

TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

AGENDA - July 14, 2014

MEETING - Council Chambers , Civic Centre

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COUNCIL MEETING

(Session No. 112) 6:45 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.

- 1.1 Call to Order
- 1.2 Prayer
- 1.3 Non-agenda items identified to be considered later in this meeting
- 1.4 Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof.

Delegations/Deputations:

- 2.1 Public Meeting re: 357/358 Applications for Tax Adjustment re: 252 Sixth Street East (2013 and 2014). 4 - 10
- 2.2 Presentation of the Moffat Family Fund - Winnipeg Foundation 2014 Grant Allocations:
 - 1) 908 Rainy Lake Air Cadet Squadron;
 - 2) Sunny Cove Camp Advisory Committee;
 - 3) OPP Youth Foundation;
 - 4) Confederation college - Summer Youth Camps;
 - 5) Salvation Army;
 - 6) Boundary Waters Dragon Boat Club;
 - 7) Friends for Kids Sports;
 - 8) United Native Friendship Centre;
 - 9) 144 Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps. - Fort Frances;
 - 10) Loaves and Fishes (New Beginning Fellowship).

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Approval of Committee of the Whole Minutes: *

5.1 Sessions No. 139 and 140 dated June 23rd and 27th, 2014.	
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Resolutions from tonight's Committee meeting

By-Laws:

7.1 By-Law 27/14 A By-Law to approve the 16-lot subdivision on property previously occupied by the Huffman School; to establish, dedicate and name the public highway within the said subdivision and to declare the lots within the subdivision as surplus to the needs of the municipality and provide for the disposition thereof.	31 - 40
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*** Previously distributed to Council**

**** Items can be viewed by contacting the Clerk**



**ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE DIVISION
TREASURY REPORT 2014/67**

TO: Mayor Avis & Members of Council
FROM: Laurie Witherspoon, Treasurer
DATE: July 8, 2014
SUBJECT: 357/358 Applications for Tax Adjustment
 Re: 252 Sixth Street E. (2013 & 2014) Roll # 5912-010-007-08200-0000

BACKGROUND

Attached are the 357/358 Application for reconsideration of assessment and adjustment of 2013 and 2014 taxes for 252 Sixth Street E. resulting from change of use from Commercial to Residential effective from December 2, 2013 to December 31, 2014.

The Municipality may object to the applications for the above referenced properties filed under Section 39.1 of the *Assessment Act*. In accordance with Section 357 (5) of the *Municipal Act* on or before September 30 of the year following the year in respect of which the application was made, council shall hold a meeting at which the applicants may make presentations to council.

Section 357 (5) (b) of the *Municipal Act* states that the Municipality must notify the applicant(s) of the meeting by mail sent 14 days before the meeting. Notice of Hearing to consider these Section 357/358 applications for 2013 and 2014 was mailed to the applicant on June 30, 2014 indicating notification that the public hearing is scheduled for Monday, July 14, 2014.

RECOMMENDATION

The Administration & Finance Executive Committee recommends that Council approve the adjustment of 2013 and 2014 taxes under Section 357/358 of the *Municipal Act* for 252 Sixth Street East property located in Fort Frances.

Council Approval of This Report Will Agree to the recommendation of the Administration and Finance Executive Committee to approve the adjustment of 2013 and 2014 taxes under Section 357/358 of the *Municipal Act* for 252 Sixth Street East located in Fort Frances.

2014 WRITE-OFFS/TAX ACCOUNT ADJUSTMENTS

Batch #	Year Affected	Roll #	Assessment Change	RTC/RTQ	Municipal Rate	School Rate	Municipal Amount	English Public	English Separate	French Public	French Separate	No Sup School	Capping Adjust	Penalty/ Interest	BIA	TOTAL
30 Days	Dec 2/13	1.7.08200	-27,000	CT	0.03307687	0.01260	-73.40					-27.96				-101.37
	Dec 2/13	1.7.08200	27,000	RTEP	0.01670548	0.00212	37.07	4.70								41.78
							-36.33	4.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	-27.96	0.00	0.00	0.00	-59.59
357 Application																
357 Application	2014	1.7.08200	-27,000	CT	0.03341874	0.01220	-902.31					-329.40				-1,231.71
	2014	1.7.08200	27,000	RTEP	0.01687815	0.00203	455.71	54.81								510.52
							-446.60	54.81	0.00	0.00	0.00	-329.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	-721.19
357 Application																

Administration & Finance Division
Civic Centre

Operations & Facilities Division
Fifth Street & Wright Avenue
Phone: 807-274-9893
Fax: 807-274-7360

Civic Centre
320 Portage Avenue
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Fax: 807-274-8479
email: town@fort-frances.com



AGENDA ITEM #2.1
Planning & Development Division
Civic Centre

Community Services Division
740 Scott Street P9A 1H8
Phone: 807-274-4561

Mailing Address:
320 Portage Avenue
Fort Frances, Ontario
P9A 3P9

www.fort-frances.com

June 30, 2014

Wade Friesen
533 Elm Ave.,
Fort Frances, Ontario
P9A 3J3

Dear Mr. Friesen


Re: Hearing to Consider Section 357/358 Applications

Please be advised that a public hearing has been scheduled for immediately following the Committee of the Whole Meeting of Council on Monday, July 14, 2014 in the Council Chambers located at the Civic Centre, 320 Portage Avenue, Fort Frances. The Committee of the Whole begins at 5:30 p.m.

The Council of the Town of Fort Frances will be conducting the hearing to consider Section 357/358 Applications, including the application with regard to the property located at 252 Sixth Street E. in the Town of Fort Frances for a garage demolition.

The hearing will give you the opportunity to speak to the application (copy of applications enclosed) if you should so desire.

Sincerely,


Laurie A. Witherspoon, CMO
Treasurer

Enc.

SECTION 357/358 APPLICATION

TO THE COUNCIL OR THE ASSESSMENT REVIEW BOARD

Application/Appeal #

Taxation Year:

2013

Municipality:

Town of Fort Frances

Roll Number:

59.12.010-007-08200

Property Address:

252 Sixth St E

Applicant Name:

Wade Friesen

Owner Name:

Wade Friesen

Contact Number:

807-75-5083

Mailing Address:

40533 Elm Avenue
F.F. ON P4A 3J3

Alternative Num:

Reason for Application: (Check one box only)



Ceases to be liable for tax at rate it was taxed - 357(1)(a)



Sickness or extreme poverty - 357(1)(d.1)



Became exempt - 357(1)(c)



Mobile unit removed - 357(1)(e)



Razed by fire, demolition or otherwise - 357(1)(d)(i)



Gross or manifest clerical/factual error - 357(1)(f)



Damaged and substantially unusable - 357(1)(d)(ii)



Repairs/Reno's preventing normal use (m/n. 3 months) - 357(1)(g)

Details of Reason:

No longer operating CT portion of building
converting all of the building to RTD

Effective from:
(MM/DD/YY)

12.02.13 to 12.31.13

Applicant Signature:

[Signature]

Date:
(MM/DD/YY)

12.04.13

ASSESSMENT REPORT:

MUNICIPALITY

ASSESSOR

Assessment Roll
As Returned

Revised Since
Roll Return
Enter Revisions Below

Assessment Report

School Bd:

☐ Eng

☐ Fr

☐ Other

☐ No Change in Assessment

☐ S357 Required for Next Year

RTC/RTQ

2005
Base-year
CVA

2008
Base-year
CVA

Current
Phased
Assessment

Revised
RTC/RTQ

Revised 2005
Base-year
CVA

Revised 2008
Base-year
CVA

Revised
Current Phased
Assessment

Change to
Current Phased
Assessment

Revised:

Reason for Change (Assessor Comments):

Reason Original Assessment Revised:

Assessor Name:

Signature:

Date:

TREASURER'S REPORT ON TAX LIABILITY

RTC/RTQ

Taxable Assessment/Reduction

Tax Rate

Days/ Months

Tax Adjustment

Original Levy

CT

- 27,000

0.04567687

30

-101.37

RT

27,000

0.01882548

30

41.78

Recommended:



No Adjustment



Adjustment



Cancellation



Refund

Total Amount

\$ 59.59

Comments:

Tax Class Change

Treasury Position:

Treasurer

Signature:

[Signature]

Date:

06/30/14

COUNCIL OR ASSESSMENT REVIEW BOARD DECISION:

Hearing Date (MM/DD/YY):

07/14/14

☐ Approved

☐ Amended & Approved

☐ Not Approved

☐ Applicant Did Not Appear

☐ Application Abandoned

Reason:

Appeared for Applicant

Appeared for Municipality

Signature of Council/ARB Member

Name/Title

2012-00005

Application made under Sec 357/358/359 of the Municipal Act, 2001

MPAC'S RESPONSE

Taxing Authority:	Fort Frances	Application #:	6300513
Roll #:	5912 010 007 082 00	Application Reason:	sec 357 (1)(d)(i)
Address:	252 Sixth St E	Tax Year:	2013
Claimed Relief Period:		From	2-Dec To 31-Dec

(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(I)	(J)
Property Class	2012 CVA as returned or most recently revised for taxation year noted in application	2013 Phased-In Amount as returned or most recently revised	CVA as revised (Sec 40 or Sec 39.1) if applicable OR after the correction of a factual error. (CVA)	Notional Value of Structure damaged, demolished, razed or removed OR undergoing repairs or renovations (CVA)	Notional Value of Property (land and any remaining bldgs.) after damage, demolition, razing or removal OR undergoing repairs or renovations (CVA)	Assessment			
						2008 CVA	2012 CVA	2013 Phased-In Value Attributed to Value in (H)	2012 Assmt (same as 2008 CVA)
From:								0	0
CT	27,000					31,500	27,000	27,000	31,500
RT	21,000					24,500	21,000	21,000	24,500
								0	0
To:								0	0
RT						56,000	48,000	48,000	56,000
								0	0
								0	0

MPAC's Remarks:

Property not used for business purposes effective December 2, 2013.

Factor Methodology

Shown below is the CVA and classification that would have been returned for the taxation year of the application in order to reflect the physical circumstances and use set out in the application provided that those circumstances had existed at roll return.

Property Class	2008 CVA	2012 CVA	2013 Phased-In Value	2012 Assmt (same as 2008 CVA)	Factor Methodology Applied
			0	0	
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			0	0	
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SECTION 357/358 APPLICATION

TO THE COUNCIL OR THE ASSESSMENT REVIEW BOARD

AGENDA ITEM #

Application/Appeal #

Taxation Year: 2014

Municipality: Town of Fort Bragg Roll Number: 59-12-010-007-082-00
 Property Address: 252 W. Main St Applicant Name: Wade Friesen
 Owner Name: Wade Friesen Contact Number: 807-275-5683
 Mailing Address: 40533 Elm Ave Alternative Num: _____
P.O. Box 373

Reason for Application: (Check one box only)

☒ Ceases to be liable for tax at rate it was taxed - 357(1)(a) ☐ Sickness or extreme poverty - 357(1)(d.1)
☐ Became exempt - 357(1)(c) ☐ Mobile unit removed - 357(1)(e)
☐ Razed by fire, demolition or otherwise - 357(1)(d)(i) ☐ Gross or manifest clerical/factual error - 357(1)(f)
☐ Damaged and substantially unusable - 357(1)(d)(ii) ☐ Repairs/Reno's preventing normal use (min. 3 months) - 357(1)(g)

Details of Reason: No longer operating CT portion of building
Converting all of the building to RT

Effective from: 01/01/14 to 12/31/14 Applicant Signature: [Signature] Date: 12-04-13
 (MM/DD/YY) (MM/DD/YY)

ASSESSMENT REPORT: MUNICIPALITY				ASSESSOR				
Assessment Roll As Returned		Revised Since Roll Return <input type="checkbox"/>		Assessment Report School Bd: <input type="checkbox"/> Eng <input type="checkbox"/> Fr <input type="checkbox"/> Other				
		Enter Revisions Below		<input type="checkbox"/> No Change in Assessment <input type="checkbox"/> S357 Required for Next Year				
RTC/RTQ	2005 Base-year CVA	2008 Base-year CVA	Current Phased Assessment	Revised RTC/RTQ	Revised 2005 Base-year CVA	Revised 2008 Base-year CVA	Revised Current Phased Assessment	Change to Current Phased Assessment
CT		31,500	27,000	RT		52,000	48,000	48,000
RT		24,500	21,000					
Revised:				Reason for Change (Assessor Comments):				
Reason Original Assessment Revised:								

Assessor Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

TREASURER'S REPORT ON TAX LIABILITY						
RTC/RTQ	Taxable Assessment Reduction	Tax Rate	Days	Months	Tax Adjustment	Original Levy
CT	- 27,000	0.4561874	365		- 1231.71	
RT	27,000	0.1890815	365		510.52	

Recommended: ☐ No Adjustment ☒ Adjustment ☐ Cancellation ☐ Refund Total Amount: \$721.19

Comments: Tax class change

Treasury Position: Treasurer Signature: [Signature] Date: 06/30/14

COUNCIL OR ASSESSMENT REVIEW BOARD DECISION: Hearing Date (MM/DD/YY): 07/14/14

☐ Approved ☐ Amended & Approved ☐ Not Approved ☐ Applicant Did Not Appear ☐ Application Abandoned

Reason: _____

Appeared for Applicant: _____ Appeared for Municipality: _____

Signature of Council/ARB Member: _____ Name/Title: _____

442:2014-00001

AGENDA ITEM #2.1

**Application made under Sec 357/358/359 of the Municipal Act, 2001
MPAC'S RESPONSE**

Taxing Authority:	Town of Fort Frances	Application #:	6300513
Roll #:	5912 010 007 08200	Application Reason:	357 (1)(a) Ceases to be liable for tax at rate taxed
Address:	252 Sixth St E	Tax Year:	2014
Claimed Relief Period:		From	01-Jan To 31-Dec

(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(I)	(J)
Property Class	2012 CVA as returned or most recently revised for taxation year noted in application	2014 Phased-In Amount as returned or most recently revised	CVA as revised (Sec 40 or Sec 39.1) if applicable OR after the correction of a factual error (CVA)	Notional Value of Structure damaged, demolished, razed or removed OR undergoing repairs or renovations (CVA)	Notional Value of Property (land and any remaining bldgs.) after damage, demolition, razing or removal OR undergoing repairs or renovations (CVA)	Assessment			
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CT	27,000	27,000				31,500	27,000	27,000	27,000
RT	21,000	21,000				24,500	21,000	21,000	21,000
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TO								0	0
RT						56,000	48,000	48,000	48,000
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MPAC's Remarks:

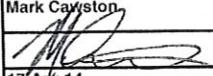
MPAC has inspected the property on April 17/14. MPAC has determined that the property is no longer being used for business purposes.

Factor Methodology

Shown below is the CVA and classification that would have been returned for the taxation year of the application in order to reflect the physical circumstances and use set out in the application provided that those circumstances had existed at roll return.

Property Class	2008 CVA	2012 CVA	2014 Phased-In Value	2013 Phased-In Value	Factor Methodology Applied
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			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	

MPAC Representative Name:
MPAC Representative Signature:
Date:

Mark Cayston

17-Apr-14



REPORT TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: K.M. Lawson
SUBJECT: Town of Fort Frances
Council Meeting - Monday, July 14, 2014
Consent Agenda Items

1. Items referred from Committee of the Whole:
See individual reports.
2. Request dated July 8, 2014 from Northwestern Health Unit re: Active Transportation and Safety – One-Road Bike Lane Along Colonization Road West.
 - will be referred to Planning and Development Executive Committee for recommendation with input from Operations and Facilities Executive Committee and Traffic Safety Committee.
3. Request dated July 2, 2014 from the Royal Canadian Legion, Fort Frances Branch 29 re: Waiving Fees for Use of Townshend Theatre – September 10, 2014.
 - will be referred to Administration and Finance Executive Committee for recommendation.
4. Request from the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa re: Power Dam Special Payment Program – Ontario Budget.
 - will be referred to Administration and Finance Executive Committee for recommendation.

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July 10, 2014





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396 Scott St.
Fort Frances, ON
P9A 1G9



July 8, 2014

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

Dear Mayor and Council:

RE: Active transportation and safety- on-road bike lane along Colonization Road W.

A recent local meeting and the July 3rd article 'Bike lanes eyed for west-end road' in the Fort Frances Times have brought attention to safety concerns faced by pedestrians and cyclists, including children and families using Colonization Road W.

The Northwestern Health Unit, along with concerned parents and other local stakeholders would like to work with the Town to improve safety and active transportation for all users along this well-travelled road.

We acknowledge the fiscal restraints the Town is currently experiencing and would like to work together to find solutions at little or no cost to the Town. We would like to propose the following to Town Council and its applicable Planning and Executive Committees:

1. **An on-road bike path running along both sides of Colonization Road W. between Oakwood Ave and Biddison Road:** Based on our local Active Transportation Plan and discussions with municipal staff/councilors, this path is approximately 3200 lm. Based on with final estimates from the Town, we will work to secure funds for paint, signage, markings and any other municipal/provincial requirements for an on-road bike path.
2. **In-kind support from the Town:** If we can secure funds for project materials, we would like to ask if the Town is able to provide in-kind services including staff labour/time for marking and painting as well as town equipment to complete painting for the on-road bike path.
3. **On-street parking bylaw amendment:** We would like to request an amendment to current parking bylaw and request no on-street parking between 7am and 9pm. Several people have monitored parking along the route and on-street parking seems to be minimal in this area, so we don't anticipate this will negatively impact local residents.

Other initiatives associated with project: There is work underway with other stakeholders (OPP, Police Services Board, local school, coalitions and residents) to install the OPP speed sign to increase awareness about speed and safety along this corridor. We are also exploring the possibility of implementing a local bike train or walking school bus to encourage more children to walk and bike to school along safe routes.

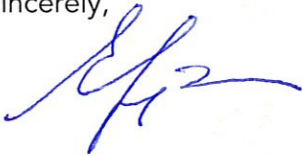
Project timelines and approval: If it is possible for Town staff, we are hoping to work with staff and councilors to seek appropriate approvals, and, ideally, have the project completed for the new school year in September.

Over the last several years, several local coalitions, municipal staff and stakeholders have worked on improving pedestrian safety and active transportation opportunities in Fort Frances. We applaud the Town of Fort Frances staff and council, key stakeholders, media partners and volunteers for their ongoing support related to active and safe routes.

We will continue to work on a comprehensive approach that will ensure that the best design and safety features are in place to create a supportive environment where it will be easier for all populations to be safe and active.

If you require further information, please contact me at 274-9827 ext. 3638 or efischer@nwhu.on.ca. We look forward to discussing this exciting project with the Town.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'EF2', is written over the word 'Sincerely,'.

Elaine Fischer
Health Promoter

Dear Town Council,

The reason why we need a bike lane is because for our safety. Cars go really fast on the road and we want to stay as far away from the cars as we can.

Another reason for the lane is for our health. If you are not healthy, you will spend a lot of your time inside and at the doctor's office.

The last reason is so that we can bike to school. When you bike to school you stay healthy and you can talk and hang with your friends while staying safe.

Sincerely,

Kade Oster



FORT FRANCES BRANCH 29, MANITOBA AND NORTHWESTERN
ONTARIO COMMAND

AGENDA ITEM #3.4

The Royal Canadian Legion
Box 819, 250 Church Street
Fort Frances, ON
P9A 3N1

Office Phone 807-274-0129 Lounge Phone 807-274-5462
Kitchen Phone 807-274-3772 Fax # 807-274-6740



Comrade Norris Piccinato
PRESIDENT

Jennifer Soderholm
OFFICE MANAGER

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

July 2, 2014

Honoured Mayor and Council:

As you may be aware, 2014 marks the 100 year anniversary of the beginning of World War 1 and the 75th anniversary of the beginning of World War 2. It is because of the sacrifice made and still being made by our brave Canadian Soldiers that each and every one of us is able to live in a country full of hope and possibilities.

In honour of such important events in our history, the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #29 along with the Royal Canadian Legion Ladies Auxiliary Branch #29 and the Fort Frances Museum & Cultural Centre will be spending the months of September through November not only promoting the act of Remembrance for these two events but honouring those individuals from our community and surrounding areas for their courage and willingness to serve and sacrifice for our freedom.

We have had the good fortune to be able to book the "Soldiers of Song" touring group known as "The Dumbells" to do a special performance for our community on September 10th, 2014. The Dumbells' origin can be traced back to World War 1 where lucky soldiers who could sing a song, preform a skit or pass as a "lady," were taken from the line and put onstage for the benefit of their soldier-audiences. The intent was to bolster morale and thereby help soldiers survive the war. It is well known that the Dumbells have inspired the likes of Wayne and Shuster and Monty Python. The group also managed a run in London's West End and became the first ever Canadian production to score a hit on Broadway. To accommodate the performers and to provide

a venue that will allow for the maximum amount of seating so that everyone wishing to attend has the opportunity we have booked the Townsend Theatre.

As times are difficult in our community with the recent closing of the local mill and the flooding we hope that this performance will once again bolster morale as well as help honour and remember those special men and women from our area who have or are serving. We are therefore asking you to consider donating the use of the Townsend Theatre for the evening and possibly waiving the \$1.50 charge for each person attending the performance.

Each and every one of us, do not have to look very far back in our own family tree to find someone special who was/is willing to lay their life on the line to uphold everything that we as Canadians value. It is very easy to take for granted our way of life and to down play the value of our history. As more and more of our veterans are passing away the importance of those events are forgotten, lost or only found in a history book rarely brought out.

We thank you in advance for your time and willingness to consider our request and we hope to see each and every one of you at the performance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Noris Piccinato', with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke at the end.

Noris Piccinato
President
Royal Canadian Legion Branch #29

NP/jls



Chris Wray
<cwrap@wawa.cc>
07/07/2014 06:54 PM

To "Allison Holtzhauer (aholtzhauer@gretermadawaska.com)"
<aholtzhauer@gretermadawaska.com>, "Andrew Goldie
(agoldie@centrewellington.ca)"
"mmantha-co@ndp.on.ca" <mmantha-co@ndp.on.ca>,
cc "lynn.buckham@ontario.ca" <lynn.buckham@ontario.ca>,
"King, David (MAH)" <David.King@ontario.ca>, "Kathy
bcc
Subject Power Dam Special Payment Program - Ontario Budget

Dear Colleagues:

There are some communities across the Province of Ontario that are looking forward to the adoption of the current Provincial Budget; many more are not. Many communities are struggling with aspects of the current budget such as the accelerated cuts to the OMPF program, the unknown aspects of a new OPP billing model and questions about funding for aging infrastructure. If you are receiving this email it is because your community is also subject to a cut in the Power Dam Special Payment Program.

The proposed clawback of this program should be alarming for many communities. Implemented in 2001, the program was put in place to replace the taxation revenues associated with hydro-electrical plants, poles and wires when these properties were deemed exempt. In the case of the Municipality of Wawa, this meant that 47% of our property assessment base was declared exempt – can you imagine a change of this magnitude happening to your community?

We have attached a brief excerpt from the Provincial Budget document, yet somehow this does not do justice to the ramifications of the proposal. The following are few additional thoughts:

1. The program is very small (\$18.7 million in 2014) when compared the multi-billion annual budget yet the impact of the clawback is large for many of the communities.
2. Payments range from \$158 (0.002% own purpose taxation) to \$2,350,908 (66.512% own purpose taxation). These payments are significant contributions to the revenue base of many participating communities.
3. The program represents property that was previously taxable assessment. The right to tax the subject properties was removed in 2001.
4. The previous property taxation model was replaced with a gross receipts model wherein payments are now submitted to the Province of Ontario. The Province of Ontario has refused to release the amounts of these payments.
5. Since 2001, the payments have not kept pace with either inflation or the property taxation rates in any community. This has resulted in an unfair shift to the remaining assessment base.
6. Payments to MPAC still reflect a calculation that uses the now exempt assessment. Communities therefore pay MPAC for the assessment of property that is no longer assessed.

7. ARB cases that may have existed prior to 2001 would require taxation refunds from their remaining property assessment.
8. The only way for participating communities to recapture the subject revenue would be through a taxation increase to the remaining assessment. Alternatively, services could also be cut to compensate for the loss in revenue.
9. The clawback of this program affects 110 communities across the Province, many in a very significant way.
10. There is nothing that is fair or manageable about the reduction in this program.

Should the Province proceed ahead with this clawback, Wawa will be unable to meet financial obligations. Many services will need to be eliminated or reduced or a property taxation levy increase of 12.6% will need to be implemented. Either way, it is our ratepayers that lose.

Given the above, Wawa is prepared to host or co-host, in a central location, a joint meeting of interested and concerned communities to discuss how to best approach this matter before it is too late. To that end, we would appreciate hearing from you by way of return email (to this email address). If you require more information or wish to discuss this matter, you can call the following:

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We look forward to hearing from you as soon as practicable.

Best Regards,

Linda Nowicki
Mayor

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Power Dam Special Payment Program

The Province provides a special annual payment to municipalities hosting hydro-electric generating stations (power dams). Through this program, the Province has been providing municipalities with funding that reflects the amount of property tax revenue that each municipality received from these stations prior to 2001, when the stations became exempt from property taxation.

In 2013, the Province advised municipalities that this program would be reviewed as part of a broader examination to ensure government programs meet their policy objectives, while taking into account the government's ongoing effort to make responsible spending choices. Pending the outcome of the review, the Province committed to maintain a stable level of funding to municipalities under this program for the 2013 and 2014 taxation years.

As a result of the Province's review, and in the context of the government's commitment to continue to manage spending, the program will be phasing down to \$14.3 million by 2017.

**TABLE 1.10 Power Dam Special Payment Program Annual Funding
(\$ Millions)**

	2014	2015	2016	2017
Annual Payments to Municipalities	18.7	18.1	16.8	14.3

The Province will work with municipalities on ways to implement the phase-down in a manner that is fair and manageable.



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Attention: The Honourable Kathleen Wynne - Premier

July 3, 2014

Dear Premier Wynne:

Re: Update – Municipality of Wawa

I am so pleased that you are enjoying your Flood Mud mug. I ask that you pour yourself a mug of your favourite beverage while you consider the new dilemma faced by Mr. Sanders and his fellow Wawaites.

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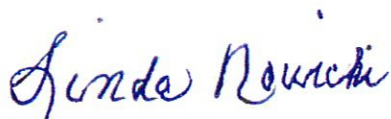
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On behalf of the Municipality of Wawa, congratulations of your recent re-election and appointment as Minister of Finance.

You may recall that during Wawa's disastrous rainfall and flooding in October 2012, our local potter, Jim Sanders, lost everything when the waters rose and his home and shop ended up in a deep gorge that was, prior to the flood, his driveway. With the assistance of the ODRAP fund, Mr. Sanders was able to relocate to a new home and re-establish his business.

Somehow, in the confusion of the above noted events, Mr. Sanders was able to return to his destroyed home, gather some of the mud and clay that now filled his living room and create a line of pottery he calls "Flood Mud". To that end, we are enclosing for you, a Flood Mud Mug designed by Mr. Sanders. I ask that you pour yourself a mug of your favourite beverage and consider the new dilemma faced by Mr. Sanders and his fellow Wawaitees.

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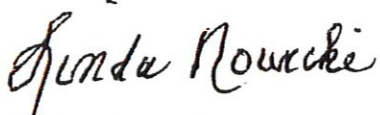
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Subject RE: Power Dam Special Payment Program - Ontario Budget

Hello Linda.

You tell me where and when you want to meet and I will be there.

We too are in the same situation.

In 2001, when the right to tax the subject properties was removed, our Clerk-treasurer and myself wrote the premier and finance minister at the time and told them if we lost all such revenue, then we would drive down to Queen's Park, put the keys to our Township Hall on their desks and they could try running our municipality without this revenue.

As you note, we did receive a form of continued payments, but as you also note, they have never reflected the real assessed value of these properties and they have never kept up with the costs of running the municipalities they are located in.

Thank you for offering to take the lead on this very important issue. Look forward to hearing more.

Take care,

Peter Murphy

Mayor of Mattawan Township

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Good morning folks,

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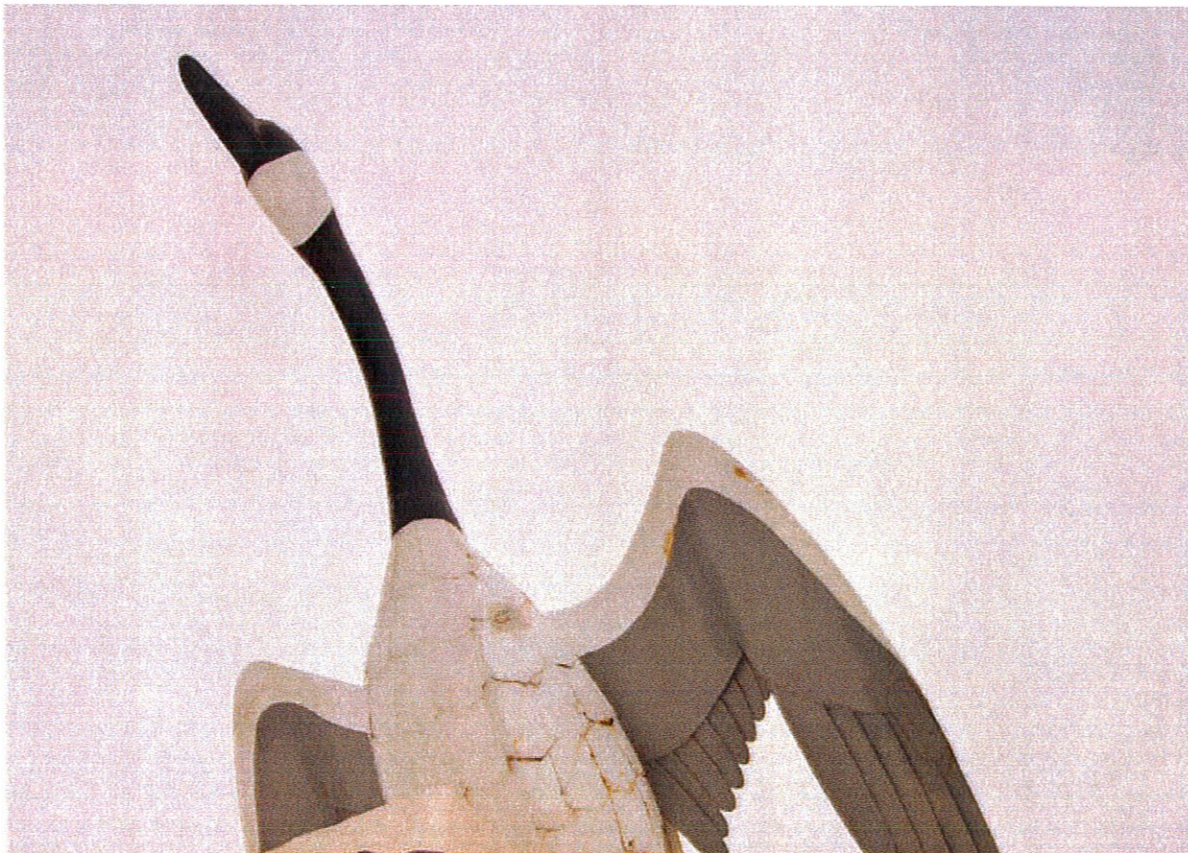
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Proposal in provincial budget to cut payments to replace revenue municipality had collected from taxing power dams



By Jeffrey Ougler, Sault Star
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WAWA - Clawbacks proposed in the latest provincial budget to compulsory municipal payments could "cripple" Wawa's coffers, charges the community's mayor.

Linda Nowicki said Tuesday the grant, presented in the early 2000s to replace revenue the municipality had collected from taxing power dams, could be sliced by 23%.

"We can't afford it," Nowicki told The Sault Star Tuesday afternoon. "We just can't afford it."

A letter outlining Wawa's concerns was slated to be delivered to Finance Minister Charles Sousa, along with a host of other Ontario cabinet ministers and officials, later in the day by Algoma-Manitoulin MPP Michael Mantha.

The issue stems back to 2001, when the province stripped Wawa, more than 200 kilometres north of Sault Ste. Marie, of the power to tax power dams in its municipality. The resulting legislative change crippled the town by removing 48% of its assessment base from property taxation. Instead, the province offered an annual grant fixed at the amount of property taxes collected in 2000 from power dams.

"It's one thing not to subsidize us, it's another to take the money out of our pockets," Nowicki said.

"When you look at what we send to the province in stumpage fees, when you look at what the province gets for the water going over the power dams and, in turn, they took away the actual taxation of the power dams from us, are you being fair to Northern Ontario?"

"And if you think we all should move to a city, who is going to cut the trees for your hardwood floors and your toilet paper? You're going to miss us if we're not living up here."

The budget proposes a clawback of some \$899,000 over the next four years, then approximately \$548,000 for every year thereafter, all on an annual payment of about \$2.4 million, the amount received in 2013.

Nowicki said in order to compensate for this loss, the municipality must hike its municipal property tax levy by 12.6%, notwithstanding planned dips to Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund payments and a declining assessment base.

"Wawa cannot afford to raise taxes enough nor cut enough to cover the 12% loss that this would result in," said Nowicki, echoing recent comments from former mayor Howard Whent.

"We would have to increase taxes 12%, plus cuts."

And it's not like payments to Wawa have always been on time.

In 2012, the community feared it would have to take out a bank loan to compensate for the shortfall, about 29% of its main revenues, while waiting for the province to pony up.

Prior to the 2001 changes, the owner of the power dams, Great Lakes Power (now Brookfield Renewable Energy), "always" paid its property tax bills on time, Wawa officials said in 2012. They said although a number of other Ontario municipalities were affected by the 2001 decision — including Sault Ste. Marie — none was hit as hard as Wawa, as most other such areas contain small dams, and the Sault has just one.

"We're certainly getting the short end of the stick there, like many communities, in that the uploads aren't equivalent to the downloads," Nowicki said. "They downloaded all of these programs to us and they said, 'OK, we're going to decrease the OMPF funds, but it means that your obligations to those are not equal.' They're taking our money away faster than the downloads are going back up."

Coupled with this most recent headache, the municipality contends that despite provincial assistance to help mend the aftermath of major flooding in October 2012 that washed away cars, homes and huge chunks of the Trans-Canada Highway, Wawa is more than \$800,000 short in repairing damages, mostly due to the cost of replacing two bridges. The remainder of Wawa's infrastructure is also in "desperate need of attention" with its "most pressing need" being a \$1.3-million sewage system revamp.

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The mayor anticipates a mine start-up over the next couple of years and there's "bound to be" an aggregate operation "if we can just hold on."

"But when the province keeps taking away from us, how are we supposed to survive?" Nowicki said.

Diversification, especially tapping into the area's natural gifts, is attractive, but not necessarily feasible at the moment, she added.

"Ecotourists don't spend as much as (traditional) tourists used to, buying supplies and doing everything," Nowicki said, and following Elliot Lake's example of rebranding itself a prime retirement community is easier said than done.

That municipality, east of Sault Ste. Marie, boasted ample affordable housing, the mayor said.

"And we don't have that same stock of housing that they did," said Nowicki, adding Manitouwadge, 378 kilometres north-west of Sault Ste. Marie, was another small, Northern community blessed by such infrastructure advantages when it came time to diversify.

"The mining company there owned 200 homes and they started giving them away," she said.

"A home that would cost you half a million dollars in Toronto, you could go up there and buy it for \$40,000."

Most Wawa homes are occupied, and the only ones that aren't are those that have "gone back to the bank and are beyond repair."

"We don't have the housing stock that people want because we didn't have construction for 25 years," Nowicki said. "People didn't want to move there, and when they did move there, there was someone else moving out with a house for them to buy."

"I've always said we have such a beautiful lake with a spot, a municipality, that overlooks the lake. If we could only put something on there, yes it would keep some of our seniors who don't want to be mowing grass and looking after lawns anymore."

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(Being a By-Law to approve the 16-lot subdivision on property previously occupied by the Huffman School; to establish, dedicate and name the public highway within the said subdivision; and to declare the lots within the subdivision as surplus to the needs of the municipality and provide for the disposition thereof.)

WHEREAS section 51 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER P.13, as amended, gives authority to the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Fort Frances to approve subdivisions and on May 13, 2013 the Council approved draft Plan of Subdivision for a 16-lot subdivision on that part of Block C on SM-112 now designated as parts 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 on plan 48R-4374 ("Subdivision");

AND WHEREAS section 31(2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001 c. 25, as amended, requires a municipality by by-law to establish a highway and is it deemed expedient and in the interest of the Town of Fort Frances to dedicate certain lands in the Subdivision as a public highway and assign the name of "Huffman Court" to the cul-de-sac roadway constructed within the Subdivision;

AND WHEREAS on May 27, 2013, Council of the Corporation of the Town of Fort Frances approved the sale price of each lots within the subdivision as contained in report of the Municipal Planner dated May 24, 2013;

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

1. That the draft Plan of Subdivision on that part of Block C on Plan SM-112 designated as parts 1 to 5 on plan 48R-4374 as prepared by J. D. Barnes dated April 17, 2014 as attached to and forming part of this by-law as Schedule A be and is hereby approved;
2. That the lands identified on attached Schedule A as "Huffman Court" be and is hereby dedicated as a public highway;
3. That the property contained within the Subdivision be and is hereby declared surplus to the needs of the municipality and is approved for sale at the prices as established below and as per Agreement of Purchase and Sale attached as Schedule B to and forming part of this by-law:

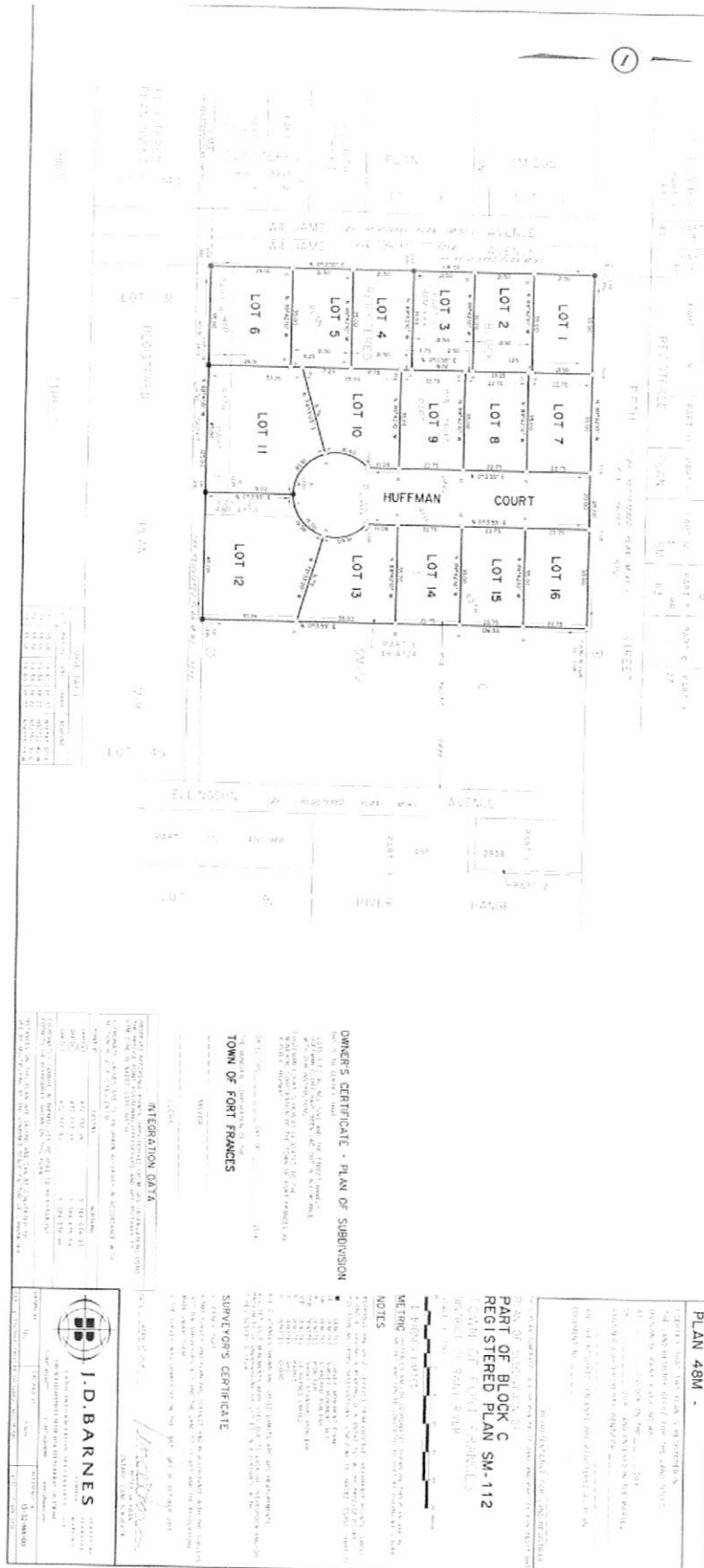
Lot 1 - \$ 39,900	Lot 9 - \$ 41,500
Lot 2 - \$ 39,900	Lot 10 - \$ 49,500
Lot 3 - \$ 39,900	Lot 11 - \$ 65,000
Lot 4 - \$ 39,900	Lot 12 - \$ 65,000
Lot 5 - \$ 39,900	Lot 13 - \$ 49,500
Lot 6 - \$ 45,500	Lot 14 - \$ 41,500
Lot 7 - \$ 41,500	Lot 15 - \$ 41,500
Lot 8 - \$ 41,500	Lot 16 - \$ 41,500

4. That the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and instructed to perform all acts and to take such steps and execute such documents under the seal of the Corporation as may be necessary to effect to the foregoing.
5. That this By-Law shall come into force and take effect when the Plan Document and this by-Law are registered in the Office of the Land Registrar;

READ THREE TIMES and finally passed in open Council this 14th day of July 2014.

MAYOR

CLERK



Agreement of Purchase and Sale

This Agreement of Purchase and Sale dated this day of, 20.....

BUYER,, agrees to purchase from
(Full legal names of all Buyers)

SELLER, THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF FORT FRANCES (the "Seller" or the "Town")....., the following **REAL PROPERTY:**

Address

fronting on the side of

in the **TOWN OF FORT FRANCES**

and having a frontage of more or less by a depth of more or less

and legally described as

..... (the "property").
(Legal description of land including easements not described elsewhere)

PURCHASE PRICE:

.....Dollars (CDN\$)

DEPOSIT: Buyer submits.....
(Herewith/Upon Acceptance/as otherwise described in this Agreement)

.....Dollars (CDN\$).....

TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

by negotiable cheque payable to "Deposit Holder" to be held in trust pending completion or other termination of this Agreement and to be credited toward the Purchase Price on completion. For the purposes of this Agreement, "Upon Acceptance" shall mean that the Buyer is required to deliver the deposit to the Deposit Holder within 24 hours of the acceptance of this Agreement. The parties to this Agreement hereby acknowledge that, unless otherwise provided for in this Agreement, the Deposit Holder shall place the deposit in trust in the Deposit Holder's non-interest bearing Trust Account and no interest shall be earned, received or paid on the deposit.

Buyer agrees to pay the balance of the Purchase Price to the Seller on the completion date subject to any increase or decrease by virtue of adjustments (if any).

SCHEDULE(S) **A** attached hereto form(s) part of this Agreement.

1. **IRREVOCABILITY:** This offer shall be irrevocable by..... until.....on
(Seller/Buyer)
the day of, 20....., after which time, if not accepted, this offer shall be null and void and the deposit shall be returned to the Buyer in full without interest.

2. **COMPLETION DATE:** This Agreement shall be completed by no later than 6:00 p.m. on the day of, 20..... (the "completion date" or the "closing date"). Upon completion, vacant possession of the property shall be given to the Buyer unless otherwise provided for in this Agreement.

INITIALS OF BUYER(S):



INITIALS OF SELLER(S):



3. **NOTICES:** The Seller hereby appoints the Listing Brokerage as agent for the Seller for the purpose of giving and receiving notices pursuant to this Agreement. Where a Brokerage (Buyer's Brokerage) has entered into a representation agreement with the Buyer, the Buyer hereby appoints the Buyer's Brokerage as agent for the purpose of giving and receiving notices pursuant to this Agreement. **Where a Brokerage represents both the Seller and the Buyer (multiple representation), the Brokerage shall not be appointed or authorized to be agent for either the Buyer or the Seller for the purpose of giving and receiving notices.** Any notice relating hereto or provided for herein shall be in writing. In addition to any provision contained herein and in any Schedule hereto, this offer, any counter-offer, notice of acceptance thereof or any notice to be given or received pursuant to this Agreement or any Schedule hereto (any of them, "Document") shall be deemed given and received when delivered personally or hand delivered to the Address for Service provided in the Acknowledgement below, or where a facsimile number or email address is provided herein, when transmitted electronically to that facsimile number or email address, respectively, in which case, the signature(s) of the party (parties) shall be deemed to be original.

Fax No.: 807-274-8479 Fax No.:
(For delivery of Documents to Seller) (For delivery of Documents to Buyer)

Email Address: flatt@fort-frances.com Email Address:
(For delivery of Documents to Seller) (For delivery of Documents to Buyer)

4. **CHATELS INCLUDED:**

Unless otherwise stated in this Agreement or any Schedule hereto, Seller agrees to convey all fixtures and chattels included in the Purchase Price free from all liens, encumbrances or claims affecting the said fixtures and chattels.

5. **FIXTURES EXCLUDED:**

6. **RENTAL ITEMS:** The following equipment is rented and **not** included in the Purchase Price. The Buyer agrees to assume the rental contract(s), if assumable:

7. **HST:** If the sale of the property (Real Property as described above) is subject to Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) then such tax shall be **in addition to** the Purchase Price. If the sale of the property is not subject to HST, Seller agrees to certify on or before closing that the sale of the property is not subject to HST. Any HST on chattels, if applicable, is not included in the Purchase Price.

8. **TITLE SEARCH:** Buyer shall be allowed until 6:00 p.m. on the day of, 20..... (Requisition Date) to examine the title to the property at Buyer's own expense and until the earlier of: (i) thirty days from the later of the Requisition Date or the date on which the conditions in this Agreement are fulfilled or otherwise waived or; (ii) five days prior to completion, to satisfy Buyer that there are no outstanding work orders or deficiency notices affecting the property, that its present use (.....) may be lawfully continued and that the principal building may be insured against risk of fire. Seller hereby consents to the municipality or other governmental agencies releasing to Buyer details of all outstanding work orders and deficiency notices affecting the property, and Seller agrees to execute and deliver such further authorizations in this regard as Buyer may reasonably require.

9. **FUTURE USE:** Seller and Buyer agree that there is no representation or warranty of any kind that the future intended use of the property by Buyer is or will be lawful except as may be specifically provided for in this Agreement.

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10. **TITLE:** Provided that the title to the property is good and free from all registered restrictions, charges, liens, and encumbrances except as otherwise specifically provided in this Agreement and save and except for (a) any registered restrictions or covenants that run with the land providing that such are complied with; (b) any registered municipal agreements and registered agreements with publicly regulated utilities providing such have been complied with, or security has been posted to ensure compliance and completion, as evidenced by a letter from the relevant municipality or regulated utility; (c) any minor easements for the supply of domestic utility or telephone services to the property or adjacent properties; and (d) any easements for drainage, storm or sanitary sewers, public utility lines, telephone lines, cable television lines or other services which do not materially affect the use of the property. If within the specified times referred to in paragraph 8 any valid objection to title or to any outstanding work order or deficiency notice, or to the fact the said present use may not lawfully be continued, or that the principal building may not be insured against risk of fire is made in writing to Seller and which Seller is unable or unwilling to remove, remedy or satisfy or obtain insurance save and except against risk of fire in favour of the Buyer and any mortgagee (with all related costs at the expense of the Seller), and which Buyer will not waive, this Agreement notwithstanding any intermediate acts or negotiations in respect of such objections, shall be at an end and all monies paid shall be returned without interest or deduction and Seller, Listing Brokerage and Co-operating Brokerage shall not be liable for any costs or damages. Save as to any valid objection so made by such day and except for any objection going to the root of the title, Buyer shall be conclusively deemed to have accepted Seller's title to the property.
11. **CLOSING ARRANGEMENTS:** Where each of the Seller and Buyer retain a lawyer to complete the Agreement of Purchase and Sale of the property, and where the transaction will be completed by electronic registration pursuant to Part III of the Land Registration Reform Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter L.4 and the Electronic Registration Act, S.O. 1991, Chapter 44, and any amendments thereto, the Seller and Buyer acknowledge and agree that the exchange of closing funds, non-registrable documents and other items (the "Requisite Deliveries") and the release thereof to the Seller and Buyer will (a) not occur at the same time as the registration of the transfer/deed (and any other documents intended to be registered in connection with the completion of this transaction) and (b) be subject to conditions whereby the lawyer(s) receiving any of the Requisite Deliveries will be required to hold same in trust and not release same except in accordance with the terms of a document registration agreement between the said lawyers. The Seller and Buyer irrevocably instruct the said lawyers to be bound by the document registration agreement which is recommended from time to time by the Law Society of Upper Canada. Unless otherwise agreed to by the lawyers, such exchange of the Requisite Deliveries will occur in the applicable Land Titles Office or such other location agreeable to both lawyers.
12. **DOCUMENTS AND DISCHARGE:** Buyer shall not call for the production of any title deed, abstract, survey or other evidence of title to the property except such as are in the possession or control of Seller. If requested by Buyer, Seller will deliver any sketch or survey of the property within Seller's control to Buyer as soon as possible and prior to the Requisition Date. If a discharge of any Charge/Mortgage held by a corporation incorporated pursuant to the Trust and Loan Companies Act (Canada), Chartered Bank, Trust Company, Credit Union, Caisse Populaire or Insurance Company and which is not to be assumed by Buyer on completion, is not available in registrable form on completion, Buyer agrees to accept Seller's lawyer's personal undertaking to obtain, out of the closing funds, a discharge in registrable form and to register same, or cause same to be registered, on title within a reasonable period of time after completion, provided that on or before completion Seller shall provide to Buyer a mortgage statement prepared by the mortgagee setting out the balance required to obtain the discharge, and, where a real-time electronic cleared funds transfer system is not being used, a direction executed by Seller directing payment to the mortgagee of the amount required to obtain the discharge out of the balance due on completion.
13. **INSPECTION:** Buyer acknowledges having had the opportunity to inspect the property and understands that upon acceptance of this offer there shall be a binding agreement of purchase and sale between Buyer and Seller. **The Buyer acknowledges having the opportunity to include a requirement for a property inspection report in this Agreement and agrees that except as may be specifically provided for in this Agreement, the Buyer will not be obtaining a property inspection or property inspection report regarding the property.**

INITIALS OF BUYER(S):



INITIALS OF SELLER(S):



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14. **INSURANCE:** All buildings on the property and all other things being purchased shall be and remain until completion at the risk of Seller. Pending completion, Seller shall hold all insurance policies, if any, and the proceeds thereof in trust for the parties as their interests may appear and in the event of substantial damage, Buyer may either terminate this Agreement and have all monies paid returned without interest or deduction or else take the proceeds of any insurance and complete the purchase. No insurance shall be transferred on completion. If Seller is taking back a Charge/Mortgage, or Buyer is assuming a Charge/Mortgage, Buyer shall supply Seller with reasonable evidence of adequate insurance to protect Seller's or other mortgagee's interest on completion.
15. **PLANNING ACT:** This Agreement shall be effective to create an interest in the property only if Seller complies with the subdivision control provisions of the Planning Act by completion and Seller covenants to proceed diligently at Seller's expense to obtain any necessary consent by completion.
16. **DOCUMENT PREPARATION:** The Transfer/Deed shall, save for the Land Transfer Tax Affidavit, be prepared in registrable form at the expense of Seller, and any Charge/Mortgage to be given back by the Buyer to Seller at the expense of the Buyer. If requested by Buyer, Seller covenants that the Transfer/Deed to be delivered on completion shall contain the statements contemplated by Section 50(22) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990 and any amendments thereto.
17. **RESIDENCY:** Buyer shall be credited towards the Purchase Price with the amount, if any, necessary for Buyer to pay to the Minister of National Revenue to satisfy Buyer's liability in respect of tax payable by Seller under the non-residency provisions of the Income Tax Act by reason of this sale. Buyer shall not claim such credit if Seller delivers on completion the prescribed certificate or a statutory declaration that Seller is not then a non-resident of Canada.
18. **ADJUSTMENTS:** Any rents, mortgage interest, realty taxes including local improvement rates and unmetered public or private utility charges and unmetered cost of fuel, as applicable, shall be apportioned and allowed to the day of completion, the day of completion itself to be apportioned to Buyer.
19. **PROPERTY ASSESSMENT:** The Buyer and Seller hereby acknowledge that the Province of Ontario has implemented current value assessment and properties may be re-assessed on an annual basis. The Buyer and Seller agree that no claim will be made against the Buyer or Seller, or any Brokerage, Broker or Salesperson, for any changes in property tax as a result of a re-assessment of the property, save and except any property taxes that accrued prior to the completion of this transaction.
20. **TIME LIMITS:** Time shall in all respects be of the essence hereof provided that the time for doing or completing of any matter provided for herein may be extended or abridged by an agreement in writing signed by Seller and Buyer or by their respective lawyers who may be specifically authorized in that regard.
21. **TENDER:** Any tender of documents or money hereunder may be made upon Seller or Buyer or their respective lawyers on the day set for completion. Money shall be tendered with funds drawn on a lawyer's trust account in the form of a bank draft, certified cheque or wire transfer using the Large Value Transfer System.
22. **FAMILY LAW ACT:** Seller warrants that spousal consent is not necessary to this transaction under the provisions of the Family Law Act, R.S.O. 1990 and any amendments thereto unless Seller's spouse has executed the consent hereinafter provided.
23. **UFFI:** Seller represents and warrants to Buyer that during the time Seller has owned the property, Seller has not caused any building on the property to be insulated with insulation containing ureaformaldehyde, and that to the best of Seller's knowledge no building on the property contains or has ever contained insulation that contains ureaformaldehyde. This warranty shall survive and not merge on the completion of this transaction, and if the building is part of a multiple unit building, this warranty shall only apply to that part of the building which is the subject of this transaction.
24. **LEGAL, ACCOUNTING AND ENVIRONMENTAL ADVICE:** The parties acknowledge that any information provided by the brokerage is not legal, tax or environmental advice.

INITIALS OF BUYER(S):



INITIALS OF SELLER(S):



25. **CONSUMER REPORTS:** The Buyer is hereby notified that a consumer report containing credit and/or personal information may be referred to in connection with this transaction.
26. **AGREEMENT IN WRITING:** If there is conflict or discrepancy between any provision added to this Agreement (including any Schedule attached hereto) and any provision in the standard pre-set portion hereof, the added provision shall supersede the standard pre-set provision to the extent of such conflict or discrepancy. This Agreement including any Schedule attached hereto, shall constitute the entire Agreement between Buyer and Seller. There is no representation, warranty, collateral agreement or condition, which affects this Agreement other than as expressed herein. For the purposes of this Agreement, Seller means vendor and Buyer means purchaser. This Agreement shall be read with all changes of gender or number required by the context.
27. **TIME AND DATE:** Any reference to a time and date in this Agreement shall mean the time and date where the property is located.
28. **SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS:** The heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns of the undersigned are bound by the terms herein.

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal:

in the presence of:

_____	_____	☼ DATE _____
(Witness)	(Buyer)	(Seal)
_____	_____	☼ DATE _____
(Witness)	(Buyer)	(Seal)

I, the Undersigned Seller, agree to the above offer. I hereby irrevocably instruct my lawyer to pay directly to the brokerage(s) with whom I have agreed to pay commission, the unpaid balance of the commission together with applicable Harmonized Sales Tax (and any other taxes as may hereafter be applicable), from the proceeds of the sale prior to any payment to the undersigned on completion, as advised by the brokerage(s) to my lawyer.

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal:
in the presence of:

The Corporation of the Town of Fort Frances

_____	per: _____	☼ DATE _____
(Witness)	R. Avis, Mayor	(Seal)
_____	per: _____	☼ DATE _____
(Witness)	G. W. Treftlin, Clerk	(Seal)

We have authority to bind the corporation.

CONFIRMATION OF ACCEPTANCE: Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, I confirm this Agreement with all changes both typed and written was finally accepted by all parties at a.m./p.m. this day of, 20.....

(Signature of Seller or Buyer)

INITIALS OF BUYER(S):



INITIALS OF SELLER(S):



INFORMATION ON BROKERAGE(S)

Listing Brokerage

Phone Fax

Co-operating/Buyer Brokerage

Phone Fax

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I acknowledge receipt of my signed copy of this accepted Agreement of Purchase and Sale and I authorize the Brokerage to forward a copy to my lawyer.

..... DATE
(Seller)

..... DATE
(Seller)

Address for Service:

.....Phone

Seller's Lawyer

Address

.....
Phone Fax

I acknowledge receipt of my signed copy of this accepted Agreement of Purchase and Sale and I authorize the Brokerage to forward a copy to my lawyer.

..... DATE
(Buyer)

..... DATE
(Buyer)

Address for Service:

.....Phone

Buyer's Lawyer

Address.....

.....
Phone Fax

INITIALS OF BUYER(S):



INITIALS OF SELLER(S):



Schedule A Agreement of Purchase and Sale

This Schedule is attached to and forms part of the Agreement of Purchase and Sale between:

BUYER,, and

SELLER, **THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF FORT FRANCES**

for the purchase and sale of

Agreement of Purchase and Sale dated

1. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Agreement, the Buyer shall:
 - a. remove and deposit, or cause to be removed and deposited, to and at a location on or adjacent to the development area as may be directed by the Town, all excavated earth material of and from the property considered by the Town to be excess and not required to bring the grade of the property to the grade set or established by the Town;
 - b. on or before a date which is 5 years from the completion date, complete the construction, in and on the property, of a single family detached residential dwelling (the "Single Family Dwelling"), and:
 - i. be in receipt of an Occupancy Permit, issued by the Town pursuant to Section 1.1.3 of O' Reg. 350/06 of the Ontario Building Code; and
 - ii. which Single Family Dwelling shall otherwise comply with the minimum size and other requirements of the Town's zoning bylaw; and
2. If the Buyer fails to fulfill the Buyer's obligations as set out in paragraph 1(b) of this Schedule A, then, notwithstanding the transfer of the property to the Buyer or otherwise, and in addition to any other rights and/or remedies of or available to the Town and whether by law, statute, equity, or otherwise, it is understood and agreed that the Buyer shall, within 90 days of receiving notice from the Town to do so, transfer ("Transfer"), at no cost or expense to the Town, the property to the Town free and clear of all registered charges, liens and encumbrances whatsoever except for any charges or encumbrances registered by or in favour of the Town.

The Buyer and the Town agree that no monies whatsoever shall or need be paid by the Town to the Buyer for or in respect of such Transfer of the property to the Town, whether because of any work and/or improvements and/or otherwise (collectively referred to as "Improvements") done or made by the Buyer or anyone else in or to the property or otherwise. Neither any Improvements nor any cost or expense therefor and/or otherwise shall be nor need be paid and/or reimbursed by the Town to the Buyer or otherwise; all Improvements shall be forfeited to, and be and become the property of the Town upon the Transfer of the property to the Town without any compensation or otherwise for or in respect thereof to the Buyer and/or anyone else.

3. The covenants contained herein shall run with the property, and bind the property and the Buyer for the benefit of the lands and premises of the Town.

INITIALS OF BUYER(S):

INITIALS OF SELLER(S):

4. It is covenanted and agreed by and between the parties that, notwithstanding anything contained in this Agreement, any and all conditions, covenants, agreements, and otherwise of the Buyer contained in this Agreement (including, without limitation, in Schedule A, and/or in any documents to be delivered by the Buyer on closing), shall not merge in the closing of the purchase and sale transaction contemplated herein, nor in the conveyance of ownership of the property by the Seller, but shall remain in full force and effect subsequent to the completion date.

This page must be initialed by all parties to the Agreement of Purchase and Sale.

INITIALS OF BUYER(S):



INITIALS OF SELLER(S):



AMO Registration Form

AMO AGM and Annual Conference | August 17 - 20, 2014 | London, Ontario

AGENDA ITEM #8.1

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Please send completed form to AMO Events via fax 416.971.9372 | via e-mail events@amo.on.ca
via mail to 200 University Avenue, Suite 801, Toronto, ON., M5H 3C6 or register online at www.amo.on.ca

REGISTRANT INFORMATION

Name:

Title:

Municipality/Organization:

Full Mailing address:

Phone: ()

Fax: ()

E-mail:

☐ This is my first time attending the AMO Conference

Dietary needs:

Other needs (mobility, special requirements etc...):

REGISTRATION FEES (FEES IN BRACKETS INCLUDE HST)

Registration Type	AMO Member and Supporter Rates (Rate ends Aug 15)	Non Member Rates (Rate ends Aug 15)
<input type="checkbox"/> Full with Social Evening Ticket	\$720 (\$813.60)	\$920 (\$1039.60)
<input type="checkbox"/> Full, No Social Evening Ticket	\$655 (\$740.15)	\$820 (\$926.60)
<input type="checkbox"/> One Day: Mon Aug 18	\$365 (\$412.45)	\$490 (\$553.70)
<input type="checkbox"/> One Day: Tues Aug 19	\$365 (\$412.45)	\$490 (\$553.70)
<input type="checkbox"/> Half Day: Wed Aug 20	\$205 (\$231.65)	\$245 (\$276.85)
<input type="checkbox"/> Extra Tuesday Evening Social Tickets	\$75 (\$84.75)	\$75 (\$84.75)

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Registration Fee including HST	\$
_____ extra Tuesday evening social tickets	\$
TOTAL to be remitted	\$

PAYMENT METHOD

- ☐ Invoice me (only available to Ontario Municipalities)
- ☐ Cheque payable to Association of Municipalities of Ontario
- ☐ Credit Card please complete details below.

CAUCUS VOTING (AMO MEMBERS ONLY)

The AMO By-Law directs that each delegate who is an elected municipal official and an AMO member municipality is eligible to vote. It is up to each elected municipal official to indicate which caucus best represents his or her interests. Assignment of the Monday Lunch is also based on the identified caucus. You MUST declare a caucus when submitting this conference registration form.

July 18, 2014 is the last date for changing Caucus. After July 18, 2014 changes to a declared Caucus are not permitted.

Please indicate which caucus you wish to participate in:

- ☐ County ☐ Large Urban ☐ Northern ☐ Regional/Single Tier
- ☐ Rural ☐ Small Urban

PLAN YOUR MONDAY AFTERNOON.

As indicated there are three options for educational learning in the afternoon of Monday, August 18.

Will you be attending:

- ☐ A concurrent session
- ☐ One of the Study Tours
- ☐ One of the Out Trips (dinner included, \$45 + HST)

If you and your companion wish to attend a study tour or out trip please complete the Tours and Trips Registration form.

Cancellation Policy: Cancellations must be made in writing before July 11, 2014. An administration charge of \$70.00 plus HST (\$79.10) will apply. Any cancellations made after July 11, 2014, will not be refunded.

By completing this registration form you are providing the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) with consent to send information on all activities related to current and future AMO AGM's and Annual Conferences. If you wish to no longer receive information from AMO on this program please contact events@amo.on.ca to unsubscribe.

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT

Please note a 5% (plus HST) administration fee will be applied to all credit card transactions.

☐ MasterCard ☐ Visa

Credit Card #

Expiry /

Name on Card:

Signature:



FORT FRANCES BRANCH 29, MANITOBA AND NORTHWESTERN
ONTARIO COMMAND

The Royal Canadian Legion
Box 819, 250 Church Street
Fort Frances, ON
P9A 3N1

Office Phone 807-274-0129 Lounge Phone 807-274-5462
Kitchen Phone 807-274-3772 Fax # 807-274-6740



AGENDA ITEM #8.2

Comrade Norris Piccinato
PRESIDENT

Jennifer Soderholm
OFFICE MANAGER

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

July 2, 2014

Honoured Mayor and Council:

2014 marks the 100th anniversary since the start of WWI and the 75th anniversary since the start of WWII. Although no reason to celebrate, it serves as a reminder of the atrocities of war, and provides an opportunity to remember those who served. The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 29 and the Women's Auxiliary are partnering with the Fort Frances Museum on a fall exhibit that will focus on local individuals who played a part, whether involved personally or as a result of the war effort.

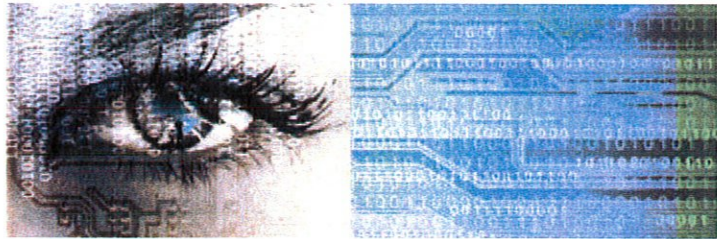
In conjunction with the exhibit, a number of activities are being planned: a writing contest for youth; a performance by the 'Dumbells', an act geared to families and seniors; and a wine and cheese reception that will open the exhibit. We're asking council to declare our evening, planned for Thursday, September 18th, a municipally significant event. We feel the exhibit will be an important one for our community, and that an evening reception will properly advertise its opening and underline the exhibit's significance.

Looking forward to hearing back from you.

Sincerely,

Members of
Royal Canadian Legion Branch 29,
Royal Canadian Legion Ladies Auxiliary
Fort Frances Museum & Cultural Centre

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July 3, 2014

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- VoterLookup: increase elector awareness.
- Career opportunities with OPS, Chatham-Kent PU, and Nickel District CA.

AMO Matters

Premier Wynne will speak on Tuesday afternoon, just before the Ministers' Forum. Reminder that [Ministerial Delegation requests](#) from municipal government delegates to the AMO conference are being accepted by MMAH no later than Friday, July 11th. [Conference registration information](#) is available on the AMO website.

Provincial Matters

Today's Throne Speech will set the Government's agenda. There are 20 Ministers in Cabinet with portfolios relating to municipal governments and AMO has shared with them our municipal priorities. AMO's August Conference will be the first opportunity for the sector to meet many of the Ministers.

Updated distribution maps for fish and mussel species at risk in Ontario have been posted on Conservation Ontario's [website](#) to help municipalities in screening proposed development projects. These maps are valid for use until May 2015. [Feedback](#) to DFO is welcomed.

Federal Matters

Canadian Transportation Minister Lisa Raitt has [announced](#) new rules to require wider adoption of rail safety management systems; standards for new DOT 111 cars; and data reporting requirements for railways.

Eye on AMO/LAS Events

The AMO Conference is providing delegates the opportunity to explore parts of SW Ontario through [Study Tours and Out Trips](#) at this year's event. Trips and Tours will look at economic development, heritage, urban forestry, and more. Discover what AMO has to offer and register today.

The AMO Conference [Program at a Glance](#) is now available online and on the AMOmobile app. Get the details on plenary & concurrent sessions, study tours & out trips, the exhibit hall and more. Discover what AMO has to offer and register today.

LAS

Members of the LAS Natural Gas Program will receive a \$1 million rebate in July, while also benefitting from rates that are 25% lower than utility rates. Learn more about the [benefits of this program](#).

Municipal Matters*

The Municipal Property Assessment Corporation's [VoterLookup.ca](#) is an online service that allows

potential electors to confirm and update their information. Municipalities are requested to increase VoterLookup.ca awareness using the [communications toolkit](#).

Career Opportunities

Legislation and Policy Analyst - Ontario Public Service. Location: Ministry of Finance, Toronto. Please [apply online](#), by July 14, 2014, entering Job ID 66917 in the Job ID search field and following the instructions to submit your application.

Engineering Technologist (AM/FM) - Chatham-Kent Public Utilities Commission. Location: Water & Wastewater Services. Applications must be received before 4:30 p.m., Friday, July 18, 2014: Municipality of Chatham-Kent, Attn: Cathy J.E. Hoffman, Director, Human Resources & Organizational Development. Fax: 519.436.3237. Email: Ckresume@chatham-kent.ca

General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer - Nickel District Conservation Authority (NDCA). Applications must be received by 12 noon, Thursday, July 31, 2014. Please submit by mail to Mark Signoretti, Vice-Chair, Nickel District Conservation Authority, or by email: ndca@sudbury.ca.

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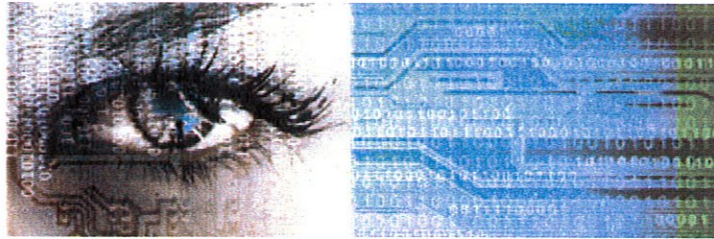


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July 10, 2014

In This Issue

- Provincial budget will be re-introduced.
- Municipal suppliers - capture your target audience this August.
- Explore SW Ontario through Study Tours and Out Trips.
- Hot Topics at AMO Annual Conference.
- Access industry expertise and lower rates with LAS Group Benefits Program.
- Career opportunities with OPS, Nipissing DSSAB, Guelph and Grey County.

Provincial Matters

The provincial budget to be re-introduced on Monday, July 14, 2014. An AMO members' update will follow its re-introduction.

Eye on AMO/LAS Events

Are you a municipal supplier or vendor? Do you have a product or service that would benefit the municipal sector? Then register today for the AMO Annual Conference Exhibit Hall. One of the largest municipal trade shows in Canada, this is one show you can not afford to miss. Download the exhibitor application today. 90% sold out, space is limited!

The AMO Conference is providing delegates the opportunity to explore parts of SW Ontario through Study Tours and Out Trips at this year's event. Trips and Tours will look at economic development, heritage, urban forestry, and more. Discover what AMO has to offer and register today.

Continuing with AMO's tradition of offering superior educational programming at the 2014 AMO Annual Conference, hot topics this year include policing, HR, infrastructure, energy and more. Visit us online and find out what's on the program and register today.

LAS

Join the 30+ Ontario municipalities that saved 12% at the time of quotation and receive over 40 years of industry experience through program partner Mosey & Mosey. Get your LAS Group Benefits quote today.

Career Opportunities

Technical Services Officer - Ontario Public Service. Location: Ministry of Transportation, Owen Sound. Please apply online only, quoting Job ID 67231, by July 23, 2014.

Chief Administrative Officer/Directeur général - District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board. Location: North Bay, Ontario. Please forward your resume and cover letter by 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 30, 2014. Please visit the Nipissing DSSAB website for more details on this position and the application process.

Manager, Development and Environmental Engineering - City of Guelph. Applications must be received online by July 28, 2014. To apply for this position, please forward your resume to careers@guelph.ca.

Chief Administrative Officer - County of Grey. Please forward your resume by 4:30 pm, Friday, August 1, 2014 to Grant McLevy, Director of Human Resources, The County of Grey; Email: grant.mclevy@grey.ca.

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Subject LAS/MFOA Asset Management Training Road Map

Think you're finished your asset management plan? For most municipalities there is still a long way to go, and we are here to help.

LAS/AMO and MFOA have developed a 'multi-year road map' that will help municipalities plan their training needs to better understand the key elements of a comprehensive asset management process, and take the next step in their asset management planning.

The goal of the LAS/MFOA 'road map' is to help municipalities develop the internal resources to make asset management more meaningful. LAS/AMO and MFOA will work with sector experts to deliver timely training for both municipal staff and elected officials, via various educational platforms, including: e-learning, webinars, and face-to-face sessions. Some content will be included as part of broader workshops or training events.

Check out the LAS/MFOA Road Map attached!

This 'road map' is intended to be a living document, and your input is important to us. Please provide us your feedback after each training session so we can continue delivering the most relevant content to you!

Are you still getting up-to-speed about Asset Management?

You can view the recorded proceedings from the March 2014 LAS/MFOA Asset Management Symposium. This event educated municipal staff and elected officials about the importance of asset management, the components of successful asset management plans, key policy considerations, and municipal case studies.

The recorded presentations are available, and the purchase details are available at: <http://www.las.on.ca/Events/Asset-Management-Symposium.aspx>

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Asset Management Course Calendar

Course legend:

- AM - courses with 100% content targeted to the Asset Management Planning process and part of the official road map for AMP.
- LAS - courses provided by LAS with ideas and concepts relevant to asset management.
- CT - courses provided by AMO through Council Training with ideas and concepts that will help in the planning process overall.

This course calendar and the accompanying roadmap are dynamic documents and will be updated and adapted to meet the needs of municipalities as they move through the process of building, implementing, evaluating and adapting their asset management plans.

Level 1 Courses

General and Foundational Courses

(AM100) Cover Your Assets

Course date:

- On-demand online course offered by LAS and presented through amo.skillbuilder.ca available August, 2014

It can be hard to know where to start. What is important? What tools or procedures are essential for building your Asset Management Plan (AMP)? Build the foundational knowledge before you delve deeper into the AMP process.

- Basic Asset Inventory
Definitions and terminology
- Componentized Asset Inventory
The details of your assets; building the data
- Data Management and Accessibility
Software and tools; managing the data
- Building the plan
Next steps

(LAS100) LAS/MFOA Investment Workshops

Course dates:

- In class sessions:
- September 11 - Brantford
- September 18 - Kingston
- October 2 - London
- October 9 - Orillia
- October 16 - Thunder Bay

Develop an understanding of the investment options available to municipalities and how to best leverage them. An overview of investment tools available to the sector; commentary and advice; training on cash flow forecasting; the Canada's Gas Tax funds investment option; and an economic update from a market expert.

Sessions will focus on investment options available to municipalities, current economic conditions, and also the need to consider asset management and your road map in all investment decision making.



(AM101) Best Practises in Asset Management

Course dates:

- Free webinar offered by MFOA and available on demand May, 2014

Make optimal use of asset management plans through best practices, increase the accuracy of the plan as well as integration with other key municipal documents and processes such as the annual budget, long-term forecast, water/wastewater rate study, and development charge study.

(AM102) AMO Roads and Bridges Study Results

Course dates:

- On-demand webinar offered by AMO, available Fall 2014

This on-demand webinar highlights the current state of roads and bridges in Ontario, as presented at the AMO Annual Conference in August 2014. Learn about the importance of road and bridge investments to a community's health and prosperity, how Gas Tax funding has helped, and the role asset management will play in sustaining key assets to support a community's future economic development. Findings are from a joint research project by AMO-Gas Tax and Public Sector Digest.

(AM103) Data and Measures

Course dates:

- On-demand online course offered by LAS and presented through amo.skillbuilder.ca available late 2014

You know what an asset is now learn how to build the plan.

- Measure the right things
- Evaluate the performance
- Basic life cycle costing
- How to do costing

Recommended:

- AM100: Cover Your Assets, or demonstrated knowledge of the concepts covered in the course.

(AM104) Asset Inventory: PSAB 3150 vs. Asset Management

Course dates:

- Course offered by MFOA
- Live session: July 17, 2014, 12:00 – 1:30 pm
- Webinar on demand available: August 2014

Assets for accounting purposes and assets for asset management - should you treat them the same? How and when do you bring assets into an asset management plan? Is the asset inventory you have for Tangible Capital Asset accounting adequate for budgeting and forecasting? Learn processes, procedures and policies for dealing with assets for accounting vs assets in an asset management plan.



(CT105) Connecting the Dots

Course dates:

- In class 1/2 day sessions offered by AMO start Spring 2015

Asset Management Elected Officials. This leadership course will examine how members of council can be a champion in their municipality for asset management planning. It will provide tools and techniques that will assist with improving the financial sustainability of councils through better ways of doing business; good practice case studies in a variety of areas including service planning; strengthening leadership and influence in order to deliver real results and details on how and why Council must be Asset Management Champions.

(CT106) Bridging Communications Channels

Course dates:

- In class 1/2 day sessions offered by AMO start Spring 2015

Want to deliver effective and efficient services to your citizens? Selling your asset management plan is important to ensure buy-in and implementation. Learn how to communicate internally and externally to:

- Increase understanding of internal communications tools
- Build communications competencies
- How to recognize, understand and communicate to different audiences (the whole generational thing)
- Challenges of cross departmental communication
- How to build cooperation, efficiency and feedback between departments
- Effective team building techniques

(AM105) The Basics of Service Delivery Levels

Course dates:

- Live/on-demand webinars offered by MFOA will be available November/December 2014

Learn how to develop an understanding of the level of service and considerations required, from both finance and engineering perspectives, including:

- Definitions
- Legislative requirements
- Roles and establishing desired levels of service
- Costs of levels of service
- Existing versus desired levels of service
- Linkages between assets and levels of service

(AM106) Refining Your Costs, Valuation and Condition

Course dates:

- 2-part course offered by MFOA, Nov 5 and 19 12-1 pm
- On-demand webinars available August, 2014

Existing PS 3150 inventories are the most likely place to start building an Asset Management Plan. Using this as your jumping point, this course will focus on the financial roots of an AMP from both finance and engineering perspectives.

- How to adjust your aged-based cost forecast
- Is condition enough?
- Condition by asset class – when, what, who?
- Risk overview
- Useful life
- Replacement costs
- Betterments
- What assets are going to get refined, how to refine them



(AM 107) Asset Management Interactive Panel Discussion - 1

Course dates:

- Live webinar offered by MFOA August 20, 2014
12 - 1:30 pm
- On demand available August 2014

Join this interactive session with a panel of experts and your colleagues to discuss and pose questions regarding your journey, both successes and challenges, in the asset management process.

Discussion Topics will focus on Best Practices in Asset Management and PSAB 3150 vs. Asset Management.

Expert Panel Includes: Dan Wilson, Watson & Associates and Craig Binning, Hemson Consulting.

(AM108) AM Strategy: Risk & Identifying Priorities

Course dates:

- Live and on demand sessions offered by MFOA
Fall 2015

This session will provide an introduction to risk management and look at cost/risk analysis to identify priorities and will show how to maintain expectations with reliability management techniques (ie: status quo, risk levels etc.)

- Criteria for priority decision making
- Actuaries and chance of failing

(AM 109) Asset Management Interactive Panel Discussion - 2

Course dates:

- Live webinar offered by MFOA available
December 3, 2014 12-1:30 pm
- On demand available January 2015

Join this interactive session with a panel of experts and your colleagues to discuss and pose questions regarding your journey, both successes and challenges, in the asset management process.

Discussion Topics will focus on Refining Your Costs, Valuation and Condition and Level of Service.

Expert Panel Includes: Dan Wilson, Watson & Associates and Craig Binning, Hemson Consulting and R.J. Burnside & Associates.



Level 2 Courses
Intermediate Level Courses

(CT200) Strategic Planning and Service Delivery Primer

Course dates:

- In class sessions offered by AMO and available Spring 2015

Building measurable objectives over the long-term and across departments can be difficult at the municipal level. Yet in today's landscape of transparency and accountability it is quickly becoming an essential part of councils' planning process. Looking at the "how to" fundamentals this course will answer what is strategy? How to formulate a successful, measurable strategic plan?

(AM200) Debt and Infrastructure Planning

Course dates:

- Course offered by MFOA in 2015

Infrastructure requires financing that allows for the maintenance of and expansion of services in all municipalities. What are the key policies and strategies for financing infrastructure in Ontario? How can municipalities effectively use reserves and debt to manage needs? What are the risks, strategies and policies that are needed for debt management in the short and long-term?



(AM201) AM Strategy: Adjusting Your Forecast & Forecast Analysis

Course dates:

- Course offered by MFOA - Live session available Winter 2015
- On demand available Spring 2015

This session will build on the learning outcomes of AM106 and will include a 'deeper dive' into each of them. It will also include bringing forecasts together into a comprehensive budget process and building on forecast cost reduction, from both finance and engineering perspectives.

- Technology
- Procurement, Shared Services, ASD, Service Migration
- How to account for an asset in 10 years' time that you can't afford
- Strategies for closing the gap on expenditure forecast
- Effective policies for uses of debt to manage short and long term needs



(AM202) Financing Strategy: Creating Funding Scenarios and Lifecycle Costing

Course dates:

- Live and on demand sessions offered by MFOA and available Fall 2015

This session will build on revenue generating strategies as part of the budget process and will discuss risk and prioritizing priorities, outline the benefits and challenges with each of the main revenue options: user fees, new fees, dedicated levies, build reserves, and Gas Tax funding.

This session will pair the important role of Life Cycle Costing (LCC) as a factor in optimal long-term decision making. Develop a better understanding of the LCC primer in the Ministry of Infrastructure (MOI) toolkit, and learn how to build this into multi-year budgets.

(AM203) Levels of Service - Advanced

Course dates:

- Webinar series offered by MFOA starting Spring 2015
- On demand available on demand

Each of these 90-minute webinars will build on the learnings of AM107 and provide specific metrics and considerations for each of the major asset classes:

1. Roads, Bridges and Fleet
2. Water, Wastewater, Stormwater and Sewage
3. Facilities and Indoor/Outdoor Recreation

Each webinar is a stand alone.

Recommended:

- AM105: The Basics of Levels of Service

(AM204) Long Term Financial Planning

Course dates:

- Three-day course offered by MFOA in 2016

Gaining buy-in for a long-term financial plan can be difficult but building the plan is necessary. Looking at Long Term Financial Planning (LFTP) from a municipal perspective learn to analyze the financial and economic environment to produce a quality forecast and good financial strategies. Learn how to gather, analyze, and present information on economic, social and technological trends that allows your municipality to be better prepared financially for the future.



Level 3 Courses Advanced Level Courses

(CT300) Influencer

Course dates:

- Course offered by AMO in Spring 2016

Learn why influence is one of the most powerful and important capacities you possess. Learn how to find and identify vital behaviours; diagnose why change seems impossible; understand abilities and motivations and develop your personal plan using the influencer model.

Registration for trainings included in this calendar can be found at www.las.on.ca and www.mfoa.on.ca

Additional resources will be made available through both sites

(AM302) Building the Plan and Keeping Momentum

Course dates:

- On-demand online course offered by LAS through amo.skillbuilder.ca available in 2015
 - Integration and implementation of all the data and reports and budgets;
 - Change planning, transition management and organizational re-structuring
 - Preparing your mission, vision, values and metrics in your plan
 - Asset whole life plan
 - Software and resources to put it all together
 - Refining investment priorities
 - Forecast adjustments
 - Policy impact
 - Performance metrics
 - Benchmarks

Recommended:

- AM courses at the 2-level and 3-level are recommended to be taken prior to this course; and/or a completed Asset Management Plan



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Subject Policy Update - Ontario Speech from the Throne Delivered
Today in the Legislature

TO THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF THE CLERK AND COUNCIL

July 3, 2014

Ontario Speech from the Throne Delivered Today in the Legislature

Today in the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, Lieutenant Governor David C. Onley delivered the Speech from the Throne laying out Premier Kathleen Wynne's priorities for government in the next legislative session. In the Speech, the Lieutenant Governor noted that the government's first priority was job creation and economic development and that it intended to re-introduce the 2014 Budget on July 14th after passage of the Throne Speech in the Legislature. Click here for [AMO's Budget analysis](#).

Government priorities of importance to municipalities are:

Infrastructure:

- Reaffirmed \$130 billion over ten years for public infrastructure investments including the \$29 billion Moving Ontario Forward plan which prioritizes:
 - \$15 billion for transit in the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Areas (GTHA) including two-way, all day GO rail expansion and;
 - \$14 billion for transportation including roads and bridges outside of the GTHA.
- Consult with local governments and communities in setting priorities for these investments.
- Creating a Ring of Fire Development Corporation to lead development of this area and \$1 billion for transportation to access the Ring of Fire.

Economic and Financial Management:

- Eliminating the deficit in three years. No increases in Harmonized Sales Tax or the Ontario Gas Tax are planned. However, the government did commit to an increase on higher wage earners in the province.
- The President of Treasury Board will have responsibility for government spending, accountability, transparency, and labour relations within Ontario Public Service and Broader Public Sector.
- A \$2.5 billion Jobs and Prosperity Fund to invest in traditional and emerging industries and regions impacted by the global recession. Industries from agribusiness, advanced manufacturing, resources, tourism, media, and culture are expected to benefit.

Accountability and Transparency:

- Will bring the *Public Sector and MPP Accountability and Transparency Act* back to the House. This legislation extends the oversight of the Provincial Ombudsman to the municipal sector.
- Noted the government would "engage with Ontarians to consider what it can do in the context of our labour and employment law regime to continue to protect workers while supporting business in today's modern economy". The 2013 Throne Speech included language which committed the government to build a sustainable model of wage negotiation that is respectful of both collective bargaining and a fair, transparent process for interest arbitration in Ontario.

Accessibility, Social Services and Community Services:

- Reiterated the commitment to make Ontario fully accessible by 2025 and will create a new Poverty Reduction Strategy, index the Ontario Child Benefit and minimum wage as well as expanding investments in housing and homelessness.
- Focus on community health and wellness with the expansion of home and community care and the implementation of its Cycling Strategy to which the Budget committed \$25 million.

Climate Change, Energy and Environment:

- The new Ministry of Environment and Climate Change will be responsible for working across government to coordinate action to reduce greenhouse gases and renew work with communities on work to adapt to climate change impacts.
- Work with other provinces and territories to create a Canadian Energy Strategy that recognizes the importance of climate change, renewable energy, and energy conservation.

AMO will continue to work with the government and all MPPs on municipal priorities and looks forward to engaging with the government.

For more information, please contact: Craig Reid, Senior Advisor, at (416) 971-9856 ext. 334 or creid@amo.on.ca.

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The 2014 Provincial Budget

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Today the Honourable Charles Sousa, Minister of Finance, delivered the 2014 Provincial Budget.

It delivers on some longstanding commitments for municipal infrastructure but also accelerates cuts to municipal operating grants delivered through the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF). Building on previous infrastructure spending announcements, key budget highlights are below.

- **Significant infrastructure investments** – The budget includes a 10 year \$130 billion commitment to infrastructure investment. The Province's matching funds to the federal Building Canada Fund is included along with the following new municipal components:
- **Public transit and transportation infrastructure** – Of the above total, \$28.9 billion over the next 10 years will be dedicated to public transit and transportation. This includes \$15 billion for the GTHA and \$13.9 billion for investments in the rest of the province. In 2014-15 this represents \$3.3 billion (\$1.7 billion in the GTHA and \$1.6 billion outside the GTHA). Further discussions on the how and when of these allocations will occur in the future.
- **A permanent infrastructure fund for roads and bridges** – The budget delivers a \$100 million annual fund for "critical projects in communities with challenging fiscal circumstances". It will include application and formula based funding for municipalities. It will move towards a fully formula-based funding model over time. No other details regarding eligibility are provided in the budget. This honours a longstanding provincial commitment.
- **Accelerated OMPF cuts for 2015** – The budget cuts operating funding to municipalities with challenging fiscal circumstances by \$35 million in 2015. This represents an unexpected funding cut of \$10 million to the communities that can least afford it and which benefitted the least from the upload. AMO had advocated for a deferral of the expected \$25 million cut. The Association is extremely surprised and disappointed with this move. It raises additional questions regarding the government's approach to OPP billing. Specifically, what does this added decrease mean when OPP billing reform policy for 2015 has not been determined?
- **Cuts to the Power Dam Special Payment Program** – Municipalities which host power dams will see \$4.4 million in cuts to these transfers over four years. Such dollars offset lost property tax revenues for these communities. Increased property taxes or service cuts should be expected in these municipalities to make up for the Province's "responsible spending choice". Was the previous honouring of this arrangement irresponsible?
- **The upload remains intact** – The Province continues to maintain the 2008 upload agreement. Its 2015 value to the sector is \$1.63 billion. The importance of this commitment to the sector as a whole is indisputable. Sector wide, municipalities have been able to redirect these dollars to increased infrastructure investments. But on a local level, the value of this upload varies considerably from one municipality to the next. That's why the OMPF is so important for municipalities with challenging fiscal circumstances.

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- **Social assistance** – ODSP and Ontario Works rate increases will be implemented this fall. Municipalities will be shielded from cost-share related increases for Ontario Works until January 2015. In addition, the Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative will benefit from the permanent addition of \$42 million starting in 2014-15. Previously this allocation was temporary.

AMO's budget analysis will continue. Further updates will be provided as required.

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Subject AMO Report to Members - Accountability Act

TO THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF THE CLERK AND COUNCIL

July 8, 2014

***Accountability Act* Introduced Today**

The Premier's commitment to introduce new rules on transparency and accountability for the Province again captures other parts of the broader public sector, including municipal governments.

In response to the Association's letter to all the party leaders during the election, the Liberal Party stated with respect to the *Accountability Act*, that: "Ontario Liberals remain committed to expanding accountability in the public sector. If we form another government, we will work with AMO and the entire Broader Public Service to identify the best ways to expand accountability and give Ontarians confidence in their public service".

AMO President Russ Powers wants the Association's membership to know that AMO is very concerned that it has not been given any opportunity to work with the government prior to the Act's reintroduction. A request for an urgent meeting has been sent to the Premier. "This government has an outstanding track record of pre-consulting and getting input and feedback, so this is an extremely surprising and disappointing situation" says the AMO President.

We have been advised that this re-introduced Bill has been amended to address another area but apparently there is no change to the municipal government section. If the Bill introduced today is identical to the one previously introduced, then:

- A municipal government must appoint a municipal Ombudsman, no matter its size and if it does not, then the Provincial Ombudsman becomes the municipal Ombudsman by default. The *Municipal Act* currently describes the function of an Ombudsman (S.223.13.(1)) as reporting to a council on an investigation of any decision or recommendation made or act done or omitted in the course of the administration of the municipality. Investigations can be triggered by individuals or by the designated Ombudsman.
- Even if there is a municipally appointed local ombudsman, the Ontario Ombudsman would have the jurisdiction to investigate complaint(s) after a municipal Ombudsman has completed and reported on a complaint of maladministration or decides a complaint has no merit and dismisses it. In practice, this means an investigation undertaken by an independent ombudsman is not necessarily the last stop. It would also permit the Ontario Ombudsman to undertake a systemic investigation where she/he believes there is a more

- universal maladministration issue than in just one municipality.
- In terms of closed meeting investigations, there is no change to the appointment of an investigator. In other words, the current default model continues such that if no one is appointed by the Council then the provincial Ombudsman has jurisdiction. However, as above for maladministration complaints, there will be an 'appeal' process to the Provincial Ombudsman.
- For those municipal governments who do not appoint and by default fall under the services of the Ontario Ombudsman, there is no ability to have a review of his/her decision. In other words, there is no ability to have the decision of the Ontario Ombudsman reviewed.
- The Bill also does not scope in anyway the review of a municipal ombudsman or closed meeting investigation.
- There is no change to the legislative function of either an ombudsman or closed meeting investigation. The law continues to require that the function of these positions be independent and impartial; to maintain confidentiality and have credible investigative processes.
- In terms of application to local boards, AMO was advised that the original Bill would not capture police services boards, library boards, boards of health, boards of long-term care and Children's Aid Societies and municipal corporations created under S. 203 of the *Municipal Act* .

This means that these entities would remain out of the jurisdiction of any closed meeting investigator or ombudsman. At the time the Ontario Ombudsman had been promoting that his Office would have jurisdiction for these boards. AMO received written confirmation in the spring from the Minister of the day that Ontario's Ombudsman would not oversee them. We assume that this has not changed; however, we do not have a copy of the Bill nor its intended regulations to ascertain this.

The additional oversight approach contained in this Bill suggests that all the closed meeting investigators – all learned professionals, including lawyers, are not trusted. Yet, there has been no evidence provided by the government that in its eyes the system is not functioning to meet the existing Acts' provisions for independence and impartiality, confidentiality and a credible investigative process.

Again, we call on the Province to engage in active discussion with us before this legislation proceeds any further.

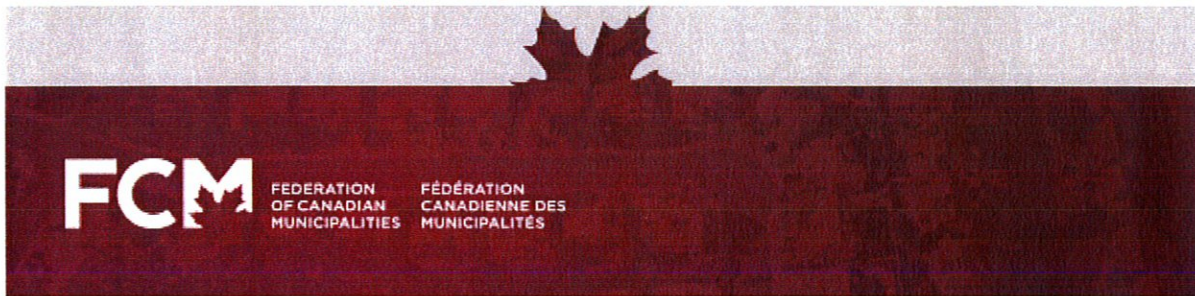
Contact: Monika Turner, Director of Policy, mturner@amo.on.ca, 416-971-9856 ext. 318.

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July 3, 2014

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Reflecting on the Lac-Mégantic tragedy

July 6, 2014, marks one year since the devastating derailment and explosion that claimed lives and caused catastrophic damage to the community of Lac-Mégantic, Québec. As Lac-Mégantic slowly rebuilds, it is with great sadness that we remember those who tragically lost their lives and recommit to our collective resolve to prevent such tragic events from happening again.

The Lac-Mégantic tragedy brought into focus the need to urgently review the rules and regulations governing rail safety and the transportation of dangerous goods in Canada, and the potential risks to all of our communities. Only ten days prior to the Lac-Mégantic tragedy, national attention was focused on the severe flooding in Alberta when a Canadian Pacific freight train carrying dangerous goods derailed on a partially collapsed bridge over the Bow River in Calgary.

FCM immediately established a National Municipal Rail Safety Working Group to identify safety gaps, propose solutions, and press the federal government and railways on areas where swift and concrete action was needed. Our work has been focused on the need to adequately equip and support municipal first responders, reduce safety risks to our communities, and to ensure our communities aren't left to shoulder emergency costs.

Since the Working Group was formed last July, we have made significant progress on these recommendations by working directly with Transport Minister Lisa Raitt, the Transportation Safety Board, and the railways. Among the key changes we have been able to influence is the requirement for all shipments of flammable liquids like crude oil and ethanol to have Emergency Response Assistance Plans. These plans, previously not required for crude oil shipments, mean that shippers are now legally responsible for assisting local first responders during emergencies by providing specialized resources like fire fighting foam and product-specific technical expertise.

We have also helped secure other tangible and significant improvements to Canada's rail safety regime. Transport Canada has established an Emergency Response Task Force that will strengthen emergency response capacity across the country, put in place new rules to require detailed risk assessments along key dangerous goods routes, and established an aggressive 3-year timeline for phasing out DOT-111 tank cars that do not meet updated safety standards.

The federal government has also committed to increase the insurance requirements for all federally regulated railways. These are important changes, with real on the ground impacts that will help make our communities safer. I am proud of the role FCM has played in this progress, and it would not have been possible without the united voice of our members.

Over the coming months, FCM and the members of the National Municipal Rail Safety Working Group will continue to advocate for additional measures to help prevent future rail disasters, improve information sharing and emergency response. On this tragic anniversary, our thoughts are with the community of Lac-Mégantic as we renew our commitment to making Canada's railway system safer for all Canadians.

Sincerely,

Brad Woodside
FCM President
Mayor, City of Fredericton

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Subject Letter from the Hon. Bob Chiarelli, Minister of Energy

Ministry of Energy

Office of the Minister

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July 4, 2014

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MEMORANDUM TO: Ontario Municipal Leaders
MEMORANDUM FROM: The Honourable Bob Chiarelli
RE: Municipal Energy Plan program

Ontario's updated Long-Term Energy Plan, [Achieving Balance](#), is committed to putting conservation first. Putting conservation first means ensuring conservation is the first resource considered before building new generation and transmission facilities, wherever cost-effective. Conservation is the cleanest and cheapest energy resource and it offers consumers a way to reduce their energy bills.

To continue our efforts to put conservation first, our government is supporting local energy planning and engaging municipalities through the **Municipal Energy Plan (MEP) program**.

I am pleased to announce that as of today, Ontario will begin accepting MEP applications on an ongoing basis for two funding streams:

- Funding Stream to Develop a New Municipal Energy Plan: Successful applicants to this stream will receive 50 per cent of eligible costs, up to a maximum of \$90,000.
- New Funding Stream to Enhance an Existing Energy Plan: Successful applicants to this stream will receive 50 per cent of eligible costs, up to a maximum of \$25,000.

Launched in 2013, the MEP program supports municipalities' efforts to better understand their local energy needs, develop plans to meet their goals, and identify opportunities for energy efficiency and clean energy. MEPs will help municipalities:

- assess the community's energy use and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions;
- identify opportunities to conserve, improve energy efficiency and reduce GHG emissions;
- consider impact of future growth and options for local clean energy generation; and
- support local economic development.

The MEP program takes an integrated approach to energy planning by aligning energy, growth, infrastructure, and land use planning. Supporting local energy planning is part of the

government's economic plan that is creating jobs for today and tomorrow. The comprehensive plan and its six priorities focus on Ontario's greatest strengths - its people and strategic partnerships.

Your staff can review the **program guidelines** and complete the **application form** at <http://www.energy.gov.on.ca/en/municipal-energy/>. If staff have any questions about the MEP program, they can email MEP@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bob Chiarelli', written in a cursive style.

Bob Chiarelli
Minister

Minister of Transport



Ministre des Transports

Ottawa, Canada K1A 0N5

JUN 24 2014

G.W. Treftlin
 Clerk
 Town of Fort Frances
 320 Portage Avenue
 Fort Frances ON P9A 3P9



Dear G.W. Treftlin:

Thank you for your correspondence regarding Canada Post. Please accept my apology for the delay in replying.

On December 11, 2013, Canada Post announced a Five-point Action Plan (www.canadapost.ca/cpo/mc/assets/pdf/aboutus/5_en.pdf), which is intended to return the corporation to financial self-sustainability by 2019 and is within the parameters of the Canadian Postal Service Charter (www.tc.gc.ca/eng/mediaroom/infosheets-canadapost-1770.htm). Canada Post is required by law to operate on a self-sustaining financial basis. I look forward to seeing progress as Canada Post rolls out its plan for an efficient, modern postal service that protects taxpayers and is aligned with the choices consumers are making.

The reality is that Canadians are increasingly choosing to communicate in ways other than sending letters. Due to the lack of demand, mail volumes have dropped almost 25% since 2008 and continue to fall. The traditional postal business model that worked so well in the pre-digital era is increasingly out of step with today's reality.

As a commercial Crown corporation that operates at arm's length from the Government, Canada Post is responsible for the management of its own operations. Therefore, I have forwarded a copy of your correspondence to Mr. Deepak Chopra, President and Chief Executive Officer of Canada Post, so that he is aware of your concerns.

Sincerely,

The Honourable Lisa Raitt, P.C., M.P.
 Minister of Transport

c.c. Mr. John Rafferty, M.P.
 Mr. Deepak Chopra



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To
cc
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Subject International Rainy-Lake of the Woods Watershed Board
Media Release

Please find attached a release from the IRLWWB concerning water levels in the Rainy River watershed.

Matthew DeWolfe, P.Eng.
Canadian Engineering Advisor
Water Levels Committee
International Rainy-Lake of the Woods Watershed Board
1-800-661-5922



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

(DATE): July 4, 2014

Contacts:

Lee Grim, (218) 240-5125

Matt DeWolfe, (800) 661-5922

Rainy River Basin Conditions Notice – Rainy Lake at Peak, Namakan Lake Declining

International Falls, MN, Fort Frances, ON — The level of Rainy Lake is close to peaking at its highest level since 1950. At the Fort Frances-International Falls dam, all fifteen spill gates have been open since June 6, and the overflow weir that spans the center of the dam began passing water last week for the first time since 1950. Although the dam has been fully opened, record high rainfall in June in Minnesota led to inflow to Rainy Lake that far exceeded the outflow capacity of the dam. As a result, Rainy Lake continued to rise throughout the month. The high water levels have caused significant damage in communities, for individual property owners, and for businesses on both sides of the border. Emergency declarations have occurred in several communities with coordinated efforts at sandbagging and other protective measures being carried out over the last few weeks by various levels of government and volunteers.

Along the Namakan chain of lakes the peak level occurred on June 18, the highest level since 1968. Many properties and businesses have been contending with flooding in this area as well. Particularly hard hit have been the lakes upstream of Namakan Lake such as Crane Lake which rose several inches higher than the main body of Namakan.

Since June 18, the level has been declining, but Namakan Lake remains 15 cm (6 in) above the emergency level defined by the International Joint Commission (IJC), known as the All Gates Open level, while Crane Lake is 25 cm (10 in) above this level. The All Gates Open level is nearly a foot higher than the top of the Rule Curve band, the target lake level range defined by the IJC for this reservoir. The dams at Squirrel Falls and Kettle Falls, the principal outlets of Namakan Lake, have been fully opened since May 16. These dams are now providing slightly more than half of the flow entering Rainy Lake, although at the peak of the inflow to Rainy Lake the dams at Namakan Lake provided roughly one-third of the flow.

Over the past week, the International Rainy-Lake of the Woods Watershed Board has received a number of inquiries as to whether there will be action taken to reduce flow out of Namakan Lake to help the level of Rainy Lake decline faster. The option of a flow reduction out of Namakan Lake requires serious consideration, as it would involve increasing risk to one area to reduce it in another. The Water Levels Committee of the International Rainy-Lake of the Woods Watershed Board, which advises the IJC on emergency conditions within Rainy River watershed, is reviewing possible options, but would like to advise the public of the facts considered in such a decision.

The surface area of Namakan Lake is much smaller than that of Rainy Lake. As a result, for every inch that would be saved on Rainy Lake by holding back water in Namakan Lake, the level of Namakan Lake would be nearly 4 inches higher.

While Namakan Lake has been declining, water is leaving the lake only slightly faster than it is flowing in. Reducing flow now would postpone the decline below the All Gates Open emergency level at a time when the Namakan chain of lakes is still at the second highest level since 1968 (2002 was slightly higher than the current level). While the short-term forecast is favorable, there is still the risk that the rest of July could see wet weather. Reducing flow from Namakan Lake now would place interests in this basin at significant additional risk for a small benefit to Rainy Lake.

If the level of Namakan Lake declines below the All Gates Open emergency level as expected later in July, the Water Levels Committee will be reviewing whether to recommend to the IJC to reduce Namakan Lake outflow until Rainy Lake has also declined below its emergency level.

The IJC has no authority over dams in the watershed other than those at the outlets of Namakan Lake and Rainy Lake. However, the Water Levels Committee has been working closely with operators of smaller upstream dams, including the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (OMNR), to determine if there is any capacity to store water safely without compromising upstream interests. OMNR has stated that its primary concern is to ensure that their dam structures are not compromised by high water levels. Since water levels remain high throughout the basin, no flow reductions are currently planned at smaller control structures. Along the Seine River system, some small flow reductions have occurred over the past couple of weeks.

The Water Levels Committee suggests that waterfront property owners and users of the system keep themselves updated on basin conditions as forecasts may change significantly through the month. Up-to-date information can be found by following the International Rainy-Lake of the Woods Watershed Board's page on the IJC website, www.ijc.org or by calling 800-661-5922.

COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT

Property: 755 Thompson St.

Date of Decision: 2 July 2014

File No.: A8/2014

Last Date for Appeal: 22 July 2014

NOTICE OF DECISION

pursuant to Section 45 of the Planning Act

TAKE NOTICE THAT at its meeting held May 21, 2014, the Fort Frances Committee of Adjustment

- ☒ approved with conditions
☐ approved without conditions
☐ did not approve

a minor variance application submitted by you or on your behalf for relief from the provisions of **section 3.2(i) of Zoning By-Law 3/14 to increase the maximum height of an accessory building in a residential zone from 4.5 metres to 5.02 metres.**

A certified copy of the Decision is attached and provides the reasons for the decision made and includes conditions imposed, if any. It is your responsibility to fulfil those conditions within the time period specified, if any and to provide written confirmation to the office of the Municipal Planner. Failure to do so will render approval null and void.

FURTHER TAKE NOTICE THAT decisions made and/or conditions imposed by the Committee of Adjustment may be appealed to the Ontario Municipal Board. The Planning Act, at Section 45(12) to 45(14) provides that a decision of the Committee becomes final and binding unless an appeal is filed within twenty (20) days of the making of the decision. Additional information can be obtained by contacting the Office of the Municipal Planner or accessing the government website at www.omb.gov.on.ca.

The last day for appealing this decision is noted above. To appeal the decision and/or conditions to the Ontario Municipal Board, send a letter outlining the reasons for the appeal together with the appeal fee of \$125.00 for each application appealed, payable by cheque payable to the Ontario Minister of Finance to:

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

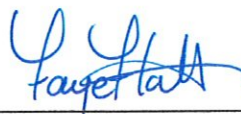
If this application was submitted in contemplation of construction and you wish to obtain a building permit prior to the expiration of the appeal period, please contact the writer for additional information.

You will be advised by letter if an appeal has been filed.

Dated this 4th day of July 2014

Copy to:

- ☒ Property Owner
☐ Agent/Owner's Solicitor
☒ Property File
☒ Council
☐ Other -



N. Faye Flatt, AMCT, ACST, CPT
Municipal Planner/Committee Secretary-Treasurer
Telephone: (807) 274-5323 (ex. 275)

**TOWN OF FORT FRANCES**

320 Portage Avenue, Fort Frances, On P9A 3P9

COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT DECISION

File No.

A 8/2014

Subject Property 755 Thompson St.	Zoning Code R1	Property Roll No. 010-002-057-00
IN THE MATTER OF Section 45 of The Planning Act for Minor Variance from the Zoning By-Law #3/14, and an application for <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> minor variance to or <input type="checkbox"/> special permission		
This is an application for relief from: 1. section 3.2.(i) to permit the construction of an accessory building 5 metres in height where to 4.5 m is permitted.		

DECISION: The Application is <input type="checkbox"/> Denied or <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved
Subject to the following Conditions: 1. That the property owner applies for a building permit within one year from the date of this decision and failing that, the application is considered null and void. <div style="text-align: right;">attached <input type="checkbox"/></div>
Reasons for Committee's Decision: 1. There were no objections to the requested variances nor the proposed construction. 2. No adverse affects have been identified nor any anticipated for either the subject land nor adjacent lands as a result of the approval of the requested variances nor of the proposed construction.

Members concurring in Decision:

Jackie Lampi-Hughes

Cindy Mason
Alan Zucchiatti

Vacant

Irene Laing
Gary Rogozinski

Vacant

NOTE – A variance is not valid unless any conditions imposed have been satisfied.



July 2, 2014

Back in November 2013, OGRA committed to offering a higher level of customer support to Municipal DataWorks (MDW). Today, OGRA is pleased to announce that the first step of upgrading the backend to SQL 2008, Microsoft Report Services (SSRS) 2008, and .NET Framework 4.0 has been completed and successfully deployed on the hosted MDW site. Future plans include the migration to SQL 2012 and User Interface enhancements.

MDW is a province wide data repository for storing infrastructure asset data. Access to MDW is provided at no cost to OGRA member municipalities and First Nations. Many third party companies have integrated their asset management solutions with MDW providing a wide range of asset management solutions to municipalities.

For more information on how your municipality can get access to MDW, please contact OGRA at info@ogra.org or by phone at 289-291-6472

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July 3rd, 2014

2014 Throne Speech Affirms Pre-Election Commitments

Significant Investments in Infrastructure, Transportation, and Public Transit

Earlier today, Lieutenant Governor David Onley presented the new Ontario government's Speech from the Throne.

The commitments outlined in the speech mirrored those found in the pre-election budget. OGRA is happy to see that the government has made it a priority to build infrastructure and a modern transportation network.

Relevant highlights include:

- \$130 billion on public infrastructure over the next decade on new hospitals, schools, undergraduate campuses, safer roads, better public transit, and all-day, two-way GO Regional Express Rail;
- \$29 billion over the next 10 years for public transit, transportation infrastructure, and other priority infrastructure projects across the province;
 - \$15 billion has been allocated for the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area; and
 - \$14 billion for the rest of Ontario;
- \$1 billion to build a road link to the remote resource-rich Ring of Fire region in Northern Ontario. This money is no longer contingent on receiving matching funds from the federal government;
- Reaffirming the commitment to making Ontario fully accessible by 2025; and
- Reintroducing the Public Sector and MPP Accountability and Transparency Act.

OGRA is pleased that the Government of Ontario will continue to address the infrastructure deficit in the province. OGRA remains hopeful that municipalities would be afforded the authority to pursue new revenue tools to address local needs. Such responsibility would reflect the fact that local governments are the most responsive, transparent order of government in Canada. OGRA will continue to advocate for this right in the future.

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COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT
Minutes of Meeting – May 21, 2014

The regular meeting of the Committee of Adjustment for the Town of Fort Frances was held in the Civic Centre Committee Room on May 21, 2014 with the following present:

G. Rogozinski (Vice-Chair), C. Mason, I. Laing, A. Zucchiatti, F. Flatt, Municipal Planner/Secretary-Treasurer, Steve Sinclair, D. Zatulsky

1. **Call to Order** – The meeting was to order at 4:30 pm with quorum confirmed.
2. **Declarations, Municipal Conflict of Interest Act** – None
3. **Minutes** - The minutes of March 17, 2014 were approved as circulated.
4. **Committee Applications**
 - a) **A5/2014 – 14 Armstrong Place** – The property owner, Steve Sinclair, was present to provide an outline and respond to questions regarding his application for relief from the provisions of sections 4.4.2(c) of Zoning By-Law 3/14 to reduce the front yard setback (south) to 6 metres and the rear yard setback (north) to 4.7 metres for an existing residential dwelling to permit the construction of an enclosed entry and enclosed patio respectively.
Decision of Committee – The application was **approved**.
Conditions – that the property owners apply for a building permit within one year from the date of this decision and failing that the requested variance will be rendered invalid.
Reasons for Decision – (1) There were no objections to the requested variances nor the proposed construction; (2) No adverse affects have been identified nor any anticipated for either the subject land nor the adjacent lands as a result of the approval of the requested variance nor of the proposed construction.
 - b) **A6/2014 – 601 King's Highway** – D. Zatulsky of Saulteaux Consultants was present as agent of the property owner to outline and respond to questions regarding an application for relief from the provisions of sections 3.17(a) and 4.14.2 (c) of Zoning By-Law 3/14 to permit the enlargement of a legal non-complying structure that would further reduce the interior side yard setback and reduce the interior side yard setback on the west side to 4.9 metres, respectively.
Decision of Committee – The application was **approved**.
Conditions – that the property owners apply for a building permit within one year from the date of this decision and failing that the requested variance will be rendered invalid.
Reasons for Decision – (1) There were no objections to the requested variances nor the proposed construction; (2) No adverse affects have been identified nor any anticipated for either the subject land nor the adjacent lands as a result of the approval of the requested variance nor of the proposed construction; and (3) The proposed addition will enlarge the area of useable space and enhance the existing use of the property for community social programs.
 - c) **A7/2014 – 418 Third St. E.** – The property owner was not present nor represented to outline an application for relief from section 4.4.2 (c) of Zoning By-Law 3/14 to reduce the interior side yard setback on the west to 1.22 metres to permit the construction of a single detached dwelling.
Decision of Committee – The application was **approved**.

Conditions – (1) that the property owners apply for a building permit within one year from the date of this decision and failing that the requested variance will be rendered invalid; and (2) that the property, which consists of lots 14 and 15 on plan SM34 and lots 33 and 34 on plan SM109 be deemed by Council not to be lots on a plan of subdivision in accordance with section 50(4) of the Planning Act.

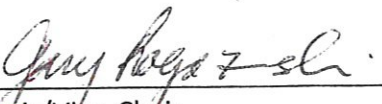
Reasons for Decision – (1) The deeming by-law will result in the 4 individual lots becoming one lot of record so that the construction proposed can traverse the 4 lot lines and be centered on the property; (2) There were no objections to the requested variances nor the proposed construction; and (3) No adverse affects have been identified nor any anticipated for either the subject land or the adjacent lands as a result of the approval of the requested variance nor of the proposed construction.

5. Council Referrals

- a) Zoning Amendment 3/14-A – (Boivin) – A recommendation will be made to Council that the application to rezone the subject land from Seasonal Residential (SR) to Residential Type One (R1) so as to permit a home occupation and to recognize the permanent residential use be approved.

6. Information

7. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 5:25 pm


Chair/Vice-Chair


Secretary-Treasurer



BOARD OF HEALTH FOR THE NORTHWESTERN HEALTH UNIT

MINUTES of the Regular Board of Health Meeting
May 29, 2014 1:30 p.m.
Kenora NWHU City View Office Boardroom

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**PRESENT:** Julie Roy, Chair  
Carol Baron, Jim Belluz, Dennis Brown, Paul Ryan, Trudy Sachowski, Sharon Smith,  
Doug Squires, Bill Thompson

**IN ATTENDANCE:**  
Dr. Kit Young Hoon, Medical Officer of Health  
Mark Perrault, CEO  
Marilyn Herbacz, Acting Manager, Human and Financial Resources  
Cindy Crandall, Executive Assistant (Recorder)  
MNP: Marty Nelson, Cathy Nelson, NWHU External Auditors

**REGRETS:** John Albanese, Shayne MacKinnon

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting Chair Julie Roy called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.  
Cathy Nelson and Marty Nelson, External Auditors; and Cindy Crandall, Executive Assistant, meeting recorder for the current meeting were introduced.

### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

#### 2.1 Addition:

4.1 Introduction of Acting Manager, Human and Financial Resources

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| <b>Motion / Resolution: 73-2014</b>                                                         |                         |
| THAT the Agenda for the Board of Health meeting dated May 29, 2014, be approved as amended. | J. Belluz<br>D. Squires |

### 3. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None was declared.

### 4. MINUTES OF BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING, April 30, 2014

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| <b>Motion / Resolution: 74-2014</b>                                                          |                        |
| THAT the Minutes of the Board of Health meeting held April 30, 2014, be approved as written. | S. Smith<br>D. Squires |



#### 4.1 Introduction of Acting Manager, Human and Financial Resources

Mark Perrault, CEO, introduced Marilyn Herbacz, Acting Manager, Human and Financial Resources. Marilyn Herbacz worked with the auditors as lead staff person on the 2013 audit.

Mr. Perrault noted that the Finance and HR department staffs share an office 'pod' and are participating in ongoing cross-training to ensure continuity of finance and HR services and processes.

### 5. PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS

#### 5.1 Medical Officer of Health Report – *Provided by Dr. Kit Young Hoon, MOH* *Reference #2014-05-29-5.1*

##### Purpose:

As the Board of Health meeting is preceded by the Do One Thing Conference, this report from the Medical Officer of Health will only review items that require a timely report. Items that require a larger discussion and can be delayed will be added to the next Board of Health meeting.

##### Update on the Middle Eastern Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus (MERS-CoV)

MERS-CoV is a virus that can cause severe pneumonia and was first detected in 2012. As of May 16, 2014, there have been 614 lab-confirmed cases of MERS-CoV globally with 181 deaths. The cases have occurred predominantly in the Middle East with some cases seen in United Kingdom, Europe, Philippines and the United States. There have been no cases in the Canada or Ontario. The two cases seen in the United States are associated with travel to Saudi Arabia. The ability of the virus to transmit from person to person is considered limited; clusters of cases have occurred within households and in health care settings.

There has been enhanced public health attention and media coverage of MERS-CoV recently due to an increase in global cases. The Emergency Committee of the World Health Organization has assessed the situation and determined that the increase is not due to an enhanced ability of the virus to transmit from person to person. The Emergency Committee was more concerned about systemic breaches of infection and control activities within health care facilities and gaps in critical information.

The role of the Northwestern Health Unit (NWHU) is to continue to monitor for cases of MERS-CoV, to assist local health providers with the testing and management of cases, to investigate for a source, to follow up on contacts of a case, to work with the other levels of government, to communicate to the public and health care providers as required, and to assist in outbreak management locally.

The public should be aware of the importance of good hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette (coughing or sneezing into your sleeve or a tissue that is then discarded) in protecting themselves and others from any respiratory infectious disease including MERS-CoV.

### Other Activities of the Medical Officer of Health

- Participation in a workshop for health care providers and allied health care professionals on prescribing exercise.
- Media interviews related to Skin Cancer Prevention (Tanning Bed) legislation
- Case consults for infectious disease and environmental health
- Addressing concerns from community partners and members of the public
- Review of medical directives
- Providing direction on public health programming
- Participation in provincial teleconferences
- Participating in the organization of a webinar on Lyme Disease targeting health care providers
- Participating in the selection process for Carl Lindstrom Bursary
- Participate in external partnership evaluations
- Supervision of a Masters of Public Health student practicum
- Assisting Public Health and Preventive Medicine medical residents in preparation for Royal College examinations.

### Comments, Discussion

Blastomycosis: Board of Health members discussed the incidence of blastomycosis in northwestern Ontario. Dr. Young Hoon noted that blastomycosis is currently not a reportable disease in the province. Data for confirmed cases cannot be finalized. There are no requirements for public health activity specific to blastomycosis in the Ontario Public Health Standards and Protocols. The Northwestern Health Unit provides information known about the disease and references for further research and information sources. In past years the Health Unit has participated in third party research.

Board members discussed a more visible role for the Health Unit in advocating for comprehensive data collection and for information dissemination. This was referred to management to prepare an appropriate strategy, for future follow-up with the Board.

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| <b>Motion / Resolution: 75-2014</b>                                        |                       |
| THAT the Report of the Medical Officer of Health be accepted as presented. | J. Belluz<br>S. Smith |

Board of Health members agreed to receive the Auditors Report of the audited 2013 financial statements at this time.

### 8. PRESENTATION OF AUDITED 2013 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Marty Nelson and Cathy Nelson, external auditors (MNP), distributed the independent auditors report: "Northwestern Health Unit Audit Findings Report" for the year ending December 31, 2013, and the draft financial statements and accompanying documentation.

At 2:05 p.m. Dr. Young Hoon, Mark Perrault, Marilyn Herbacz, and Cindy Crandall left the meeting. The auditors reviewed the management letter with Board members. At 2:15 p.m. Dr. Young Hoon, Mark Perrault, Marilyn Herbacz, and Cindy Crandall rejoined the meeting.

The auditors reviewed the draft financial statements package and the independent auditors report. Appendix A to the report, 'Draft Independent Auditors' Report' expresses the auditors' opinion that "...the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Organization as at December 31, 2013...".

The auditors expressed their appreciation for the Finance department staff's assistance during the audit process. Marilyn Herbacz, Acting Manager, Human and Financial Resources, was commended for her work in assuming the senior financial staff duties.

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| <b>Motion / Resolution: 76-2014</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                       |
| THAT the Board of Health for the Northwestern Health Unit approves the Northwestern Health Unit Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2013, and accepts the Independent Auditor's Report prepared by MNP dated May 29, 2014. | J. Belluz<br>C. Baron |

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| <b>Motion / Resolution: 77-2014</b>                                                                             |                         |
| THAT MNP be appointed as the Northwestern Health Unit's external auditor for the year ending December 31, 2014. | S. Smith<br>B. Thompson |

Marty Nelson and Cathy Nelson left the meeting at 2:45 p.m.

## 6. CORPORATE ADMINISTRATION

### 6.1 Chief Executive Officer Report - Mark Perrault, CEO

Reference #2014-05-29-6.1

#### Purpose

To inform the Board of Health of issues that have developed since the last Board of Health meeting that may have an impact on the operations of the Health Unit, but do not warrant as separate report, and of the activities of the Chief Executive Officer. This report will complement the separate finance report.

#### *Do One Thing Conference*

Conference passes have been on sale since March 28 and are close to our goal of 300. Municipal participation is lower than hoped, but virtually all of our major partners are represented. The announcement of the Ontario provincial election triggered the withdrawal of some participants who initially committed to attending.

Ticket sales for the Rick Mercer evening, Tuesday, May 27, went on sale to the public on April 15. With one week to go, we have 600 in attendance. With warmer weather now in the forecast we are hopeful that sales at the door will get us to 800. Conference attendees can secure additional tickets if they so wish when they purchase their conference pass.

We have partnered with the local Safe Grad Committee, who will be selling refreshments at the Rick Mercer event as a fundraiser.



On the second night of the Conference, Wednesday, May 28, we will be hosting a public Recognition of Service reception for Dr. Arthurs, our retired Medical Officer of Health, at the Whitecap pavilion from 5-6 p.m. Entertainment and refreshments will be provided.

### Financial Reporting

I prepare the finance report before this report, so I do want to attach to this report our Cash and Temporary Investments Report that includes an analysis of our General Bank Account Monthly Net Position. You can see that our main account for the first four full months of 2014 dips as low as \$200,000 when payroll is processed. The timing of the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care's funding transfers at the 15<sup>th</sup> and last day of the month do not neatly coincide with payroll, which is every two weeks. The concern is that we could eventually either need to cash in a short-term investment, or use our \$500,000 line of credit. I will continue to provide these two charts as an attachment to all subsequent finance reports.

### Other Activities

The remainder of my time was spent on a human resource issue and taking some personal leave.

### Comments, Discussion

Cash and Temporary Investments Report (Attachment): Adjustments to the format for this new report were identified. The process for obtaining investment options was discussed and direction was provided to management.

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| <b>Motion / Resolution: 78-2014</b>                                      |                     |
| THAT the Report of the Chief Executive Officer be accepted as presented. | C. Baron<br>P. Ryan |

### 6.2 Finance Report – provided by Mark Perrault, CEO

*Reference #2014-05-29-6.2 The report will be retained on file.*

Attachment #1, Cost Shared Mandatory & Unorganized Report to March 31, 2014, was reviewed. It was noted that revenue for the Part 8 (Sewage) program is up from the same period in 2013.

Finance department staff will receive further training in June for utilizing the accounting software and for report generation, to realize further operational efficiencies. Phase-in of the on-line purchasing process has begun, with the aim of being fully operational by year-end.

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| <b>Motion / Resolution: 79-2014</b>               |                        |
| THAT the Finance Report be accepted as presented. | D. Squires<br>C. Baron |

## **7. ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCIES (alPHa) 2014 DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD**

Chair Julie Roy informed that Board of Health member John Albanese is a recipient of alPHa's 2014 Distinguished Service Award (DSA). The Award is presented annually to individuals in recognition of their outstanding contributions made to public health in Ontario. This year, 2014, marks Mr. Albanese's 25<sup>th</sup> year of membership and participation on the Northwestern Health Unit Board of Health.

The Awards will be presented in Toronto on June 4, 2014, during alPHa's AGM and Joint Conference, June 3-5. As Mr. Albanese is unable to attend the Awards presentation, Julie Roy will accept on his behalf.

Board members' expressed congratulations will be conveyed to Mr. Albanese.

## **8. PRESENTATION OF AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

This agenda item was considered following agenda #5, Public Health Programs.

## **9. NON AGENDA ITEMS**

Agenda item 4.1: Introduction of Acting Manager, Human and Financial Resources was considered during agenda #4, Minutes of Board of Health Meeting, April 30, 2014.

## **10. NEXT MEETING DATE**

### **Next Regular Meeting**

Date: Friday, June 27, 2014 Start time: 8:30 a.m.

Location: Fort Frances NWHU Office Boardroom

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 3:35 p.m.

BOARD OF HEALTH FOR THE NORTHWESTERN HEALTH UNIT:

CONFIRMED AS WRITTEN

THIS ..... DAY OF .....2014

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MEETING CHAIR, BOARD OF HEALTH

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RECORDING SECRETARY



# TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

## Administration and Finance Executive Committee



### Minutes of Meeting No. 11

**Tuesday, June 17, 2014**

A meeting of the Administration and Finance Executive Committee was held in the Committee Room – Civic Centre on Tuesday, June 17, 2014 at 12:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillor Ken Perry, Councillor Paul Ryan, and Mayor Roy Avis

ALSO PRESENT: Mark McCaig, CAO, Laurie Witherspoon, Treasurer

REGRETS: Councillor Andrew Hallikas

Called to order 12:12 p.m.

**1. Non-Agenda:**

- i) Ontario Disaster Relief Assistance Program (ODRAP)

**2. Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof: None**

- 3. Paul Ryan – Ken Perry:** That the minutes from the previous meeting held on June 3, 2014 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED.

- 4. i) 2013 Child Care Audited Statement of Revenue & Expenses – The Committee recommended to accept the Town of Fort Frances Child Care Programs audited Statement of Revenue & Expenses for the year ended December 31, 2013 and further that the invoice for audited services be paid.
- ii) Albright Request to Purchase Portion of Back Lane – The Committee will fully discuss the purchase price following the Planning & Development decision on this matter, should the request be approved.
- iii) Community Garden Planning Committee Partnering for Funding Request – The Committee recommended that the Town of Fort Frances partner with the Fort Frances Community Garden Planning Committee for the purpose of making an application to the TD Friends of the Environment Foundation Fund to obtain a grant to improve the community garden. Further, that should the Fort Frances Community Garden Committee disband for any reason, ownership of all equipment and/or structures obtained with the supported funding received, shall become property of the Town of Fort Frances.

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**5. Outstanding Items:**

- i) Old Shambles Road – CAO/Solicitor
- ii) Couchiching Sewer and Water Agreement Signage


**6. Non-Agenda Items:**


- i) Ontario Disaster Relief Assistance Program (ODRAP) – The Committee recommended to request that the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing declare the Town of Fort Frances as a “disaster area” for the purposes of the Ontario Disaster Relief Assistance Program.

**7. Information:**

- i) General Operating Fund Financial Statement as at May 31, 2014
- ii) Water & Sewer Operating Fund Financial Statements as at May 31, 2014
- iii) Capital Fund Financial Statement as at May 31, 2014
- iv) Administration & Finance Stats as at May 31, 2014

**8. Next Meeting Date:** Tuesday, July 8, 2014

  
Ken Perry, Chair

  
Mark McCaig, CAO

## Operations & Facilities Executive Committee

### Minutes of Meeting

**Date: Wednesday, June 18, 2014    Session No. 80**



A meeting of the Operations & Facilities Executive Committee was held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014 from 7:35 a.m. to 8:55 a.m.

Committee Members Present: Rick Wiedenhoeft, Chair, Ken Perry, Paul Ryan, Mark McCaig, CAO, and Doug Brown. Guest: Travis Rob

Also Present: Mayor Roy Avis

1. Call to Order 7:35 a.m.
2. Disclosure of pecuniary interest as required under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act* by Committee Members on agenda items. None
3. Non-agenda items: None
- 4) Agenda items considered at this meeting:
  - 1) Approve the minutes of the meeting of this Committee on June 4, 2014 – the minutes were approved as circulated.
  - 2) Review & Acceptance of 5 Year Energy Conservation & Demand Management Plan July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014 to June 30, 2019 – the report was reviewed and will be forwarded to Council for approval.
  - 3) Request from the Rainy River Substance Abuse Prevention Team Organization to Utilize the Point Park on Saturday September 6, 2014 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. to host a Family Safety Day Event – the report was reviewed and will be forwarded to Council for approval.
  - 4) Mr. Fred Brown – Owner of 951 Sixth Street West – Requesting to Downward Adjust his March/April 2014 Water & Sanitary Sewer Invoice – the report was reviewed and will be forwarded to Council for approval.
  - 5) Request from Connie Kress of 1029 Portage Avenue to waive her water bill as a result of Utilizing a Temporary Water Service line (garden hose tap to garden hose tap of a Neighbouring home) – the administration report was reviewed where the following recommendations will be included in the report:
    - 1) That all residential water & sewer customers who utilized a temporary water service line connected to their abutting property owner will be given a 50% discount off the



water portion of the total water and sewer fee for the duration that the temporary water service line was utilized during the 2014 winter season.

- 2) In the case of Connie Kress her water bill will be reduced by \$55.06 based on the following calculations:

- $88 \text{ days} / 365 \text{ days} * (12 \text{ months} / \text{year} * \$38.06 / \text{month}) * 50\% = \$55.06$

The revised report will be forwarded to Council for approval.

- 6) Request from Jay & Kristi Albright to Purchase a portion of back lane between Riverview Drive and Thompson Street – the memo was reviewed and will be forwarded to the Planning and Development Executive Committee.
- 7) Award Tender 14-OF-07 Surface Treatment of Roadways at Various Locations within the Town of Fort Frances – the report was reviewed and will be forwarded to Council for approval.
- 8) Vastimaki Consulting Service & Saulteaux Consulting & Engineering Request for Town's Geospatial Data in connection with being completed by Fort Frances Power Corporation (FFPC) – the report was reviewed and will be forwarded to Council for approval.
- 9) May 2014 Drinking Water Systems Monthly Summary Report – the monthly summary report for May 2014 was reviewed and will be forwarded to Council for approval.
- 10) Causeway Insurance Sanitary Sewer Service Line – the email from Doug Herr was reviewed where the Town will investigate the possibility of installing a clean out access point on an exterior wall of the Rainy Lake Hotel to avoid gaining access through the building.
- 11) CN Rail – Re: Letter from Terry Parks – the committee was informed that an email was forwarded to CNR staff on June 9, 2014 where Track Supervisor David Nichols phoned back to discuss the ROW. Sent an email to CNR Public Affairs Department with no response to date.
- 12) Operations & Facilities Division – Environmental Area – Operations Statistics – May 2014 – the statistics were reviewed and will be forwarded to Council as information only. No action required.
- 13) Fort Frances Wastewater Treatment Facility May 2014 Monthly Report – the OCWA monthly wastewater report was reviewed and will be forwarded to Council as information only. No action required.
- 14) Aircraft Landings 2014 – as of May 31, 2014 – the Airport Statistics as of May 31, 2014 were reviewed and will be forwarded to Council as information only. No action required.
- 15) Sewer & Water Data for 2014 updated June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014 – the spreadsheet was reviewed and

will be forwarded to Council as information only. No action required.

- 16) 2014 Tonnage at the Landfill Site – as of May 31, 2014 – the May 2014 Landfill Site Statistics were reviewed and will be forwarded to Council as information only. No action required.

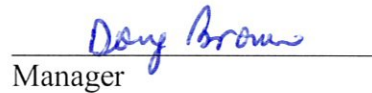
5. Non-Agenda Items: None

6. Resolutions: None

Adjourned at 8:55 a.m.

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

  
Chair

  
Manager

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**TOWN OF FORT FRANCES  
PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

AGENDA ITEM #10.5

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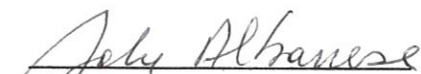
The Planning and Development Executive Committee held it's regular meeting in the Civic Centre Committee Room on Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> day of June 2014 at 8:00 a.m., with the following persons present:

J. Albanese (Chair), R. Wiedenhoeft, D. Kitowski, K. Perry, R. Avis, F. Flatt, M. McCaig, T. Rob, T. Berry, A. Boivin

1. CALL TO ORDER – 8:00 a.m.
2. IDENTIFICATION OF NON-AGENDA ITEMS - None
3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST – None
4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – The minutes of June 2, 2014 were approved as circulated (Kitowski/Wiedenhoeft).
5. REFERRALS FROM COUNCIL
  - a. Rainy Lake Hotel – T. Rob provided a verbal update.
  - b. Economic Development Advisory Committee – Request re: investigation of installation of directional signage in proximity of exit of Canadian Customs Facility - A recommendation will be forwarded to Council supporting the request.
  - c. Zoning Amendment Application 3/14-A (Boivin) – A recommendation will be forwarded to Council that Zoning By-Law 3/14 be amended to add a Home Occupation as a permitted use in the Seasonal Residential zone rather than change the zoning on the applicant's property from SR to R1 as applied for.
  - d. TbayTel – Request for Letter of Concurrence re: proposed cell tower at 250 Church Street – A recommendation will be forwarded to Council to submit letter as requested with no concerns for proposal as it will enhance cell phone coverage within the community.
6. NON-AGENDA ITEMS – None
7. IN-CAMERA  
Res. No. 2014-03 – (Wiedenhoeft/Albanese) That the meeting of the Planning and Development Executive Committee now meet in-camera at 9:17 a.m. in order to address a matter pertaining to a proposed or pending acquisition of land for municipal or local board purposes or disposal of land no longer needed for municipal purposes.

**CARRIED**

- a. CopperLight (SkyPower) request for extension of Option to Lease Agreement – Town property McIrvine Road – Council will be advised that matter requires additional consideration.
  - b. Albright request to purchase portion of lane adjacent to 755 Thompson St. – A recommendation will be forwarded to Council that request be denied as laneway is utilized as services corridor for Bell and Union Gas infrastructure.
8. NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE - 7 July 2014 at 8:00 am
9. MEETING CLOSE – The meeting closed at 9:44 a.m.

  
Chairperson

  
Municipal Planner/Secretary