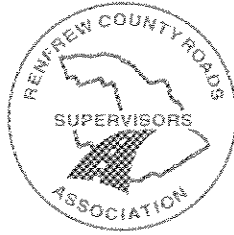


Renfrew County Road Supervisors Association



Established in 1980

March 25, 2014

Township of Head Clara & Maria  
15 Township Hall Rd.  
Stonecliffe, ON K0J 2K0

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APR 02 2014

Attention: Ms. Tammy-Lea Stewart, Reeve

Dear Ms. Stewart:

**Re: Association of Ontario Road Supervisors  
2014 Municipal Trade Show**

The 2014 AORS Municipal Trade Show being hosted by the Renfrew County Road Supervisors' Association on June 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> is fast approaching. The organizing committee is anticipating that the Trade Show will be well attended by both registrants and exhibitors.

On behalf of the Trade Show Committee, I want to extend my personal invitation to you, and your Council and staff, to participate in the various activities. In this regard, the following opportunities may be of interest:

- **Trade Show Attendance & Registration**

Attendance at the Trade Show is **free so long as attendees are registered in advance**. For your convenience I have attached the registration form. I encourage you to have the form completed and submitted by May 2<sup>nd</sup> in order to avoid any disappointment and to take advantage of the free entry to the show.

- **Ross McKenzie Memorial Golf Tournament**

In conjunction with the Trade Show, the Annual Ross McKenzie Memorial Golf Tournament takes place on Tuesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at the nearby Madawaska Golf Course. Opportunities are available to play either 9 or 18 holes. In addition, we are still seeking hole sponsorships. Once again the appropriate registration and sponsorship forms are attached for your convenience. The organizing committee would like to encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity to network with others in the municipal public works sector while enjoying a round of golf and dinner.

- **Trade Show Booth Rentals**

Booths are still available at the Trade Show and booths can be booked by submitting the attached application form by mail/fax or online at [www.aors.on.ca](http://www.aors.on.ca) . Don't miss out on this opportunity to display and promote the amenities that your municipality has to offer to prospective guests and businesses.

If you have already made arrangements to participate in the 2014 Municipal Trade Show, I thank you on behalf of the organizing committee.

I hope to see you in Arnprior on June 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>.

If you have any questions or should you require further information, please feel free to contact either myself (613-432-3175) or any member of the 2014 Municipal Trade Show Executive.

Yours truly,

*Chris Kunopaski*

Chris Kunopaski, CRS  
President, Renfrew County Road Supervisors Association  
Vice – Chairperson 2014 Municipal Trade Show Committee

c: Steve P. Boland

Re: 2014 Municipal Trade Show

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A request was received from the Renfrew County Road Supervisors Association in support of the 2014 Municipal Trade Show taking place in Arnprior June 4 and 5, 2014.

**Recommendation:**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council approve staff to attend and assist as a volunteer for the 2014 Municipal Trade Show.

**AND FURTHER THAT** Council authorize the purchase of a golf-hole sponsorship in the amount of \$100.00 by May 1, 2014 for the Ross McKenzie Memorial Golf Tournament.

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APR 14 2014

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Ms Tammy Lea Stewart  
Reeve  
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Dear Reeve Stewart:

The collective success of Ontario's municipalities is critical to the success of the province of Ontario. However, such successes can only be realized when communities and governments are pulling in the same direction.

I thought it would be beneficial to provide you with an update on the initiatives Ontario's government is undertaking today to give municipalities more information and control so they can increase their effectiveness – and take advantage of new opportunities – around local energy planning.

**Large Renewable Procurement Process**

Clean energy is one such opportunity. Building clean, reliable and affordable energy in a way that respects communities is our top priority. Since launching the Feed-in Tariff (FIT) program in 2009, Ontario has firmly established itself as a North American leader in renewable energy. This is remarkable progress and Ontario is proud of the role renewable energy is playing in the supply mix. As a result, on June 12, 2013, I directed the Ontario Power Authority (OPA) to end the procurement of large renewable energy projects through the FIT program and to develop a new competitive procurement process to allow for the consideration of future contract awards for cost-efficient and well-supported projects. I asked the OPA to engage with municipalities to help inform the identification of appropriate locations and siting requirements for future renewable energy projects.

Building on what we've learned through the success of the FIT program, the new Large Renewable Procurement (LRP) process will provide municipalities with a stronger voice going forward and additional opportunities to participate in the development of renewable energy projects. It will include an initial Request for Qualifications (RFQ) process to qualify applicants, followed by a Request for Proposals (RFP) process to evaluate projects, which can only be proposed by qualified applicants. The RFQ process will include robust qualification criteria that contain a requirement to demonstrate previous community engagement experience. After developers are qualified at the RFQ stage they will be required to work directly with municipalities and Aboriginal communities to satisfy a high bar of community engagement and local support before a contract is awarded.

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Two procurements are proposed, commencing in 2014, with the possibility of a third procurement in 2016, should any procurement capacity remain. The procurement targets include up to 300 megawatts (MW) of wind, 140 MW of solar, 50 MW of bioenergy and 50 MW of hydroelectric capacity in 2014. In 2015, the targets would include up to 300 MW of wind, 140 MW of solar, 50 MW of bioenergy and 45 MW of hydroelectricity. Each procurement is expected to take between 12 and 16 months to complete.

As part of the OPA's extensive outreach activities to inform the development of the LRP, the OPA developed preliminary sets of RFQ stage evaluation criteria and possible RFP stage components. These and other related materials were discussed with a wide variety of stakeholders and communities between December 2013 and February 2014. As part of these events, the OPA held four regional community meetings – in Chatham-Kent, Sudbury, Orillia and Napanee – for municipalities, local distribution companies (LDCs) and the general public. More than 850 groups and individuals participated in these activities and more than 65 made written submissions. The OPA and ministry staff also met with representatives from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) task forces (Planning, Energy and Economic Development). I and some of my senior officials also met directly with AMO's MOU table.

After considering the feedback received, and building on previous energy procurement experience, the OPA submitted the Final Recommendations Report for the Development of a New Large Renewable Procurement Process on February 28, 2014, which is available online at [www.powerauthority.on.ca/sites/default/files/page/LRP-Final-Recommendations-Report-20140228.pdf](http://www.powerauthority.on.ca/sites/default/files/page/LRP-Final-Recommendations-Report-20140228.pdf).

The OPA posted the draft RFQ on April 8 for public comment until May 2. The RFQ is anticipated to run from June to September. The OPA will continue to develop draft RFP rated criteria in consultation with the Ministry of Energy, municipalities and stakeholders with the intention to post the draft RFP later this year. In preparation for the RFP, the OPA plans to post an LRP-specific transmission availability table to identify specific circuits and transmission stations in the province where capacity for potential LRP projects may be available.

I encourage you to provide feedback and/or questions on the LRP at any time to [LRP@powerauthority.on.ca](mailto:LRP@powerauthority.on.ca).

### **Regional Planning Process Update**

Regional electricity planning and siting is another matter I wish to bring to your attention. On October 8, 2013, Premier Wynne accepted the 18 recommendations made by the OPA and the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) to enhance the current processes for planning and siting moving forward.

The cornerstone of regional electricity planning is an open exchange of information and engagement with municipalities, Aboriginal communities, stakeholders and members of the general public. In Ontario, this will include better community outreach, early and often, while providing local governments and communities a greater voice in the planning and siting of energy infrastructure.

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To make sure their voices are heard, municipalities will need to actively participate in electricity planning and siting activities. The OPA has started the regional planning process in eight of the province's 21 regions, and will begin work in the remaining regions in the near future.

This is your opportunity to work directly with the OPA, key electricity stakeholders and the public to contribute to planning and identify the right solutions for your communities.

I encourage you to visit the OPA website at [www.powerauthority.on.ca/power-planning/regional-planning](http://www.powerauthority.on.ca/power-planning/regional-planning) to learn more about current and upcoming regional planning processes.

### **Municipal Energy Plans**

When it comes to planning, some municipalities may appreciate having more tools at their disposal. Community energy planning supports the sustainability and long-term economic prosperity of Ontario's municipalities.

The 2014 Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) includes enhanced policies for promoting energy conservation and efficiency and providing opportunities for the development of renewable energy and alternative energy systems, including district energy. It promotes land-use and development patterns, which maximizes energy efficiency and encourages the long-term consideration of electricity generation facilities and transmission systems. It also promotes healthy liveable communities, wise use of land, compact development, transit and active transportation, economic development and investment readiness, all of which are supported by comprehensive energy planning.

I would like to encourage all municipalities to apply to the province's Municipal Energy Plan (MEP) Program, which provides up to \$90,000 to help Ontario municipalities understand their energy use through a community energy planning process.

A MEP aligns energy, the built environment and land use planning. It identifies community-wide energy efficiency and green energy options and supports economic development opportunities. A MEP also supports local conservation, renewable energy, regional energy planning and Ontario's Conservation First policy, Long-Term Energy Plan (LTEP) and PPS. As well, a MEP will help identify future local generation and/or distribution issues.

The ministry will be receiving new applications for the MEP program starting in early May and intake and review will be ongoing. Applications and more information will be available in early May at [www.energy.gov.on.ca/en/municipal-energy](http://www.energy.gov.on.ca/en/municipal-energy).

These new processes and initiatives – large renewable procurement, regional electricity planning and the Municipal Energy Plan program – are all part of the government's efforts to change and improve how we work together with municipalities on energy issues.

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Significant progress is being made and I fully expect that as we continue with implementation of the LTEP, municipalities will play a crucial role in energy planning and siting. This is the time to step forward in partnership to make sure local voices are heard so we can all work together on building a clean, reliable and affordable energy system.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bob Chiarelli". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Bob" and last name "Chiarelli" clearly distinguishable.

Bob Chiarelli  
Minister



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"Celebrating our Heritage. Investing in our Future"

April 8, 2014

**Hon. Kathleen Wynne**  
**Premier of the Province of Ontario**  
Via email: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Dear Premier Wynne,

During our regular session of Council on April 7, 2014, the below noted resolution was brought forward for the attention of your office;

MOVED: Mary-Pat Gleeson

SECONDED: Tim Brown

WHEREAS the province of Ontario's recently released Long Term Energy Plan anticipates that consumers will face hydro rate that will rise by 42% over the next five (5) years;

WHEREAS the Minister of Energy recently announced that past FIT prices are driving electricity prices higher and that changes to domestic content requirements for construction or future renewable energy projects are necessary to lower future electricity rates;

WHEREAS the recent Auditor-General's report advised of extreme amount of waste in the energy sector, particularly at Ontario Power Generation and Hydro One, due to high labour costs and a generous public sector pension plan;

WHEREAS decisions including but not limited to the cancellation of Gas Plants in Ontario could cost taxpayers close to \$ 1.1 billion;

WHEREAS recent increases announced by Union Gas and Enbridge, will cause great financial burden to the residents and businesses of the Town of Petrolia;

WHEREAS it is essential for the residents and businesses of the Town of Petrolia to have access to affordable Hydro & Natural Gas to thrive and prosper;





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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT the Town of Petrolia Call on Premier Wynne and the Province of Ontario to take immediate action to prevent these and any other rate increases from being implemented;

AND THAT this motion be circulated to all Ontario Municipalities for support.

**Carried**

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Thank you for receiving our correspondence, we look forward to hearing from your office regarding this item of concern effecting our residents and business owners.

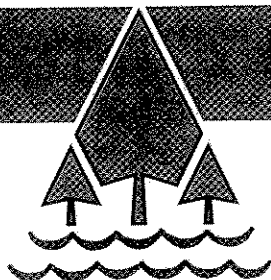
Yours truly,

Mandi Pearson  
Deputy Clerk/Operations Clerk

CC: Ontario Municipalities via email

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March 28, 2014

Minister Bob Chiarelli  
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Toronto, ON M7A 2E1

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APR 03 2014

Dear Minister Chiarelli

I am writing this letter on behalf of Horton Township residents who are serviced by Hydro One. Our office has had many calls from clients who are concerned about the enormous electricity bills that they have received over the past few months. These huge bills cause significant financial stress. Many households are on a strict budget and these huge bills can cause real headaches for them.

Since the introduction of Smart Meters, rural customers have encountered many billing problems. The meters are unable to transmit billing data properly to utility hubs due to connectivity problems and lack of high speed in the rural areas. Hilly topography and tall trees often interfere with the signals required to submit the data from the Smart Meters. As a result bills are often based on estimates and arrive on an irregular basis.

With anticipated increases in the electricity rates by the Ontario Energy Board, many people are becoming anxious about their ability to pay for the energy costs required to run their homes or operate their small business. Accordingly, we respectfully request that your government implement strategic actions to provide relief to the rural hydro customers. This could be carried out by:

- 1) removing HST from the electrical bill
- 2) implement a flat rate for the debt retirement charge
- 3) implement a flat rate for delivery charge
- 4) commence the removal of smart meters in rural Ontario due to the inability of the smart meters to transfer accurate energy use data

Your assistance with this serious issue of increased electrical costs is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Mayor Don Eady  
Horton Township

COUNTY OF RENFREW



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March 28, 2014

To All Local Councils


The attached letter was forwarded to me by several municipalities and may have been sent to all local municipalities in the County of Renfrew.

The letter is entirely inaccurate, unfair, and absolutely ludicrous. With regard to [REDACTED] it is my view that it is libellous.

In reading the letter, several comments do not seem to be plausible, as coming from someone who owns property in the County and lives in Toronto. In fact, after checking, the civic address is not a valid civic address in Toronto, the postal code is false and there is no information indicating that an M.B. Drapier owns any property in the County of Renfrew.

As I mentioned above, the letter was forwarded to me by several municipalities and that is appreciated. In attempting to besmirch the reputation of two very professional and dedicated employees, I believe the author of the letter may have broken several laws.

Sincerely,

  
W. James Hutton, MCIP, RPP  
Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk  
County of Renfrew  
[jhutton@countyofrenfrew.on.ca](mailto:jhutton@countyofrenfrew.on.ca)

WJH:rmg

c: Mayor or Reeve

Attachment

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March 23, 2014

Dear Mayor and Council,

As a ratepayer in the County of Renfrew, I am becoming increasingly alarmed at the performance failure of the County's bureaucrats. I have a large investment in Renfrew County in property that I hope to develop. I believe that you, as elected officials, have the best interests of the community at heart; however, all I see at the County level is a bureaucracy that is failing to serve the public interest.

A case in point is the hiring of former [REDACTED] to head the County's Planning Division. Since [REDACTED] started, we have seen;

- A steady decline in the number of rural severances
- Implementation of harsh MNR species at risk policies
- Constant, long delays when applying for severances
- Virtually no economic growth – in fact, the reverse is happening
- NO effective action in dealing with increasing regulations coming from the Provincial level
- Loss of the last railroad in the County

Does [REDACTED] actually work for the people of Renfrew County, or is he continuing to serve his former employer, the Province of Ontario? Isn't it time you got rid of this failure?

Another case is staff director [REDACTED]. I was shocked to read in the Barry's Bay paper last fall that [REDACTED] had taken offense at some legitimate comments of a Township Councillor. [REDACTED] said that he was moving that township's request for service to "the bottom of the pile". What action was taken by the County for this clear insubordination? Who does [REDACTED] work for?

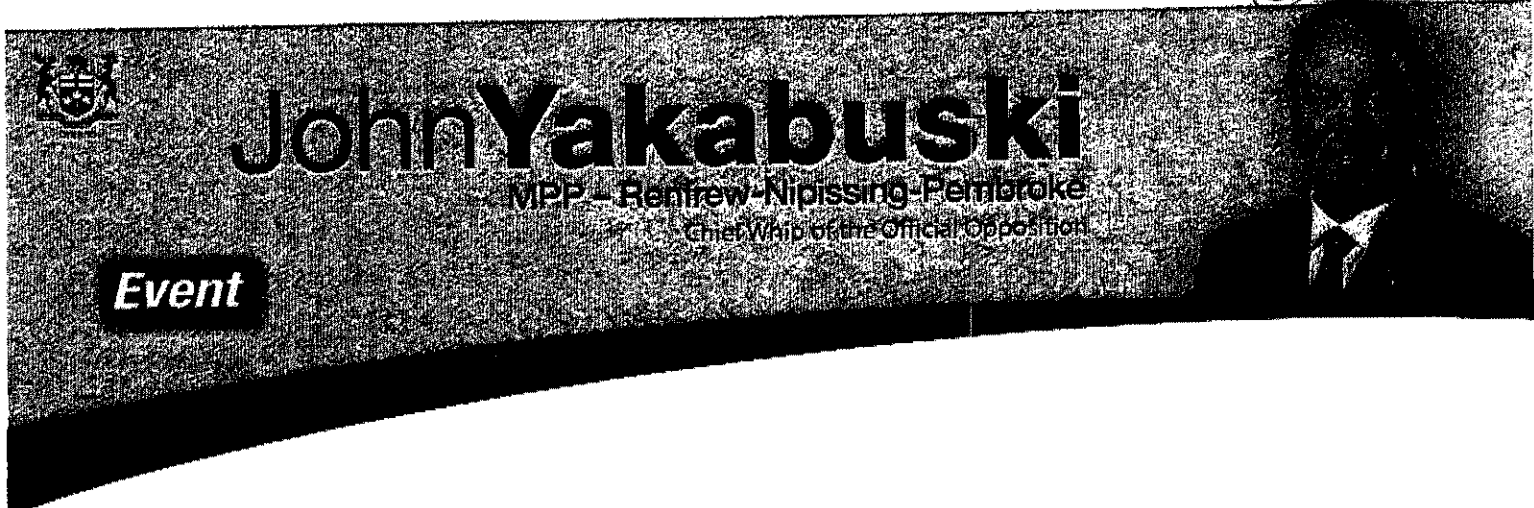
I'm sure you've heard similar complaints from other local people. The point is, the bureaucracy is supposed to serve the public, not the other way around. These upper level bureaucrats at the County all make well over \$100,000 per year. How many of your ratepayers make that much money?

In the working world, a failure to do your job results in unemployment. I'm not seeing much in the way of results from our County bureaucrats. Maybe it's time you made some changes – after all, these people are supposed to be working for us.

Sincerely,

*M. B. Drapier*

M.B. Drapier  
114 Bayfield Cr.  
Toronto, Ontario  
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*CIRCLE MAY 2, 2014 on your calendar!*

Dear Friend,

We hope that you can join us on May 2, 2014 at the Fundraising Dinner for MPP John Yakabuski.

The fundraiser is being held at the Rankin Culture and Community Centre, 20 Rankin Road (off Hwy 41) Pembroke

Meet and greet 6pm to 7pm,

Dinner (catered by Schmidts) 7pm

Our Guest Speaker is Vic Fedeli, MPP, Nipissing.

Tickets are \$100.00 pp.

To purchase tickets please email the RNP Riding Association at [rnppc.ontario@gmail.com](mailto:rnppc.ontario@gmail.com) or you can also register for dinner and pay by Visa or Mastercard on RNP website [johnyakabuski.ca](http://johnyakabuski.ca)

Thank you  
Susan Fynn  
CFO  
RNPPCRA

*Emailed to  
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**John Yakabuski, MPP**  
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April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014

**Township of Head, Clara & Maria**  
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Dear Reeve Stewart and Council,

I am writing to you in regards to the important issue of the spring bear hunt.

Currently, the provincial government has given some municipalities in Northern Ontario permission to conduct a spring bear hunt under a two-year pilot project. My submission to the Ontario's Environmental Registry posting is attached to this letter. Those remarks recorded my support for the spring bear hunt. This is a step in the right direction; however, more needs to be done.

I have never supported the implementation of a moratorium on the spring bear hunt. I believe that anywhere there is an active bear population municipalities should be able to respond to the needs of their residents and request from the province an institution of a hunt in order to deal with an overabundant and aggressive black bear population. I would like to hear from you—and other community leaders within the riding—to see if there is interest in having a spring bear hunt in your municipality.

As the MPP for Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke it has been my long-held belief that the current government has not consulted enough with local government and rural Ontarians. This is why I would appreciate your feedback on this important issue.

Sincerely,

John Yakabuski, MPP  
Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke

**ERB Registry Number:** 012-0981  
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**Date:** February 27, 2014  
**Contact name:** John Yakabuski, MPP  
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**Province:** Ontario  
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**Comment:**

My position on this issue is well known.

I campaigned on ending the moratorium in the 2003 election and was elected as an MPP.

The government's proposed changes are a step in the right direction, but I believe that anywhere there is an active bear population the local municipal government ought to have the ability to respond to the concerns of their residents by requesting that the hunt be extended to include their jurisdiction, if they deem it necessary.

I never supported the implementation of a moratorium on the spring bear hunt. I believe it was based on the political realities of the day weighing against the government rather than being a thoughtful response based on a scientific review of the available evidence.

I therefore support the proposed changes, but encourage the government to also address the concerns of communities outside of Northern Ontario.

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April 4, 2014

Reeve Stewart  
The United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria  
15 Township Hall Road,  
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RE: Closure of Pembroke Fire Management Headquarters

Dear Reeve Stewart,

Thank you for the invitation to attend the Council meetings on Tuesday March 25, 2014. I appreciate the opportunity to provide some insight into our program and hopefully put some people's minds at ease.

During the meeting you asked about cost savings associated with the closure of the Pembroke Fire Management Headquarters.

As I mentioned during my presentation there were several factors considered when making the decision to close the fire bases in Pembroke and Kirkland Lake.

- 1) As we modernize we are moving towards larger strategic bases.
- 2) Geographically, these bases are near the borders of Ontario and are not strategically located for optimal forest fire response.
- 3) The two bases were aging and would have required major capital investments to keep them operating to the modern standards of other bases.

MNR will save approximately \$1.2 million by closing the Pembroke facility. The majority of these savings will be reinvested to fund new seasonal positions at other locations.

During your inquiry about cost savings you specifically mentioned increased costs associated with pre-positioning staff in the Pembroke area such as increased overtime, standby time, and costs for hotel rooms.

Costs associated with personnel i.e. overtime and standby should not increase due to the closure of the Pembroke Fire Management Headquarters. Overtime is usually associated



with fire response or fire alerts and the Fire Rangers' home location should not influence this.

When we pre-position Fire Ranger crews and they are required to overnight in a hotel the daily costs would range from approximately \$460 - \$610 per 4 person crew. These costs would be injected directly into the local economy where the Fire Ranger crews are pre-positioned.

It is important to note that the pre-positioning costs would only be incurred when the fire hazard required the repositioning of fire crews, whereas we were paying to operate the Pembroke base 365 days a year.

I received a follow up e-mail from Melinda Reith asking:

"could you comment on the number of jobs lost in the Pembroke office? I think originally that was a huge concern, but now that you have explained the deployment process, are there really significant losses? Would the people previously employed from the Pembroke office still have an employment opportunity from the Halliburton base?"

When the decision was made to close the Pembroke Fire Management Headquarters, employees affected by the closure were given an option to relocate to other Fire Management Headquarters across Ontario. Fire Ranger crew allotments were increased in Haliburton, Sudbury, Timmins, and Cochrane in order to maintain the numbers of Fire Ranger crews we had prior to the base closures.

Many employees decided to relocate and have been successfully placed in positions in Haliburton, North Bay, and Sudbury. Some employees decided not to relocate for various reasons.

If you or have any further questions please feel free to contact me at 705-457-8829.

Best Regards,



Chris Cuthbertson  
Fire Management Supervisor

c. Brian Schulz, Response and Operations Manager



March 21, 2014

Honourable Deb Matthews  
Minister of Health and Long-Term Care  
Hepburn Block  
10th Floor, 80 Grosvenor St  
Toronto ON M7A2C4

Dear Honourable Deb Matthews,

**Re: Healthy Kids Community Challenge**

The Township of Cavan Monaghan is very supportive and happy to participate with the new "Healthy Kids Community Challenge" that the Province has initiated. Understanding the purpose is to improve the health and activity of youth across the Province.

At the Regular Council meeting of March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Council directed staff to send a letter to your Ministry to ensure this new program when completed does not become downloaded to the local municipalities to continue the program after the four (4) years of financial support has concluded.

As you are aware, rural municipalities continue to have concerns with the Province downloading responsibilities. The Township believes this type of program should be managed through the Health Unit and not local municipalities.

Yours truly,

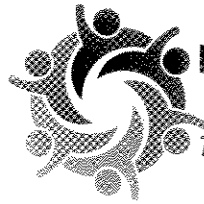
AS per  
Yvette Hurley  
CAO  
Township of Cavan Monaghan

cc: Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario  
Honourable Joe Oliver, Minister of Finance  
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Family & Children's Services  
of Renfrew County

Together, A Caring Community.

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April 8th, 2014  
Pembroke, ON

To: Sammy Stewart + Council

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We are writing this letter to invite you and your staff to join us in supporting the children and youth of Renfrew County. We are excited to announce that Family & Children's Services of Renfrew County will be hosting our first annual Signature Event Fundraiser this spring! All funds raised this year will be used to support the mental health and wellbeing of our children and youth in care.

We will be hosting our event, "**A Night of Laughs and Entertainment: Wine & Dessert Fundraiser**", in Pembroke, Ontario at the Germania Club Hall on Friday May 2, 2014 beginning at 7:30pm. This will be a fun-filled night of comedy with Canadian Comedy Hall of Fame's Mike MacDonald headlining our evening.

To kick-off the night we will have sweet eats, live music provided by Singer/Songwriter Cali Brianna from Renfrew/Ottawa and at-your-table magic tricks from Stephen Anthony, Stretching Reality. Tickets are \$40 per person and not only include a great line-up of entertainment, but also include dessert and wine, or a beverage of the ticket-holders' choice. We would like to ask for your help in spreading the word about this event!

We have a variety of ticket locations throughout the county, including: Saar's Store on Highway 41 near Pembroke; Moncion Grocer's West End Mall Pembroke; Rooney's Gas Bar in Cobden; and Ray's Flower's and Signature Styles in Renfrew. Tickets can also be purchased at either our Pembroke head office at 77 Mary Street, Pembroke, or at our Renfrew office at 331 Martin Street, Renfrew.

If you have any questions feel free to call (613) 735-6866 ext 0 or (613) 432-4821 ext 0 and have the receptionist connect them with an organizer for more information!

Arijana Tomićić, M.S.W. Executive Director

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We have included promotional posters in our package for you and would like to ask that you post these around your organization/workplace and encourage your staff, family and friends to purchase ticket's and support the children and youth of Renfrew County!

Let's spring into the warmer season with good laughs, good food and good company at the First FCS Signature Event!

We look forward to seeing you there.

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Maggie Johnston,  
Committee Chair on behalf of the FCS Signature Event Committee

**Melinda Reith - Head, Clara, Maria**

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**From:** "Debbie Gervais" <Debbie.Gervais@fcsrenfrew.on.ca>  
**Date:** April-16-14 1:05 PM  
**To:** "Undisclosed recipients:"  
**Attach:** Membership Application 2014.pdf  
**Subject:** FCS Renfrew County - Become a Member

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An informed public symbolizes an agency that is accountable and effective. By your membership in this agency, you express your concern for children, and your wish to influence the way services are delivered to children and families in this county. Membership entitles you to vote at the Annual General Meeting, gives you an updated list of board members, a copy of the Ontario Association of Children's Aid Societies Journal (quarterly), our quarterly community newsletter and other relevant agency publications.

A one year membership is only \$10.00. To become a member, please forward the attached form and your cheque made payable to "Family and Children's Services of Renfrew County" by June 1, 2014.

*Debbie Gervais*



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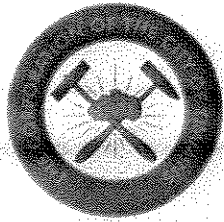
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*Your continued support is appreciated*



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Moved by Councillor Pat Bamford  
Seconded by Councillor Michael Doody

**WHEREAS** the city of Timmins believes that Canada Post and the services provided including mail delivery are an integral part of life to all residents within the city of Timmins;

**AND WHEREAS** the post offices and the services they provide in Small, Rural and Northern communities have become a part of the fabric of our way of life and are essential to the socioeconomic well being of our communities;

**AND WHEREAS** local governments in Canada have a direct financial interest in the security and stability of Canada's postal system, to ensure reliable communications with ratepayers and certainly in the timely payment of taxes and other fees;

**AND WHEREAS** Canada Post, a consistently profitable crown corporation, has announced its intention to eliminate residential door-to-door mail delivery in Canada, calling into question the stability of Canada's postal system, the certainty of communications and payments, and the reliability of business transactions;

**AND WHEREAS** the city of Timmins recognizes the growing importance of accessibility, along with an increasing proportion of the population being seniors and the importance of residential door-to-door delivery for segments of our population;

**AND WHEREAS** the city of Timmins experiences harsher winters than other areas in the country making neighborhood mailboxes less accessible compared other jurisdictions further adding to the importance of residential door-to-door delivery in our community;

**AND WHEREAS** this fundamental change Canada's communication system is unprecedented in the G7 countries and has been announced in the absence of any meaningful consultation with local governments, Canada Post customers or postal workers;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the city of Timmins request that the federal government direct Canada Post to maintain the current levels of postal service in Small, Rural and Northern Communities and continue to maintain residential door-to-door postal delivery in Canada;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the right Hon. Stephen Harper Prime Minister of Canada, the Hon. Lisa Raitt Minister of transport, FONOM, AMO, the Federation of Canadian municipalities, and Charlie Angus MPP, Timmins James Bay for their support and endorsement.

CARRIED.  
MARCH 17, 2014  
CERTIFIED TRUE COPY  
OF RESOLUTION NO. 14-066

  
STEPH PALMATEER, CITY CLERK

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**CLERK'S DEPARTMENT**

March 26, 2014

**ATTN:** All Ontario Municipalities

**FROM:** Carolyn Langley, Clerk, Township of West Lincoln

**RE: Resolution to Province regarding Industrial Wind Turbines**

On March 24, 2014, West Lincoln Township Council adopted the following resolution requesting that the Province revoke the REA for the HAF Wind Energy Project and place an immediate moratorium on all IWT projects (current and future) until Ministry staff ensure that each project is in full compliance with the regulations. It is noted that four of five industrial wind turbines installed in West Lincoln were incorrectly located, which has precipitated this request to the Province.

**WHEREAS** the Green Energy Act is the Province's attempt to establish clear rules and regulations pertaining to Industrial Wind Turbines (IWTs);

**AND WHEREAS** the Green Energy Act has stripped local municipalities of their governance and oversight pertaining to the approval of IWTs;

**AND WHEREAS** the Federal Government is currently undertaking health studies pertaining to the impacts of IWTs;

**AND WHEREAS** four of the five IWTs, currently erected in West Lincoln, do not meet the setbacks established in accordance with the HAF Wind Energy Project - Renewable Energy Approval (REA), as approved by the Ministry, which now means that abutting landowners are substantially impacted;

**AND WHEREAS** the proposed solution by the Province is to apply a different provision of the applicable approval Regulation rather than revoke the REA and remove the four IWTs;

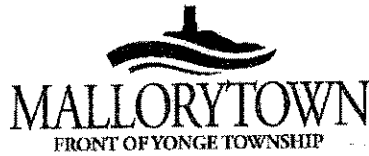
**NOW THEREFORE** the Township of West Lincoln demands that the Province revoke the REA for the HAF Wind Energy Project and place an immediate moratorium on all IWT projects (current and future) until Ministry staff ensure that each project is in full compliance with the regulations, without any exceptions; and,

**THAT**, the Provincial Government require the removal of the FOUR IWTs that are in violation of the REA and not modify the existing REA to accommodate the IWTs that were wrongly installed; and,

**THAT**, the Province respond to this resolution and commit to a review of the negative impacts of the Green Energy Act on our democratic rights and how the removal of municipal input affects the long term development of each municipality.

**THAT**, this resolution be forwarded to the Premier, Leaders of the Official Oppositions; Ministers of the Ministry of the Environment, Infrastructure and Energy, Rural Affairs and Agriculture and Food, Municipal Affairs; Region of Niagara; Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc.; local MP and MPP; the Renewable Energy Approval applicants in West Lincoln and to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario for distribution to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.





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Please be advised, at their regular meeting on the evening of November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013, the Council of the Township of Front of Yonge passed the following two resolutions related to environmental issues:

1) **WHEREAS** it is estimated that over 650 million plastic water bottles end up in Ontario landfill sites each year, with approximately 100 million from Toronto alone;  
**AND WHEREAS** an estimated 35% to 45% of the plastic water bottles are not recycled, with nearly 31,000 tonnes going into landfills in 2009;  
**AND WHEREAS** these materials take an estimated 700 years to begin composting;  
**AND WHEREAS** approximately 1/10<sup>th</sup> of all plastic bottles end up in the oceans;  
**AND WHEREAS** Canadian provinces with deposit return systems for plastic water bottles have return rates of 75% or more;  
**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Council petition the Ontario Ministry of the Environment to institute a deposit/return system for plastic water bottles;  
**AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** that this resolution be circulated to all Ontario municipalities, MPP Steve Clark, and the Ministry of the Environment, Hon. Jim Bradley.

CARRIED

2) **WHEREAS** Styrofoam brand polystyrene materials constitute up to 30% of landfilled materials worldwide;  
**AND WHEREAS** these materials take an estimated 100 years to break down in the environment;  
**AND WHEREAS** unlike rigid polystyrene materials, polystyrene foam peanuts are not accepted by recycling facilities;  
**AND WHEREAS** there are alternative packing peanut materials available such as recycled paper, and biodegradable starch materials;  
**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Council petition the Ontario Ministry of the Environment to ban the use of polystyrene foam peanuts in Ontario.  
**AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** that this resolution be circulated to all Ontario municipalities, MPP Steve Clark, and the Minister of the Environment, Hon. Jim Bradley.

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CC: Association of Municipalities of Ontario

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**Melinda Reith - Head, Clara, Maria**

**From:** "Jamie Lim" <jlim@ofia.com>  
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**Cc:** "Christine Leduc" <cleduc@ofia.com>  
**Attach:** OFIA - APRIL 2014 - Hon Min Bill Mauro re Ontario Building Code Amendments.pdf; MEDIA RELEASE - MARCH 2014 - OFIA Congratulates Minister Bill Mauro .pdf  
**Subject:** OFIA LETTER TO MINISTER MAURO

**RE: Proposed changes to Ontario's Building Code – Comments due by May 4th**

Dear Municipal Leaders,

Please find attached OFIA's letter to Minister Mauro regarding the proposed changes to Ontario's Building Code as well as a recent media release. As noted in the letter, we are requesting that the "non combustible" language be removed from the proposed amendments so that Ontario can finally level the playing field for all building materials.

The OFIA will be submitting formal comments by May 4<sup>th</sup>.

If you have any questions, just give me a call.

All the best,

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Jamie Lim  
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04/04/2014

April 2, 2014

The Honourable Bill Mauro  
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
College Park, 777 Bay St  
Toronto, Ontario  
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**Re: Ontario Building Code Amendments:  
Please Remove Proposed 'non combustible' Language**

*Dear Minister Mauro,*

Members of the Ontario Forest Industries Association (OFIA) would like to congratulate you on your recent appointment to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH). We are encouraged that as the member for Thunder Bay-Atikokan, you will be a positive voice for Northern Ontario jobs and the economy at Queen's Park.

We were pleased when, on March 20th, 2014, MMAH released proposed amendments to the Ontario Building Code (OBC) to allow for the construction of six storey wood-frame buildings. The current OBC limits wood-frame construction to four storeys. The forestry sector, along with many other stakeholders, has been advocating for Ontario to adopt a six storey wood standard similar to what currently exists in British Columbia.

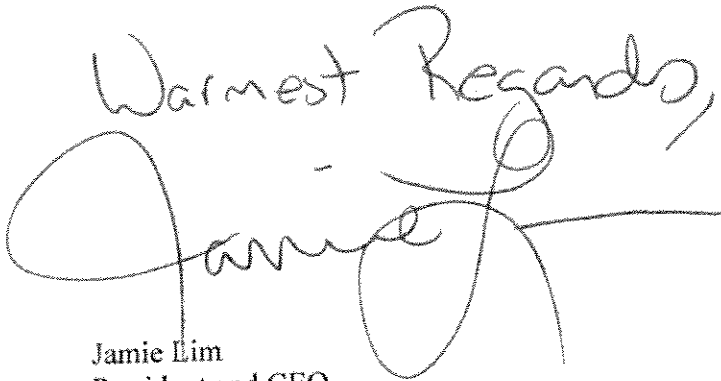
We are asking you to endorse performance based amendments to the OBC that would specify the standards building materials will have to meet, rather than dictate which building materials should be used. The OFIA believes that Ontario's amendments should level the playing field for all building materials and not maintain outdated restrictive monopolies.

As you know, today's innovative wood systems meet safety standards and are presently being used in tall wood buildings in other Canadian jurisdictions and around the world.

We are asking the government to let the architects, designers, and builders decide with what they want to build, provided the materials meet performance based standards. The OFIA is requesting the 'non combustible' language be removed from the proposed amendments and not reflected in the final OBC.

Provincial consumption for housing and mid-rise construction using wood systems creates the perfect environment for a forest sector recovery. In terms of urban centre construction, Ontario is Canada's largest housing market. Our province has three times the market potential of British Columbia. As the Building Industry and Land Development Association (BILD) points out, changing the building code to allow 6 storey wood buildings would result in safe and affordable construction for the 100,000 people that move to the GTA each year.

Removing the 'non combustible' language and letting architects, builders and consumers make the choice could truly be an Ontario success story. We look forward to working with you to ensure the building code provides a level playing field for all building materials.

Warmest Regards,  


Jamie Lim  
President and CEO  
**Ontario Forest Industries Association**  
**Home of CLA Grading and Inspection**

cc

Honourable David Oraziotti, Minister of Natural Resources  
Honourable Michael Gravelle, Minister of Northern Development and Mines  
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Growing a stronger, greener Ontario

**Media Release** March 27, 2014

### **OFIA Congratulates MPP Bill Mauro on his Appointment to Minister**

The Ontario Forest Industries Association (OFIA) congratulates the Honourable Bill Mauro on his recent appointment to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH).

Jamie Lim, President and CEO, commented, 'we are encouraged that as the member for Thunder Bay-Attkokan, Bill Mauro will be a positive voice for Northern Ontario jobs and the economy at Queen's Park. In 2012, MPP Bill Mauro introduced a Private Members Bill that, if passed, would have amended the Ontario Building Code to allow for six-storey wood-frame buildings to be constructed out of wood.'

We were pleased when, on March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014, MMAH released proposed amendments to the Building Code to allow for the construction of six storey wood-frame buildings. The current Ontario Building Code limits wood-frame construction to four storeys. The forestry sector, along with many other stakeholders, has been advocating for Ontario to adopt a six storey wood standard similar to what currently exists in British Columbia.

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Today's renewable forest products sector supports over 150,000 green jobs in over 260 Ontario communities. Since 2006, Ontario's forest sector has overcome enormous challenges and we look forward to working with Minister Mauro to ensure the building code provides a level playing field for all building materials.

When Ontario officially changes the Building Code, over the first five years, our province would have approximately 500 mid-rise projects in design or construction with each project averaging one million board feet of sustainable renewable lumber.

Christine Leduc, Director of Policy and Communications said, 'changing the Ontario Building Code and leveling the playing field for all building materials could truly be an Ontario success story! We can already look forward to exciting and innovative designs in our communities.'

**For further information, media representatives may contact:**

**Jamie Lim, President & CEO - OFIA - Phone: 416-368-6188**

**Christine Leduc, Director of Policy & Communications - OFIA - Phone: 416-368-6188**

*Ontario's renewable forest products sector supports over 150,000 direct and indirect jobs in over 260 Ontario communities. The Ontario Forest Industries Association (OFIA) is comprised of 32 member companies. OFIA believes that by working with government to address key competitive issues, secure long term access to affordable and accessible fibre and promote the province's 21st century forest products sector, Ontario will be the number one jurisdiction in Canada for today's green and growing renewable sector.*



# City of Peterborough

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The following resolution, adopted by City Council at its meeting held on March 17, 2014 is forwarded for your information. Thank you.

**That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report COU14-001, dated March 10, 2014, of Mayor Daryl Bennett, as follows:**

- a) **That a letter be sent to the Ontario Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services requesting the *Police Services Act*, and associated Regulations, be amended as follows:**
  - i) **Amend Section 39 of the *Police Services Act* to allow for a conciliation process in the event of a budget impasse between a Municipal Council and a Police Service Board – prior to the Ontario Civilian Police Commission becoming involved.**
  - ii) **Amend Section 35 of the *Police Services Act* to allow a Board Member who believes that a subject that has been discussed in a closed meeting of the Board, including award of a Request for Proposal to develop a Business Plan, should have been discussed in an open meeting, to be able to report to the Municipal Council on the subject issue and the exclusion of the public so that Council could consider a remedy.**
  - iii) **Delete 14(1) of Ontario Regulation 421/97 to the *Police Services Act* that states a board member whose conduct or performance is being investigated or inquired into by the Commission under section 25 of the *Act*, or is the subject of a hearing before the Commission under that section, shall decline to exercise his or her duties as a member of the board for the duration of the investigation or inquiry and hearing.**
  - iv) **Amend Section 25 of the *Police Services Act* to make it a requirement that the Ontario Civilian Police Commission must provide written notice of the particular allegation(s) to any Member of a Police Services Board who is under investigation or inquiry.**
- b) **That a letter be sent to local MPP Jeff Leal and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and each municipality in Ontario requesting both to urge the Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services to consider the amendments referenced.**
- c) **That a copy of Council's recommendation stemming from this report be forwarded to the Peterborough Lakefield Community Police Services Board for their attention.**

**Report COU14-001 is available on the City of Peterborough's website at the following link:**  
[http://eagenda.city.peterborough.on.ca/sirepub/view.aspx?cabinet=published\\_meetings&fileid=62250](http://eagenda.city.peterborough.on.ca/sirepub/view.aspx?cabinet=published_meetings&fileid=62250)

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**From:** "AMO Communications" <communicate@amo.on.ca>  
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**Subject:** AMO Breaking News - Premier Announces \$29 Billion for Transit and Transportation Infrastructure

**TO THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF THE CLERK AND COUNCIL**

April 14, 2014

**Premier Announces \$29 Billion for Transit and Transportation Infrastructure**

Today, the Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Kathleen Wynne, announced \$29 billion over ten years for transit in the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA) and transportation infrastructure across Ontario.

The Province will create two funds - \$15 billion for GTHA transit and \$14 billion for transportation in the rest of Ontario - to support investments in priority infrastructure projects across the province such as public transit, roads, bridges, and highways.

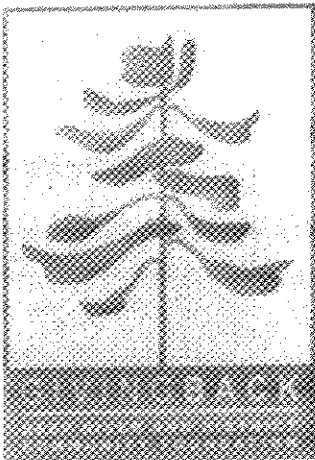
AMO supports better transit and raised questions early on regarding equity for communities outside the GTHA and the impact of potential revenue tools on residents and community competitiveness. The Government appears to have heard these concerns and reacted by seeking to ensure transparent revenue allocation for GTHA transit and transportation infrastructure outside of the region. We look forward to seeing how this transparency takes shape.

In announcing the initiative, the Premier said that funding will come from such sources as:

- "Repurposing the existing Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) that is charged on the current provincial taxes on gasoline and road diesel.
- Redirecting 7.5 cents of the existing gas tax. This would be over and above the permanent two cents that goes directly to municipalities to fund transit infrastructure.
- The value resulting from a review of key government assets would go to the proposed Trillium Trust and be directed towards this plan, as would;
- Proceeds from the previously announced Green Bonds program".

Today's announcement is significant. We will await further details to be announced in the Ontario Budget. The announcement can be viewed here for more information:  
<http://news.ontario.ca/opo/en/2014/04/moving-ontario-forward-with-large-new-investment.html>.

AMO will update members when further details are available post May 1 Budget Day.



# Deep River & District Community Foundation

## Annual General Meeting

7:00 pm, Monday, 28 April, 2014

DEEP RIVER Library Program Room DEEP RIVER

### Shawna Kunkel

will speak about

*“The Science Academy - Past  
and Future”*

Refreshments served  
Everyone Welcome



**Melinda Reith - Head, Clara, Maria**

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**From:** "Jennifer Kennedy" <Jennifer.Kennedy@drdh.org>  
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**Subject:** RE: recent inquiry about two advisory councils

The next meeting of the North Renfrew Family Health Team Advisory Committee is Tuesday, April 29<sup>th</sup>.

The next meeting of the Integrated Community Services Council is May 13<sup>th</sup>.

Reeve Stewart will be sent the meeting information as per usual.

Jennifer Kennedy

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**From:** Melinda Reith - Head, Clara, Maria [mailto:twpshcm@xplornet.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, April 04, 2014 10:09 AM  
**To:** Jennifer Kennedy  
**Cc:** Bob Reid; Councillor Jim Gibson; Debbi Grills; Doug and Sandra Antler; Reeve Stewart  
**Subject:** Re: recent inquiry about two advisory councils

Jennifer

Thank you for your response. I am attempting to determine why our Council members were not notified of the meeting of Wednesday, March 26. We had a council member asked why we were not represented at that meeting by a council member from another municipality. I assume it was the ICSC meeting?

I am attempting to ensure that Head, Clara & Maria's elected officials are made aware of all opportunities for participation in meetings which affect our residents. Although a unique perspective is important, having a representative in attendance is also important. HCM Council was only made aware of this meeting by a chance encounter. Our council members discussed this at their meeting of March 28 and asked why Head, Clara & Maria was not informed.

I was directed by Council at that meeting to contact you and ask as our Council feels that representing their constituents at local committees is important. They do not understand why we were not informed and asked that the township email be added to your contact list to ensure Head, Clara & Maria representation at future meetings.

Additionally, would you be able to provide the committees' terms of reference for our Council's review.

Respectfully

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**Subject:** OPP Steering Committee - Update 5

**TO THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF OPP POLICED COMMUNITIES**

March 21, 2014

**OPP Policed Communities: Update 5**

Dear Colleagues:

AMO's OPP Billing Steering Committee held its fourth meeting today. The Committee reviewed the overall impacts of the OPP's proposed billing model and a range of alternative approaches. It also evaluated the various billing options against the principles they established as a committee.

As well, there was productive discussion about how to make a transition to a new billing model that meets the needs of different municipalities. The Committee discussed the role of mitigation funding as part of a transition process.

There was also further discussion about the importance of controlling growth in policing costs across Ontario. A new billing model does not address the ever-increasing costs of policing.

The Committee is preparing its draft report and is confident that it will be able to conclude its work and provide its advice to the government by early April.

Together. One voice.

Yours truly,

R.F. (Russ) Powers  
President

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**Subject:** AMO Breaking News - New Building Canada Fund Announced

**TO THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF THE CLERK AND COUNCIL**

March 28, 2014

**New Building Canada Fund Announced****Agreement with Provincial Government Required to Allocate Funding in Ontario**

Today, the Honourable Denis Lebel, federal Minister of Infrastructure, Communities and Intergovernmental Affairs, announced the New Building Canada Fund is "open for Business".

The New Building Canada Fund, a ten-year, \$14 billion national fund first announced in the 2013 Budget, will support infrastructure over the next 10 years through:

- A \$4 billion National Infrastructure Component (NIC) for national projects;
- Ontario will receive \$2.7 billion of the Provincial/Territorial Infrastructure Component (PTIC) for regional and national projects
- \$270 million of the PTIC will be in the Small Communities Fund (SCF) for projects located in Ontario communities with populations 100,000 and under.

We know that these federal funding envelopes generally require a 1/3 contribution from the three orders of government and that the New Building Canada Fund is back-end loaded so that the annual funding envelope gets larger several years out.

AMO understands that municipalities are eligible to apply for funding under all three funds depending on the project and its relation to the eligibility parameters. A guide to applying for NIC funding is available on the New Building Canada Plan web site.

At the same time, the federal government has announced today that it would be entering into discussions with the provinces and territories regarding the administration of the Small Communities Fund and would decide on projects for the PTIC funding jointly with the provinces and territories.

While the federal government has indicated that eligible proponents should contact their provincial ministries of infrastructure regarding PTIC and SCF projects, AMO expects that the Ontario Ministry of Infrastructure will announce additional details once discussions with the federal government have concluded. AMO is anxious to ensure the allocation for this year's BCF funding flows to projects as quickly as possible. We believe this is a shared objective of the provincial and federal governments and therefore they will move quickly to deal with the

administrative details.

AMO will update members on any new details as they become available.

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**TO THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF THE CLERK AND COUNCIL**

March 28, 2014

**AMO Report to Members****Highlights of the March 2014 Board Meeting**

To keep members informed, AMO provides updates on important issues considered at regular AMO Board of Directors' meetings. Highlights of the March 2014 Board meeting include:

**Canadian Anti-Spam Legislation (CASL)**

CASL was approved at the end of November 2013. The law applies to all commercial electronic messages (CEM), which includes emails, texts, voice, sound and instant messaging. AMO and other organizations have until July 1, 2014 to ensure that they are in compliance. All municipal governments are urged to review CASL with their corporate lawyer for their own services and operations so that any needed changes are in place prior to July 1, 2014. Enforcement by the CRTC is complaint driven and fines for organizations are up to \$10 million. Sending out any CEMs after July 1<sup>st</sup> will need either express or implied consent from the recipient. All CEMs must contain the senders contact information and an opt-out mechanism.

**Contact:** Nancy Plumridge, Director of Administration & Business Development, email: [nplumridge@amo.on.ca](mailto:nplumridge@amo.on.ca) Ext 324.

**Energy Task Force Update: Energy Pricing**

The Long Term Energy Plan and recent events make it clear that the rising energy costs are having a negative impact on economic development and households. The AMO Board will be corresponding with all three party leaders requesting they make reducing energy costs a priority. The letter will focus on getting more facts, improving governance of provincial level energy managers and deeper discussions on improved transmission, local generation, and the shoulder to shoulder delivery model. AMO members should continue to write their MPPs saying this is a vital issue for provincial action.

**Contact:** Cathie Brown, Senior Advisor, email: [cathiebrown@amo.on.ca](mailto:cathiebrown@amo.on.ca), Ext. 342.

**Aggregates: Standing Committee Report**

Recently there was a Standing Committee review of the *Aggregates Resources Act* and a Ministry of Natural Resources response outlining their intended actions. AMO will follow up with the Minister of Natural Resources in support of improved information, communications

and mapping, and better adherence to the planning process including all site plan amendments, when pits are reactivated and during rehabilitation. Members should be aware that potential fee increases will be considered by MNR in the near future.

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### **End-of-Life Vehicle (ELV) Processing**

The Board approved AMO's response to the Ministry of the Environment's discussion paper on proposed regulatory changes that would apply new environmental standards to ELV processing. AMO's response will include issues regarding the enforcement of the new regulations, abandoned ELV sites, proper disposal of hazardous liquids during ELV processing and the need for further discussion between the Province and stakeholders on ELV processing.

**Contact:** Nicholas Ruder, Policy Advisor, email: [nruder@amo.on.ca](mailto:nruder@amo.on.ca), Ext. 411.

### **Review of the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act***

The Board was provided an update on two recent developments concerning the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act* (AODA). First, the Province has commissioned an independent review to assess the effectiveness of the Act. Secondly, the Province is proposing changes to the Customer Service Standard. AMO will submit a response to provide input and feedback on both developments. AMO's Barrier Free Access Working Group will meet in April to consider a response.

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### **MEPCO Update**

MEPCO Chair shared information on the 2013 investment return of 6.5% (gross), which resulted in a marginally improved funded status for the plan (from 85.6% to 88.2%) and a funding deficit of \$8.6 billion. Given continuing funding uncertainty and historically high blended contribution rates (21.38%), MEPCO remains focused on measures that would get the plan out of deficit mode sooner and to keep contribution rates from increasing. At its March 17, 2014 meeting, the MEPCO Board discussed the OMERS investment strategy with the new OMERS OAC Board Chair, George Cooke and approved MEPCO's 2014 Work Plan.

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### **LAS Update**

LAS continues to provide value to the Ontario municipal sector. The LED Streetlight Retrofit Program has signed letters of intent with 33 municipalities with over 22,000 fixtures being upgraded. Natural gas prices are increasing significantly (40% or more) and are expected to remain high, whereas the LAS hedge price will remain at 15.9 cents/m<sup>3</sup> until Oct 2014 which is 20% lower. The LAS electricity hedge price of 2.83 cents/kwh is 8% lower than the default government pricing. 190 municipalities are using LAS's Energy Planning Tool in order to develop energy reports (Reg. 397-11) due July 1<sup>st</sup>. The One Investment Program continues to offer great returns for the Bond, Universe Corporate Bond, and Equity Portfolios. The LAS

Group Benefits Program has 33 members who have realized savings on average of 12%. This week's Asset Management Symposium was extremely successful with approximately 200 in attendance. LAS has partnered with MFOA to offer asset management training over the next three years as it has growing importance to Councils and infrastructure funding mechanisms.

**Contact:** Nancy Plumridge, President, email: [nplumridge@amo.on.ca](mailto:nplumridge@amo.on.ca) Ext 324; or Jason Hagan, Program Manager, email: [jhagan@amo.on.ca](mailto:jhagan@amo.on.ca), Ext 320.

### **2014 AMO Urban Symposium**

Only one week left to register for the upcoming 2014 AMO Urban Symposium "Connected Community" April 3 & 4, 2014 at the Waterloo Inn. Now in its seventh year of programming, this year's 1.5 day event will cover topics such as youth development, high-rise waste management, transit, child care, urban food and more. Visit the AMO website [www.amo.on.ca](http://www.amo.on.ca) for complete details on the event.

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**TO THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF THE CLERK AND COUNCIL**

April 1, 2014

**AMO's INTEREST ARBITRATION UPDATE**

As you will recall, in late November 2013, the Minister of Labour called on both municipal employers (through AMO and the Emergency Services Steering Committee) and employee associations (e.g. POA, OPPA, OPFFA) to come together and try to achieve an agreement on changes to the interest arbitration system. This was in response to the 2013 Throne Speech which stated, "As your government moves forward, Ontario's labour force will be treated fairly and with respect. It will sit down with its partners across all sectors to build a sustainable model for wage negotiation, respectful of both collective bargaining and a fair and transparent interest arbitration process, so that the brightness of our shared future is not clouded by the indisputable economic realities of our time".

Over the past several months, the employer and employee groups have met and exchanged proposals on what they believe interest arbitration legislation should look like. The employer group worked hard to find common ground and a meaningful solution to several matters, particularly capacity to pay.

Unfortunately, the parties have been unable to come to a consensus. Accordingly, it appears necessary to resume our efforts to seek necessary and meaningful legislative change through political advocacy. AMO and ESSC will continue to work together in these efforts. We appreciate the support of several local Chambers of Commerce, the Ontario Chamber itself along with others that seek changes to the interest arbitration system. AMO's members are reminded of the various resources we have produced previously on this topic, including a video that in plain language describes the interest arbitration process and what is happening to costs.

Yesterday, a report, "The Blue Line or the Bottom Line of Police Services in Canada" by Christian Leuprecht was released. Leuprecht was a panelist along with municipal and OPP representatives on the March 27th TVO segment, "Badges and Balancing Acts". It focused on the 'leap frog and me, too' approach of interest arbitration as it relates to the cost of service. The public and media are also seeing this week the annual "Sunshine List" that shows public sector employees earning more than \$100,000. As noted with the release of the Leuprecht report, of the 96,500 broader public sector employees who made the 2013 list, almost 75% were police, fire, and ambulance.

AMO's Board of Directors believes the time for legislative action to support the interests of property taxpayers and the financial well-being of municipal governments is now. Ontario communities cannot fund emergency services at the expense of other programs that also keep communities safe and strong. The Government of Ontario has a moral and practical



responsibility to help ensure that emergency service costs are affordable and sustainable.

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