

COUNTY OF RENFREW



**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS
of the
COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION
of the
COUNTY OF RENFREW**

- Eighth Ordinary Session -

County Council
Pembroke, Ontario
August 29, 2018

GENERAL SESSION

The General Session of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Renfrew met at 10:00 a.m. on August 29, 2018.

The Warden, Jennifer Murphy, presided.

The meeting opened with a moment of silent reflection and the singing of the National Anthem.

The roll was called and all members were found to be present except Councillors Doncaster and Millar. No pecuniary interest was disclosed.

Moved by: Councillor Visneskie Moore

Seconded by: Councillor Love

THAT the minutes of June 27, 2018 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED.

Warden Murphy addressed Council as follows:

As we gather in Chambers this morning I would like to acknowledge on behalf of Council and our community that we are meeting today on traditional territory of the First Nations. We would like to thank the Algonquin people and express our respect and support for their rich history. We are extremely grateful for their many and continued displays of friendship.

Members of County Council:

During the month of August, I attended 18 meetings on County business.

During the month, I continued taping COGECO segments on the Bonnechere Manor Gala, Fire Ban in place for all municipalities in Renfrew County and the municipal election and citizen engagement.

On August 2, 2018, I attended the grand opening of the new Castle Building Centre in Burnstown.

From August 19 – 22, 2018, I attended the AMO Conference held in Ottawa. As part of the conference, a meeting of the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus was held along with a joint meeting with the Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus. A joint meeting of the EOWC and WOWC was held with the Ontario Federation of Agriculture regarding the joint position paper on the expansion of natural gas as well as broadband/cell gap. The EOWC participated in a multi-ministerial meeting to bring to the Ministers attention issues such as the cellular network improvement project with the Eastern Ontario Regional Network (EORN), Eastern Ontario economic development strategy, facilitated expansion of natural gas, funding for affordable housing in rural areas, funding for roads and bridges, the offload delays at hospitals/ending hallway medicine, long-term care issues and Consolidated Municipal Service Manager (CMSM) municipal cost sharing.

On August 23, 2018, I attended the Summer Company Wrap-up event held at Owl Rafting in Forester's Falls.

I will remind those assembled here of the following - the County of Renfrew, Experience our history, Share our future.

This concludes my address for this session of County Council.

Jennifer Murphy, Warden

Moved by: Councillor Visneskie Moore
Seconded by: Councillor Reid

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council move into a closed meeting pursuant to Section 239 of the Municipal regarding a personal matter related to an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees (CAO Recruitment): Time: 10:06 a.m.

CARRIED.

Moved by: Councillor Reinwald
Seconded by: Councillor Visneskie Moore

THAT this resume as an open session of County Council. Time: 10:22 a.m.

CARRIED.

Moved by: Councillor Visneskie Moore
Seconded by: Councillor Peckett

THAT County Council appoint Mr. Paul Moreau to the position of Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk for the County of Renfrew effective September 29, 2018; AND FURTHER THAT the By-Law to Appoint a Chief Administrative Officer and to Define the Duties Thereof and the By-law to Appoint a Clerk be brought forward to the September meeting of County Council.

CARRIED.

Delegations were heard as follows:

Warden Murphy vacated the Chair and Councillor Emon assumed the role of Chair for the report presented by Mr. Giorno.

(a) 10:30 a.m. – Mr. Guy W. Giorno, Fasken Martineau, Integrity Commissioner.

Council recessed at 10:45 a.m. Council reconvened at 10:55 a.m. with the same persons present.

Warden Murphy assumed the role of Chair.

(b) 11:30 a.m. – Introduction of County of Renfrew Summer Students.

Councillor Robert Sweet, Chair of the Development & Property Committee, brought in and read the resolutions of the following report and the Addendum to the Report:

August 29, 2018

To the Council of the Corporation
of the County of Renfrew

Members of County Council:

We, your **Development & Property Committee**, wish to report and recommend as follows:

INFORMATION

1. Planning Division Activity Tracker

Tabled are the Activity Trackers for June and July 2018. In June, the Planning Division opened 12 new severance applications and prepared 19 planning checklists for general inquiries (pre-consultations). In July, the Planning Division opened 11 new severance applications and prepared 12 planning checklists for general inquiries

For the period January – July 2018, the County of Renfrew opened 81 severance applications compared to 94 over the same period in 2017. With respect to decisions, 66 decisions were rendered from January – July 2018 compared to 79 rendered over the same period in 2017.

In June the Planning Division final approved one subdivision of 17 units for the Town of Petawawa, draft approved one subdivision of 30 units for the Township of McNab/Braeside and one subdivision was applied for in the Township of Laurentian Valley. In July, two part lot control exemption by-laws were approved for the Town of Petawawa and the Township of Bonnechere Valley and Official Plan Amendment No. 11 was approved for the Town of Renfrew.

2. Economic Development Website

The new economic development website, on a Wordpress platform, is in a draft form on a demo site. Staff is loading on new content, data, graphics and features, and refining and updating business sector and municipal profiles. New features will include a Business Calendar of Events; a Job and Career Board featuring opportunities in all employment sectors across the County; County of Renfrew Investment and Business Opportunities (CORIBO) listings; and feature videos and rolling corporate and business news items. The new site is www.investrenfrewcounty.com.

3. Visitor Information Centre Staff FAM Tour

Visitor Information Centre (VIC) staff took part in the annual 3-day Customer Service Training and Familiarization (FAM) tour June 25 - 27, 2018.

The annual tour is an opportunity for the VIC Staff to increase their product knowledge and to experience first-hand the activities and businesses they are actively promoting to the visitors who stop in at their booths. The tour rotates annually between the Highway 60 and 17 corridors, with 2018 featuring experiences along the Highway 60 corridor.

Ottawa Valley Tourist Association (OVTA) members and stops on the tour included: Bonnechere Caves, McCrae Lookout in Eganville (with an update from the Eganville and Area Community Development Group), whitewater rafting with OWL Rafting, a tour and tasting at Coronation Cider Hall in Bristol, Québec, a visit to the Sands on Golden Lake, a watercolour workshop with Joyce Burkholder, a hike and tour at Deacon's Escarpment, lunch at the Wilno Tavern, a visit to the Polish Kashub Heritage Museum, and sampling of the Ottawa Valley Maple Adventure provided by The Deakins on Mountainview Bed & Breakfast. Transportation was provided by Discount Car and Truck Rentals in Pembroke.

4. 2018 Summer Company Student Entrepreneurs

Enterprise Renfrew County (ERC) succeeded in reaching the target of six (6) Summer Company student businesses as allocated by the Ontario Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade. Our 2018 Summer Company Student entrepreneurs are:

- **Nathan Boor: NB Computers, Deep River.** Nathan builds custom computers for gaming, media, and general use in addition to offering computer repair.
- **Corbin Brydges: Corbin's Firewood, Arnprior.** Corbin can supply you with all your winter heating, cottage or campfire needs.
- **Daniel Fritzsche: Focus Photoprint, Deep River.** Daniel will take your photo and create a 3D printed lithophane, which is a three-dimensional image that changes according to the intensity and quality of the light striking the photo.
- **Samuel Kuehl: Sharn Craftworks, Arnprior.** Samuel offers 2D and 3D carved wooden items such as signs, intricate tops for memory boxes, wooden picture of your child or a pet and will also do custom work using a CNC machine.
- **Paige Mask: Paige Micalea Esthetics, Barry's Bay.** Paige provides aesthetic services such as manicures, pedicures, acrylic and gel nail application, waxing, lash and brow tint, lash lifting, lash extensions, henna tattooing and bridal and special occasion makeup.

- **Connor Robinson: Valley Tech Repair, Douglas.** Connor provides cell phone screen repair/replacement from his home and at various venues in the Douglas and Renfrew area.

5. Starter Company Plus Successful Funding Applicants

The Starter Company Review Committee approved two grants in June. The first to Ms. Jean Hughes who purchased Renfrew Printing Ltd. in Renfrew. This is an example of the value of the Starter Company Plus program supporting business succession by enabling entrepreneurs to purchase an existing business. This is a key ingredient to a successful business retention strategy.

The second grant approved was to Ms. Margaret Ann Griffith who offers prepared natural food, made with their own beef, and vegetables from their garden. The entrees are fully cooked and frozen, just thaw and heat.

On July 31, 2018, the Committee approved a grant to Ms. Leslie Ann Wirth who will open Good Food to Go in Arnprior, which will serve freshly made, delicious and nutritious food by take-out.

6. Bridges to Better Business

Tabled is an information flyer for the next Bridges to Better Business scheduled at the Best Western Pembroke Inn & Conference Centre from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 17, 2018.

7. Upgrades to Algonquin and K&P Trails

In 2018, with the assistance of the Ontario Municipal Commuter Cycling (OMCC) funding, the County of Renfrew was able to upgrade approximately 23 kms of trail including stone dust application. The County has received notification from the Province that the OMCC multi-year funding model has been discontinued.

8. County of Renfrew Energy Management Plan

An updated County of Renfrew Energy Management Plan (EMP) was brought forward at the June Development & Property Committee meeting. The Plan was tabled as a result of some additional direction and suggestions for the EMP at the meeting. The EMP was circulated to County Council as well for additional input. These items will be brought forward to the Green Operations and Asset Management Committee. Discussion items for review include:

- The role of the County as a leader in energy management and Green House Gas (GHG) reduction.

- Leadership in projects including: Solar Power, electric/hybrid vehicles, charging stations.
- Involvement with lower-tier municipalities for training opportunities and sharing of best practices.
- Promotion of the Algonquin Trail.
- The role of the Energy Management Plan, if any, as part of the County of Renfrew Strategic Plan.

In addition to these discussion points, the EMP will also be affected by the future direction and policies of the new Provincial Government.

**ADDENDUM TO
DEVELOPMENT & PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT
AUGUST 29, 2018**

INFORMATION

9. Traxton Subdivision

Tabled is correspondence from Jp2g Consultants Inc. requesting approval of a drainage easement over the Algonquin Trail for Traxton Holdings Ltd. subdivision at Part Lots 11, 12 & 13, Concession 2, FAL in the geographic Township of Pembroke, Township of Laurentian Valley. Staff will be working with Jp2g Consultants Inc. and the Township and will bring forward a recommendation at a later date.

10. 2018 and Ontario Municipal Commuter Cycling (OMCC) Funding Work Plan

As part of the 2018 work, the following sections of the Algonquin Trail will be complete by the end of August.

- (a) **Pembroke/Laurentian Valley:** One kilometre east of TV Tower Road in the City of Pembroke to the Forest Lea Road Bridge.
- (b) **Laurentian Hills:** From Main Street in Chalk River westerly 1.7 kilometres.
- (c) **Whitewater Region:** From Astrolabe Road to 1.6 kilometres east of Turcotte Road.
- (d) **Horton/Renfrew:** The section from McBride Road to the Bonnechere River Bridge in the Town of Renfrew.
- (e) **Arnprior:** The section from Daniel Street to Lanark County.

(f) **County of Renfrew:** Forest Lea Road Bridge to Murphy Road.

Approximately \$100,000 remains in OMCC funding. The Algonquin Trail Advisory Committee approved further work on the Trail in the Township of McNab/Braeside from Usborne Street to the Golf Club Road area as well as a section of trail in the City of Pembroke from Pembroke Street West to College Way.

RESOLUTIONS

11. Ottawa Valley Recreational Trail

RESOLUTION NO. DP-CC-18-08-66

Moved by Chair
Seconded by Committee

THAT County Council approves the renaming of the Trail from Ottawa Valley Recreation Trail to Ottawa Valley Recreational Trail.

Background

In June 2016, the Ottawa Valley Recreation Trail (OVRT) Committee approved the name of the entire trail as the Ottawa Valley Recreational Trail.

County Council, in August 2016, passed the following resolution naming the CP Corridor as the Ottawa Valley Recreation Trail:

“THAT County Council approves the official name for the 296 km Canadian Pacific (CP) corridor which runs from Lanark County through Renfrew County to the Township of Papineau-Cameron as the Ottawa Valley Recreation Trail; AND FURTHER THAT the individual Partners retain the right to name their separate sections of the trail.”

It was noted that there are inconsistencies with the name of the trail amongst the Partners and the OVRT Committee passed the following resolution.

“RESOLUTION NO. OVRT-18-05-07

Moved by: Mayor Corriveau

Seconded by: Councillor Kidd

*THAT the Ottawa Valley Recreation Trail be renamed Ottawa Valley Recreational Trail.
CARRIED.”*

This rewording is solely administrative in nature and requires the approval of County Council.

BY-LAWS

12. Town of Petawawa – Twinning of Algonquin Trail

RESOLUTION NO. DP-CC-18-08-67

Moved by Chair
Seconded by Committee

THAT County Council approves the twinning of the Algonquin Trail in the Town of Petawawa; AND FURTHER THAT County Council pass a By-law to enter into a Land Use Agreement with the Town of Petawawa.

Background

Tabled is a proposed twinning of the Algonquin Trail within the Town of Petawawa from Town Centre Boulevard to Murphy Road. Staff has reviewed the proposed twinning and have no issues. The Development & Property Committee recommends that the County of Renfrew proceed with finalizing a Land Use Agreement with the Town of Petawawa.

13. North Renfrew Snowmobile Club Agreement

RESOLUTION NO. DP-CC-18-08-68

Moved by Chair
Seconded by Committee

THAT County Council pass a By-law to amend Schedule “I” of By-law Number 106-17, being a By-law to execute land use agreements with multiple snowmobile clubs and the Snow Country Snowmobile Association for a period of five years commencing December 1, 2017 to April 30, 2022 to include an additional section of the Algonquin Trail for the North Renfrew Snowmobile Club.

Background

The County of Renfrew has been approached by the North Renfrew Snowmobile Club requesting access to a longer section of the Algonquin Trail, in the vicinity of Moore Lake Road in the Town of Laurentian Hills. Tabled is an outline of the proposed additional 776 metres section of the Algonquin Trail to be used by the snowmobile club. This proposed extension will become part of Schedule “I” of By-law Number 106-17, being a By-law to execute land use agreements with multiple snowmobile clubs.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Robert Sweet, Chair

And Committee Members: P. Emon, D. Farr, S. Keller, G. McKay, T. Millar, J. Murphy.

The Report and Addendum were adopted as presented.

Councillor Janice Visneskie Moore, Chair of the Health Committee, brought in and read the resolutions of the following report:

August 29, 2018

To the Council of the Corporation
of the County of Renfrew

Members of County Council:

We, your **Health Committee**, wish to report and recommend as follows:

INFORMATION

1. Resident Population

We wish to advise that our resident population as of the date of our last committee meeting is as follows:

POPULATION			
HOME	May 31, 2018	June 30, 2018	July 31, 2018
Bonnechere Manor	179	179	179
Miramichi Lodge	165	166	162
TOTAL	344	345	341

2. Champlain Local Health Integration Network Home and Community Care Waitlist

We wish to advise that the Champlain Local Health Integration Network Home and Community Care resident waitlist for the Renfrew County long-term care homes for the months of April, May and June 2018 are as follows:

NUMBER OF CLIENTS ON WAITLIST			
Long-Term Care Home	April 2018	May 2018	June 2018
Bonnechere Manor	204	206	208
Caessant Care Cobden	91	95	92
Deep River & District Hospital – The Four Seasons Lodge	50	49	50
Grove (The) Arnprior & District Nursing Home	89	83	88
Groves Park Lodge	166	163	160
Marianhill Inc	197	174	174
Miramichi Lodge	305	295	309
North Renfrew Long-Term Care Services Inc.	73	70	78
Valley Manor Inc.	54	55	57

3. Community Paramedic Secretariat

The North East Health Integration Network has provided funding in the amount of \$225,769 for 2018/19 and \$221,100 for 2019/20 to support the operation of a Provincial Community Paramedicine Secretariat. The Community Paramedicine Secretariat will work towards building a community of practice for community paramedicine and further develop the existing models of care in Ontario. The funding will be managed through the Mount Sinai Health System. The Secretariat will provide opportunities to evaluate and integrate Community Paramedicine to further align with the Patients First Act of Ontario.

4. Sierra Team Training

The County of Renfrew Paramedic Service Sierra Team held a training session June 28, 2018 focusing on a CBRN emergency (Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear) in partnership with the Town of Renfrew Fire Department and the Renfrew Victoria Hospital.

The scenario simulated a farm site chemical exposure of four victims using full decontamination techniques approved by Ontario's Emergency Medical Assistance Team, (EMAT). The newly developed decontamination process was incorporated into the scenario providing access to equipment necessary to successfully complete the scenario.

5. Silver Chain Challenge Update

The County of Renfrew has won the 2018 Silver Chain Challenge. This year, 4340 participants logged 88,828 km of cycling, walking or running throughout the month of June. The statistics are all available online at <http://silverchainchallenge.ca/scc/stats> and are tracked by municipality, showing the population, number of participants, the distances they logged, and the percent of population taking part.

Overall, the County of Renfrew, with 3155 participants, topped Lanark with 1185. After adjustment for population, (the County of Renfrew has 102,394 and Lanark has 68,698), the County of Renfrew emerged the winner. On a municipal basis, Mississippi Mills logged the most distance with 16,613.4 km while Arnprior had the most participants (1273) and finished second in distance with 16,434.5 km. Deep River, with just 4109 residents had 361 participants, had the second highest participation rate and logged 10,562.9 km, accounting for 16% of total km. Whitewater Region, had 234 participants, logged 8841.2 km, and accounted for 14% of total km. Pembroke, where the Krista Johnson Memorial "Run for Change" was held, had 344 participants that accounted for approximately 20% of total km and logged 12,705.8 km. Laurentian Valley logged 5,280.8 km and accounted for 8% of total km. Congratulations and thank you to all participants.

6. Paramedic Service Vehicles

The Service is investigating anti-idling technology to reduce both environmental impact and fuel expenses by actively monitoring both battery capacity and vehicle ambient temperature. The device being reviewed is a computerized monitoring system that interfaces directly with the vehicle battery and engine system. When a vehicle is placed in park, a computer actively monitors cabin temperature and battery voltage. If the temperature and voltage are within the pre-set ranges, the vehicles engine will turn off. After the engine has turned off, the computer continues to monitor the system and once the temperature or voltage fall outside the optimal range, the engine turns back on until the vehicle regains optimal ranges. If the computer system detects any faults with the battery or engine it will automatically disable and return to non-idle functionality. The following benefits can be achieved:

- Reduce fuel consumption
- Reduce carbon emissions
- Compatible with both diesel and gasoline engines
- Active monitoring of battery banks
- Provides individual vehicle statistic reports.

7. Seasonal Surge Results

The County of Renfrew Paramedic Service lead a Community Paramedic Seasonal Surge project in collaboration with Cornwall, Prescott & Russell, Lanark, Ottawa and Leeds Grenville Paramedic Services. The County of Renfrew Service initiated a toll-free number for non-urgent paramedic response to individual homes, wellness clinics, flu shots, clinical practices and education that all supported statistically the reduction in 911 calls. The Service also worked with hospital discharge patients, helping to reduce readmissions. This information was provided to hospital staff who were impressed with the results. The Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) has requested that the Service complete a proposal for ongoing Community Paramedicine funding to support the implementation of Community Paramedic patient care records for integration into the CHRIS System; enable access to ConnectingOntario for all Paramedic Services in the region; and to support the creation of an evaluation framework that utilizes paramedic service and system level data to assure that diversion impact is effectively measured.

8. Bissett Creek Fire Support

The County of Renfrew experienced four significant bush fires in the Pembroke fire zone initiating a major response from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNR). The firefighting response and the hot weather posed a significant risk to frontline firefighters. The County of Renfrew Paramedic Sierra Team provided support to these efforts.

Paramedics arrived July 26, 2018 at the MNRF's base camp for orientation and an interagency training session. They remained on-site and on-staff providing support for 12 to 14 hours daily through to the end of the day on August 1, 2018, treating multiple patients including limb injuries, heat exhaustion and medical conditions related to cardiac events; requiring coordination with MNRF staff for patient evacuation for further treatment. Many other minor medical problems were also treated.

Paramedic staff were gratefully received and acknowledged by the MNRF and frontline firefighters and management, many who were from Mexico, the USA and other provinces, receiving personal thanks for their presence and support on the firefighting frontline.

9. Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care Changes in Long-Term Care Home Accommodation Charges

Tabled for Council's information is the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care new rate changes to resident co-payments.

10. New Base Funding for Reducing the Rate of Falls and Fall Related Injuries

On May 22, 2018, Dr. Helena Jaczek, the previous Minister of Health and Long-Term Care announced up to \$7,823,300 in base funding in the 2018-19 funding year for falls and injury prevention in the long-term care (LTC) home sector. This investment is targeted to help reduce the number of falls and fall related injuries in LTC homes and promote increased mobility and enhanced safety and quality of life for LTC residents. The Champlain Local Health Integration Network did not send individual funding letters consistent with other Local Health Integration Networks but referred staff to the Falls Prevention Equipment Funding Policy which is tabled.

The funding amount is \$100 per bed per year effective July 1, 2018 for the period of April 1, 2018 to March 2019 and for every 12 month period thereafter for every licensed or approved bed in each eligible LTC home. This funding is limited to a prescribed list of falls and injury prevention equipment for LTC homes residents based on the assessed need and the plan of care for each resident.

The expectation is that the additional funds will help reduce the number of fall related injuries in LTC homes, promote increased mobility and enhance safety and quality of life for residents. Unfortunately, the items specified by the Ministry are not preventative in nature. For example, the list includes wheelchairs and walkers versus what the Homes need such as high/low beds and sit to stand lifts. Consequently, AdvantAge Ontario has followed up with senior staff in the Ministry who have indicated that they are open to considering other suggested additional falls equipment so the Long-Term Care Homes have provided that feedback.

The new base funding for reducing the rate of falls and fall related injuries will equate to Bonnechere Manor receiving \$13,500 and Miramichi Lodge receiving \$12,450 for the 2018 budget year.

Long-Term Care homes will be eligible for this funding every year as long as they meet the terms, conditions and accountability requirements outlined in the Falls Prevention Equipment Funding Policy on the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care's public website.

11. Fundraising Coordinator

Mrs. Donna Cotnam, Community Relations Coordinator, Miramichi Lodge has tendered her retirement notice effective September 14, 2018. The Health Committee would like to thank Mrs. Cotnam for her many years of dedicated service while helping to raise funds for the residents of Miramichi Lodge.

Further to one of the goals regarding the restructuring of Long-Term Care with respect to enhanced consistency and standardization between the two homes where possible, one full-time Fundraising Coordinator position shared between the two Homes has been accepted by Ms. Claire Ullrich. Ms. Ullrich, who currently works part-time at Bonnechere Manor as the Fundraising Coordinator, will commence her new position effective September 4, 2018.

12. Fundraising Events

"Women Who Work" in Renfrew County - whether in the home, outside of the home, retired or volunteer, are invited to join us on September 26th (Bonnechere Manor) or September 27th (Miramichi Lodge) for a fun evening of socializing, a signature drink, delicious appetizers served by local 'celebrities', swag bags, a silent auction, and more! Motivational guest speaker Darci Lang will share with you how to live your best life, do your job, and connect with the people who matter most, to the fullest. These evenings will be all about celebrating the women who help make Renfrew County the best place to live, work and play. Tickets are available for purchase for only \$50.00 online or at the reception desk of the applicable Home with proceeds going towards enhancing the quality of lives of our residents who live in the long-term care homes.

Tabled are posters outlining the events or contact Claire Ullrich, Fundraising Coordinator at 613-432-4873 ext. 1252 or cullrich@countyofrenfrew.on.ca for more information.

13. Renfrew County and District Public Health Unit Inspection

On June 6, 2018 Ms. Margaret Coady, Public Health Inspector with the Renfrew County and District Health Unit inspected the main kitchen and servery areas at the Manor to which there were no areas of non-compliance reported. Comments received were "Premise is maintained in excellent condition. A very thorough inspection was

completed of the main kitchen and all of the peripheral serveries". Ms. Cayla McNulty, Food Services Supervisor and all Food Services staff are recognized for their diligence.

14. Bonnechere Manor Senior's Month Art Show

The Bonnechere Manor residents that participate in the weekly art classes lead by volunteer artist, Ms. Diana Wakely, showcased over 30 pieces of art work at the Renfrew Library during the month of June for Senior's month. An on-line news article including a video was posted by the Renfrew Mercury on May 28, 2108.

15. Letters of Gratitude

Tabled are two letters received from family members expressing their appreciation for the excellent care given to their love ones while residing at Bonnechere Manor. The Health Committee thanks all staff members for their continued dedication and commitment to quality resident care at the Manor.

16. Bonnechere Manor Variety Show

The Bonnechere Manor Auxiliary will be hosting a Variety Show on Sunday, September 9, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the Renfrew Rotary Hall. Tickets are only \$10.00 a person and will include dessert and entertainment by many local artists. All proceeds raised will be utilized to enhance resident programming. For tickets or more information please contact the receptionist at Bonnechere Manor, 613-432-4873 ext. 0.

17. Bonnechere Manor Foundation

The 2nd annual Bonnechere Manor Foundation Gala tickets are now on sale for \$125 per person. The Gala will be at Bonnechere Manor on October 20, 2018. For a chance to win two tickets to see the Elton John Final World Tour 2018 at the Canadian Tire Centre in Ottawa, tickets need to be purchased by August 31, 2018 to have your name entered in the early-bird draw.

For more details please contact Claire Ullrich, Fundraising Coordinator at 613-432-4873 ext. 1252 or cullrich@countyofrenfrew.on.ca.

18. Rogers Communication Cellular Tower

On June 1, 2015, the County of Renfrew/Miramichi Lodge entered into a Lease Agreement with Rogers Communication for the installation of a Cellular Telephone Tower on an unused portion of Miramichi Lodge property. The construction project was delayed by Rogers and as a result, an amended Lease Agreement effective August 1, 2017 resulted in Rogers paying half of the annual rent, in the amount of \$583.34, until the site was built. On June 6, 2018 the final piece of the tower was put into place realizing the full monthly income of \$1168.88 plus GST towards Miramichi Lodge's operations.

19. Neighborhood Door Project

The front door of a home is often a significant marker that speaks to the inhabitant's individuality and personal tastes. Miramichi Lodge is taking advantage of the successes realized from a project in the Netherlands. The project involved providing a unique front door decal for each resident as an opportunity for the expression of individuality as a key tenant of person-centred care.

This pilot project is about to launch on resident home area (RHA) 1A thanks to the funds received from Miramichi Lodge Foundation as well as a donation made in memory of Mr. Willard Verch. Each resident or designate will participate in the selection of the door image. Once the image is selected, the transformation of each door is accomplished with a life size digital image decal being applied directly to the resident's door.

The Bonnechere Manor Pinnacle Steering Committee is giving consideration to implementing this same project, pending the outcome of the pilot at the Lodge.

RESOLUTIONS

20. Emergency Services Budgetary Pressures

RESOLUTION NO. H-CC-18-08-65

Moved by Chair
Seconded by Committee

THAT County Council authorize the Director of Emergency Services to apply the option of removing the County of Renfrew vehicles from further response within the City of Ottawa. Further, that Emergency Services staff be directed to review operational savings related to cost pressures associated with WSIB and overtime costs.

Background

In anticipation of budget pressures associated to WSIB and related end of shift overtime costs, the Emergency Services Department is projecting a budget deficit of \$396,000.

In 2016, the Provincial Government passed legislation to create a presumption that post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) diagnosed in first responders is work-related. Under the Supporting Ontario's First Responders Act, the presumption allows for faster access to WSIB benefits, resources and timely treatment. Once a first responder is diagnosed with PTSD by either a psychiatrist or a psychologist, the claims process to be eligible for WSIB benefits will be expedited, without the need to prove a causal link between PTSD and a workplace event. The presumption applies to police officers, firefighters, paramedics, certain workers in correctional institutions and secure youth

justice facilities, dispatchers of police, firefighter and ambulance services, and emergency response teams.

Over the past year, the Service has been able to reduce overtime by maintaining a list of part-time and casual employees to fill gaps for vacation and sick time coverage. We continue to face challenges with end-of-shift overtime as a result of staff being caught up in out of area calls, unable to return to base. These hours have increased by 40% in the last seven years for a total of \$246,766. This also has an impact on paramedic stress, and fatigue that often relates to increased sick leave.

Because of these budgetary pressures, the Service will be notifying the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care of the forecasted deficit and seeking their assistance for financial relief. In addition, we recommend that Council support the adoption of a recommendation from the Municipality of Prescott Russell related to intermunicipal call response, and that staff be directed to submit a revised deployment plan reflecting this change to deployment to the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care for immediate implementation.

21. Funding for Additional Registered Nurses in the Long-Term Care Home Sector

RESOLUTION NO. H-CC-18-08-69

Moved by Chair
Seconded by Committee

THAT County Council approve that the new provincial funding “Additional Registered Nurse (RN) in Long-Term Care (LTC)” in the amount of \$79,552 beginning in the fiscal year 2018-19 annualizing to \$106,000 beginning in 2019-20 is utilized by temporarily increasing part-time Personal Support Worker (PSW) hours at Bonnechere Manor by an additional 9.11 per day until June 30, 2020.

RESOLUTION NO. H-CC-18-08-70

Moved by Chair
Seconded by Committee

THAT County Council approve that the previously approved increase in the part time Personal Support Worker hours within Miramichi Lodge of an additional eight (8) hours per day effective July 1, 2018, be temporarily increased to 9.11 hours per day and funded from the provincial “Additional Registered Nurse (RN) in Long-Term Care (LTC)” in the amount of \$79,552 beginning in the fiscal year 2018-19 annualizing to \$106,000 beginning in 2019-20 funding until June 30, 2020. FURTHER THAT the previous resolution number be rescinded (withdrawing funding from surplus funds for recommended Personal Support Worker hours).

Background

The Champlain Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) advised on June 21, 2018 that both Bonnechere Manor and Miramichi Lodge have been approved to receive new base funding of \$79,552 beginning in fiscal year 2018-19 annualizing to \$106,000 beginning in 2019-20 to hire an additional Registered Nurse (RN) in each long-term care home. Attached as Appendix I are the notifications from the LHIN and the business cases. To accept the funding, the conditions on which it is provided and the Home's agreement to the amendment of the Long-Term Care Home Service Accountability Agreement (LSAA) required the signing of the documents and returned to the LHIN by the due date of June 26, 2018, which has been completed.

While we value the role of Registered Nurses in long-term care, the County of Renfrew and the City of Pembroke funds RNs greater than the Long-Term Care Homes Act/Regulations minimum RN staffing requirement for many years. Consequently, our priority need at this time is to increase PSW (full) staffing in order to meet resident direct personal care needs such as bathing, feeding, transferring and so on. The Home sought and received confirmation that the above "Additional RN funding" can be used for this purpose for the next two years:

Excerpt email from Ifeolu Ogunyankin, Team Lead, Financial Policies and Procedures Unit, LTCHD, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care to Mrs. Shelley Sheedy, Director of Long-Term Care received July 26, 2018.

- Can I hire a PSW during the phase in period? **Yes, the fund is primarily for Registered Nurses. However, during the two-year phase in period, a home may use the allocation to supplement other direct care staff categories including Nurses and PSWs. The objective is to increase the hours of direct care provided to residents and to allow time for hiring an RN.**
- Can you confirm if funding has received the "necessary appropriations from the legislature"? **Yes.**

BY-LAWS

22. Secondment Agreement – Canadian Foundation for Health Care Improvement (CHFI)

RESOLUTION NO. H-CC-18-08-66

Moved by Chair
Seconded by Committee

THAT County Council pass a By-law authorizing the Warden and Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk to enter into an agreement with the Canadian Foundation for Health Care Improvement (CHFI) to support the practice of Community Paramedic-lead palliative care during a one-year secondment.

Background

The Canadian Foundation for Health Care Improvement (CHFI) has agreed to fully fund a one-year secondment of Acting Commander Amber Hultink to lead a National Community Paramedic Palliative Care initiative.

Acting Commander Hultink has led the Community Paramedic portfolio for the County of Renfrew for the past year. She has excelled at both staff and community engagements. Her organizational skills and process management have addressed many opportunities to streamline our service delivery.

In her new role with the Canadian Foundation for Health Care Improvement, Acting Commander Hultink will be instrumental in assisting Paramedic Services across Canada to design, develop and deliver Community Paramedic Palliative Care Programs as part of the National Community Paramedic Palliative Care initiative.

This opportunity is representative of the leadership that staff at the County of Renfrew have demonstrated to local, provincial, national and international organizations. The experience that she will gain over the next year will be invaluable to the County of Renfrew for career progression and succession planning. The experience and expertise that she will bring back will further the development of the services we provide our communities. This temporary reassignment will be backfilled with acting staff, further allowing the Emergency Services department to provide succession opportunities to new candidates.

23. Bonnechere Manor and Miramichi Lodge Ontario Nurses' Association (ONA) Local 174 Collective Agreement

RESOLUTION NO. H-CC-18-08-71

Moved by Chair

Seconded by Committee

THAT County Council adopt Employment By-law #3, a By-law to amend By-law 40-12 the Collective Agreement with the Ontario Nurses' Association (ONA) Local 174, Bonnechere Manor and Miramichi Lodge for a Collective Agreement effective April 1, 2016 to and including March 31, 2018.

Background

Negotiations occurred between the Homes and the Ontario Nurses' Association (ONA) Local 174 on June 21 and 22, 2018, and a settlement was reached for a Collective Agreement effective April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2018. We are pleased to advise that both the Union and the Employer have ratified this Collective Agreement.

The Health Committee recognizes the work of the Employer's negotiating committee led by Shelley Sheedy, Director of Long-Term Care and including Bruce Beakley, Director of

Human Resources, Mike Blackmore, Administrator, Jennifer White, Director of Care, and Sandra Blok and Colin Howard, Administration Supervisors.

24. Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) Local 3586 Miramichi Lodge Collective Agreement

RESOLUTION NO. H-CC-18-08-72

Moved by Chair
Seconded by Committee

THAT County Council adopt Employment By-law #5, a By-law to amend By-law 26-14 the collective agreement with the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) Local 3586, Miramichi Lodge for a Collective Agreement effective January 1, 2017 to and including December 31, 2019.

Background

The Miramichi Lodge Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) Local 3586 Collective Agreement was ratified by both the Union and Employer for an agreement that is effective January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2019. The employer's negotiating committee was led by Bruce Beakley, Director of Human Resources including Shelley Sheedy, Director of Long-Term Care, Mike Blackmore, Administrator, Colin Howard, Administration Supervisor and Jennifer White, Director of Care.

**ADDENDUM TO
HEALTH COMMITTEE REPORT
August 29, 2018**

RESOLUTIONS

25. Paramedic Services 2018 Budget – WSIB Claims Expenses

RESOLUTION NO. H-CC-18-08-77

Moved by Chair
Seconded by Committee

THAT County Council approve that the 2018 Budget for the Paramedic Services Department be revised to reflect \$800,000 higher WSIB claims and other staffing expenses; AND FURTHER THAT there be an additional transfer from the Paramedic Reserves within the 2018 Budget to fund these higher expenses so as not to alter the net 2018 County tax levy of \$43,984,534; AND FURTHER that the actual County share of any 2018 year end deficit within the Paramedic Services Department be funded first from the 2018 General Revenue Fund Surplus, if available.

Background

The Province of Ontario requires that all Service Managers submit a Planning Document on an annual basis providing detailed financial information including:

- 2017 Council Approved Budget adjusted for PSAB
- 2018 Council Approved Budget adjusted for PSAB
- 2018 Actual Expenditures Year-To-Date for the period January 1 – July 31, 2018
- 2018 Forecasted Expenditures (12 months)

This year the Planning Document report deadline is September 7, 2018. The Province will use the 2018 Council Approved Budget information within this document to calculate their 50% subsidy for the following fiscal period (2019), after adjusting for an inflationary allowance for wages, benefits and operating expenses. Although municipalities provide additional information on YTD and forecasted expenditures, the Province does not use this information for subsidy calculation purposes.

On April 6, 2016, Bill 163 received royal assent. This Act allows faster access to WSIB compensation and proper treatment for first responders. Under presumptive legislation, if an emergency services worker covered by the presumption is diagnosed, it would be presumed to be work-related and the worker's claim would be accepted. Schedule 2 municipal employers (including the County of Renfrew) will pay for the actual presumptive PTSD claim costs as well as the WSIB administrative fees. As reported to this Committee by the Treasurer at our April 2018 meeting, our actual December 2017 WSIB expenses exceeded our anticipated costs by \$145,000, with almost half of that pressure coming in the month of December 2017 alone. The 2018 County of Renfrew Budget adopted in January 2018 did not anticipate this sudden rise in PTSD related WSIB claims costs. Our June 2018 Financial Statements continue to reflect this trend with actual WSIB expenses exceeding our anticipated costs by \$184,000. In addition, we are required by the Municipal Act to conduct an actuarial valuation of our WSIB liabilities for present and future awards every 3 years. Our last review was conducted in December 2015, prior to the introduction of Bill 163. Our anticipated costs for 2018 were based on an actuarial forecast of WSIB claims and we are concerned that the scheduled 2018 actuarial review will reveal substantially greater year-end liabilities, placing even more pressure on 2018 expenditures.

On August 8, 2018, the Treasurer received confirmation from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care representatives that there will be no further funding available in 2018 to offset our rising claims expenses, and that our earliest opportunity to report these new financial pressures and claim a 50% subsidy by the Province will be on September 7th within the Planning Document.

Staff are recommending that we amend our 2018 County of Renfrew budget to include \$800,000 in additional expenses related to higher WSIB claims and other staffing expenses to ensure that the 2018 Council Approved Budget information provided within the Provincial Planning Document on September 7, 2018 includes these higher expenses

and that the 50% provincial subsidy in 2019 be calculated based on these higher costs as well. In addition, staff will bring forward to the September 2018 Health Committee meeting cost mitigation options for Committee consideration.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

Janice Visneskie Moore, Chair

And Committee Members: G. Doncaster, M. Donohue, R. Kingsbury, K. Love, J. Murphy and R. Reid.

The Report and Addendum were adopted as presented.

Councillor Walter Stack, Chair of the **Finance & Administration Committee**, brought in and read the resolutions of the following report:

August 29, 2018

To the Council of the Corporation
Of the County of Renfrew

Members of County Council:

We, your **Finance & Administration Committee**, wish to report and recommend as follows:

INFORMATION

1. **Council Remuneration**

Tabled is the Treasurer's Statement of Remuneration and Expenses paid to County Council as at June 30, 2018 and July 31, 2018.

2. **Treasurer's Report – June 30, 2018**

As directed by County Council, the Treasurer's Report is to be provided on a quarterly basis from January to September. Accordingly, tabled is the June 30, 2018 Treasurer's Report for the General Revenue Fund, Bonnechere Manor, Miramichi Lodge, Public Works and Renfrew County Housing Corporation. In addition, the monthly one page financial summary is tabled.

3. **2018 Tax Rates Summary**

Tabled is a summary identifying the 2018 general use tax rates for municipalities within Renfrew County. The source of this data is the Online Property Tax Analysis (OPTA) system.

4. **2018 Taxable and PIL Levy by Levy Type**

Tabled is a report created by multiplying the 2018 general use tax rates (above) by the 2018 assessment totals on the 2018 return roll and by our Council approved tax ratios and discount factors. Also included is a row at the bottom of this report identifying the % of total taxation received from each assessment class. The source of this data is the Online Property Tax Analysis (OPTA) system using the general tax rate for upper and lower tiers, excluding any "special area rates" (street lights, etc.).

5. 2018 Levy Summary Report

Tabled is a chart that identifies the real budget impact on ratepayers in each municipality based on the tax rates adopted by each municipal council. The Online Property Tax Analysis (OPTA) system multiplies the adopted general tax rates by the Current Value Assessment (CVA) totals in each property class and then calculates the estimated taxation after applying the correct tax ratios and discount factors. It calculates the levy change from 2017 to 2018 and then subtracts Weighted Current Value Assessment (CVA) Growth % to arrive at the “net budget impact” % for each municipality. The enclosed report uses the “net budget impact” column to sort the data from highest to lowest in terms of percentage.

6. 2018 Tax Impact Summary Report

Tabled is a chart that compares the total taxation levy raised by property class for upper tier, lower tier and education taxes in 2018 vs 2017. The Online Property Tax Analysis (OPTA) system multiplies all adopted tax rates (general and special area) by the Current Value Assessment (CVA) totals in each property class and then calculates the estimated taxation after applying the correct tax ratios and discount factors. Also included is a row at the bottom of this report identifying the % of total taxation received each year for upper tier, lower tier and education purposes.

7. Renfrew Area Administrators Group (RAAG) – Addition of New Member

Since February 1, 1996 the County of Renfrew has been involved with a banking arrangement between representatives from the Renfrew Area Administrators Group which included the City of Pembroke, the County of Renfrew, Family & Children’s Services of Renfrew County, Pembroke Regional Hospital Inc., Renfrew County and District Health Unit, Renfrew County District School Board, the Renfrew County Catholic District School Board and the Bank of Montreal. The original agreement was entered into effective February 1, 1996 with the successful bidder, the Bank of Montreal (BMO), for a five-year term. Requests for Proposals that included an option to extend the agreement for an additional five-year term based upon mutual consent were requested in 2001 and 2012, with BMO being the successful bidder both times. In 2017, the agreement with BMO was extended for an additional five years to December 31, 2022.

Section 13.01 of the Interest Calculation Agreement provides that “additional parties may be added to this Agreement as “Customers” provided all parties to this Agreement consent in writing to such additions and provided any such additional party agrees in writing to be bound by the terms and conditions of this Agreement as if it were a Customer”. Based on this section of the agreement, the Renfrew County Housing Corporation was added in 2001, the Renfrew County Joint Transportation Consortium in 2012, the Township of McNab/Braeside in 2014, the Petawawa Centennial Family Health Centre (PCFHC) in 2016 and now the Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre (OVWRC)

submitted a formal request to be added as a new customer to the existing Interest Calculation Agreement (Pooling) with the Bank of Montreal. There is no negative impact to adding another member to this group and one of the biggest benefits is when it comes time to negotiate a new contract, the more funds “on the table” the more leverage the group has to negotiate the best possible deal with the banking institution. The RAAG Executive members have approved the request of the Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre (OVWRC) to join the existing interest calculation agreement with BMO.

As per the County of Renfrew By-law 78-12 - A By-law to provide for Banking Services for the County of Renfrew, the Warden and Chief Administrative Officer are authorized to execute any subsequent agreements between the Corporation of the County of Renfrew and the Renfrew County Housing Corporation with BMO providing the addition of other publicly funded bodies as participants does not materially affect the County of Renfrew or Renfrew County Housing Corporation. Accordingly, the Warden and Chief Administrative Officer have signed the revised RAAG Banking agreement with the Bank of Montreal, which now includes the Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre (OVWRC). All other members of the banking arrangement are also obtaining signatures for the revised agreement in counterpart authorizing the addition of the OVWRC.

Any local municipality in the County of Renfrew who wishes to become part of the RAAG banking agreement with the Bank of Montreal BMO can contact Mr. Jeffrey Foss, Treasurer for further information and additions will be considered on an annual basis for admission on July 1st.

8. Municipal Employer Pension Centre of Ontario (MEPCO)

Tabled is a Municipal Employer Pension Centre of Ontario (MEPCO) Update dated July 3, 2018 entitled ‘MEPCO Update – OMERS Plan Review Requires Commitment of All Sponsors’. This update advises that the AMO Board adopted the resolution calling on all OMERS Plan sponsors to support and participate in the current OMERS Sponsors Corporation Comprehensive Plan Review (CPR). The involvement and cooperation of all sponsors in the Review is essential to ensure Plan sustainability, affordability for employers and employees, and meaningful benefits for current and future contributors and Plan members. Also tabled is a newsletter from OMERS Sponsors Corporation regarding the Comprehensive Plan Review. The County of Renfrew will be participating in the OMERS Sponsors Corporation Comprehensive Plan Review (CPR) and our Committee encourages all other OMERS employers to do the same.

9. Power Dam Special Payment Program

Tabled is a letter dated July 30, 2018 from Allan Doheny, Assistant Deputy Minister, Ministry of Finance, providing details on the County of Renfrew’s 2018 Power Dam Special Payment Program allocation and payment notice.

10. New Restrictions on Criminal Record Checks to Take Effect on November 1, 2018

The Ontario government has proclaimed November 1, 2018 as the date on which the Police Record Checks Reform Act, 2015 (Act) comes into force. The Act restricts the disclosure of non-conviction information about an individual in response to a criminal record check or in response to a criminal record and judicial matters check.

Non-conviction information would be authorized for disclosure only in a vulnerable sector check in cases where an individual is in a position of trust or authority over vulnerable persons (e.g. children or the vulnerable elderly), and only if it meets a new test for “exceptional disclosure.” Additionally, the Act requires the disclosure of the results to the person to whom a record relates prior to permitting disclosure to a requesting third party.

Persons or organizations that willfully contravene certain provisions of the Act would be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine of not more than \$5,000.

Tabled is a Hicks Morley Legislative Update regarding the new restrictions.

11. Update on Cannabis Legalization

The following are recent highlights regarding the legalization of cannabis:

- On July 26, 2018 reports started emerging in the media that the provincial government was preparing to announce that it will be shifting away from a government owned and operated retail outlets model for recreational cannabis. The former Liberal government had intended to initially open 40 Ontario Cannabis Stores (OCS), and up to 250 total locations by 2020 in the province using an LCBO model;
- An announcement from the Premier, the Finance Minister and the Attorney General was expected the week of July 31, 2018, but has not yet been formally announced;
- Sources state that senior provincial staff has confirmed that the province will move towards a private only or mixed retail model, where either all sales will be done through regulated and licensed private retailers or in combination with a few OCS government stores;
- The LCBO will provide oversight and issue the licenses. The government would maintain control of wholesale, and distribution, and online sales via Shopify;
- Federal legislation Bill C-45 and Bill C-46 come into affect October 17, 2018 to legalize recreational cannabis in Canada;
- Municipalities will have a critical role to play with regards to policing, by-law enforcement, public health, economic development and planning.

We will continue to monitor this file as it develops.

12. Cannabis Implementation

Tabled is an AMO Media Advisory entitled “Ford Government announces Legislation impacting municipal governments and changes to cannabis implementation”.

13. Federal Accessibility Bill-81

On June 20, 2018, the federal government introduced Bill C-81, *An Act to Ensure a Barrier-free Canada* (Bill), accessibility legislation which will apply to certain federally regulated employers.

Similar to the Ontario Accessibility legislation, regulations made under the Bill will establish accessibility standards setting out how organizations will identify, remove and prevent barriers.

Among other things, the Bill would:

- Impose duties on certain federally regulated employers;
- Provide for a complaints process, impose fines, and award compensation to those adversely affected by contravention of the legislation.

This Bill is currently at First Reading, and an update will be provided as more information becomes available.

Tabled is a Hicks Morley Legislative Update regarding the new Bill.

14. County of Renfrew Summer Students 2018

This summer the County of Renfrew employed 22 full time summer students in the following departments:

- Development & Property - 2 Students
- Economic Development - 1 Student
- Emergency Services - 1 Student
- Human Resources - 1 Student
- Public Works & Engineering - 7 Students
- Renfrew County Housing Corporation - 8 Students
- Social Services - 2 Students

Funding applications were submitted to the Government of Canada’s Canada Summer Jobs, and only the Emergency Services student grant was accepted.

15. 14th Annual Warden's Golf Tournament

The 14th Annual Warden's Golf Tournament:

Date: Friday, September 7, 2018

Location: Whitetail Golf Club - 7113 Hwy 60, Eganville

Cost: \$340.00 per team or \$85.00 per individual

Time: 1:00 p.m. shot gun start/best ball

Entry fee includes green fees, riding cart, dinner and door prizes. The proceeds of the tournament will be donated to the Renfrew Victoria Hospital Oncology Unit and United Way's Mental Health Task Force. If you have questions, or would like to register for the 14th Annual Warden's Golf Tournament, please contact Debbie Gervais, Administrative Lead Hand for the Human Resources Department, at dgervais@countyofrenfrew.on.ca or 613-735-3675 ext. 440.

16. Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Tabled is a letter from the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing advising the County of Renfrew that he is looking forward to a productive working relationship with our municipality in the years ahead.

17. Eastern Ontario Regional Network

Tabled is a letter to the Honourable Navdeep Bains, Minister of Innovation, Science & Economic Development from Mr. J. Murray Jones, Chair of the Eastern Ontario Regional Network requesting a meeting regarding serious concerns regarding consultation proposals on the 3500 MHz Band. Also tabled is a report from the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus and the Eastern Ontario Regional Network entitled "Comments on the Consultation on Revisions to the 3500 MHz Band to Accommodate Flexible Use and Preliminary Consultation on Changes to the 3800 MHz Band".

Our Committee directed that Mr. Hutton contact the Eastern Ontario Regional Network (EORN) to determine if the 3500 MHz band is related to the 5G technology. EORN confirmed that the 3500 MHz band is used for internet services by 31,000 households in eastern Ontario. It is not related to 5G, however, the 3500 MHz spectrum in eastern Ontario may be used elsewhere for 5G. EORN also indicated that a resolution of support is not required.

18. Premier of Ontario

Tabled is a letter dated August 2, 2018 from Premier Doug Ford thanking Warden Murphy for her kind words of congratulations on their government's election and advising that one of their top priorities is to open Ontario for business, help create good jobs and bring prosperity to the province. Premier Ford was happy to receive Warden's Murphy's letter about working together.

Also tabled are news releases dated June 29, 2019 naming the new Cabinet members as well as the Parliamentary Assistants for the new Provincial government.

19. Business Education Tax

Tabled is a letter dated April 17, 2018 from the Township of Greater Madawaska regarding the Business Education Tax Rate, and requesting County Council to take the lead on the issue of BET and putting this forward to the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus.

Warden Murphy raised this issue with the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC), at the Caucus meeting in April of 2018 in Calabogie. Ron Higgins, the Warden of Frontenac County and a member of the Rural Mayors Forum of Eastern Ontario, indicated this is an issue that the Mayors Forum will continue to advocate on and that contact and meetings have been arranged with eastern Ontario MPP's. Committee directed Mr. Hutton to respond accordingly to the Township of Greater Madawaska.

RESOLUTIONS

20. Annual Service Awards Banquet

RESOLUTION NO. FA-CC-18-08-93

Moved by Chair
Seconded by Committee

THAT County Council approve that the cost for the spouse/partner of elected officials attending the Service Awards Banquet be waived.

Background

The 2018 Service Awards Banquet will be held on Thursday, October 11, 2018 at the Clarion Hotel & Conference Centre. This year's banquet will be recognizing 70 service award recipients who have attained 10 to 35 years of service as well as 18 retirees.

Tabled is the 2018 list of Service Awards Recipients and Retirees. The banquet doors open at 6:00 p.m. and dinner will be at 7:00 p.m. The cost to attend is \$25.00 each. To RSVP, or to obtain further information, please contact Debbie Gervais, Administrative Lead Hand - Human Resources at ext. 440 or by email at dgervais@countyofrenfrew.on.ca.

BY-LAWS

21. **County Structure B258 (Madawaska River Bridge) - Temporary and Long-Term Borrowing**

RESOLUTION NO. FA-CC-18-08-89

Moved by Chair
Seconded by Committee

THAT County Council approve that a By-law to Authorize the Submission of an Application to the Ontario Infrastructure and Lands Corporation (“OILC”) for Financing The Madawaska River Bridge Project of the Corporation of the County of Renfrew (The “Municipality”); to Authorize Temporary Borrowing from OILC to Meet Expenditures in Connection with The Madawaska River Bridge Project; AND to Authorize Long Term Borrowing for the Madawaska River Bridge Project through the issue of Debentures to OILC be adopted at this session of County Council.

Background

The 2018 County of Renfrew Long-Term Financing Plan included the provision to debt finance individual capital projects in excess of \$3 million. The County of Renfrew Asset Management Plan has identified the rehabilitation of County Structure B258 (Madawaska River Bridge) as a priority project for 2018. The total projected cost of the rehabilitation is approximately \$6 million.

During the presentation of the Long Term Financing Plan, Finance staff acknowledged that Infrastructure Ontario’s Loan Program was currently the most attractive financing option available to municipalities. Since 2003, Infrastructure Ontario’s Loan Program has supported the development of more than \$9.4 billion in local infrastructure projects for over 210 clients. These projects include the construction of roads, bridges, arena complexes, and long term care homes to the acquisition and installation of capital assets like fire trucks, smart meters and energy efficient lighting.

It is now necessary for County Council to adopt a by-law to authorize temporary borrowing to meet expenditures made in connection with the rehabilitation of County Structure B258 (Madawaska River Bridge) located on County Road 1 (Madawaska Boulevard) 200m east of County Road 2 (Daniel Street North), in the Town of Arnprior. County staff is recommending that we utilize the short term Construction Financing Program from Infrastructure Ontario. For construction loans, rates float throughout the term of the loan until they are replaced by a debenture. The current short-term construction financing interest rate is 2.53% and the County of Renfrew will be able to take advantage of the long-term financing fixed rate after the project meets the required completion stage.

22. Procedural By-law

RESOLUTION NO. FA-CC-18-08-87

Moved by Chair

Seconded by Committee

THAT County Council approve the proposed changes to the Procedural By-law; AND FURTHER THAT a By-law to amend By-law 85-10, being a By-law to Govern the Proceedings of the Council and Committees of the County of Renfrew be adopted at this session of County Council.

Background

On March 20, 2018, proposed changes were brought forward to our Committee, however, our Committee tabled the proposed changes pending the review of several questions regarding section 66. Notice of Motion. Subsequent to that meeting, Mr. Hutton had discussions with Solicitor Fred Dean and Councillor Donohue regarding this matter. From those discussions, it has been determined that the waiving of a notice of motion is a procedural matter that can be dealt with without notice under section 51.(b)(v) of the Procedural By-law. Therefore, no change is necessary to the Procedural By-law re Notice of Motion, however, in the future for a motion to come to the floor without notice, Committee or Council will first need to consider a motion to waive the normally required notice. If the motion to waive notice is successful, the motion can then be brought to the floor. In practice, the proposed motion can be read and then a motion to waive notice can be considered.

All other changes to the procedural by-law as listed below are minor in nature and did not generate much discussion with our Committee at the previous meeting.

- Section 1.(a) replace “will” with “shall”
- Section 2.(b) Definition of Ad-Hoc Committee
- Section 2.(k) Definition of Meeting
- Section 19.(a)(iii) replace “endorsation” with “endorsement”
- Section 42.(e) Recorded Vote
- Section 51.(g) delete “of Council”
- Section 60.(c) and (d) renumber (c) and (d)
- Section 61.(b) delete 61.(b) as it conflicts with 57.(b)(iii) and (vi)
- Section 64.(i), (iii) and (iv) Motion for Reconsideration applies at same meeting of Council
- Section 65. Motion to Rescind applies to previous meeting of Council

23. Veteran Facilities Tax Exemption

RESOLUTION NO. FA-CC-18-08-90

Moved by Chair

Seconded by Committee

THAT County Council approve that a By-law to Provide for Exemption From Taxation of The County Portion of Municipal Taxes, Land That is Used and Occupied by the Royal Canadian Legions and the Air Force Association of Canada 433 (Champlain) Wing Located Within the County of Renfrew be adopted at this session of County Council; AND FURTHER THAT By-law 104-08 is hereby repealed effective December 31, 2018.

Background

At the August 28, 2008 session of County Council a resolution was adopted providing an upper-tier tax exemption for eight (8) Royal Canadian Legions within the County of Renfrew, excepting the City of Pembroke. In September 2008, County Council adopted another resolution to include an upper-tier tax exemption for the RCAF Association Wing located in the Town of Renfrew which is a veteran facility similar to the Royal Canadian Legion. Accordingly, By-law 104-08 was adopted on October 30, 2008 exempting the Royal Canadian Legions and the Air Force Association of Canada (433) Champlain Wing from County taxes for their main building portions only under Section 6.1 of the *Assessment Act* for the ten (10) year period, 2009-2018 inclusive.

Tabled is a letter from the Royal Canadian Legion Zone G7 (Cobden) requesting that the County of Renfrew consider allowing the branches within Renfrew County (100%) Exemption of the Renfrew County portion of our property taxes for another 10 years. This issue was also discussed at our Tax Policy Working Group meeting in March, where we indicated that the County of Renfrew would be bringing a resolution forward for Council consideration for another ten year period, 2019 – 2028 inclusive.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Walter Stack, Chair

And Committee Members, G. Doncaster, M. Donohue, J. Murphy, T. Peckett, D. Robinson, R. Sweet, J. Visneskie Moore.

The Report was adopted as presented.

Councillor Tom Peckett, Chair of the Operations Committee, brought in and read the resolutions of the following report and the Addendum to the Report:

August 29, 2018

To the Council of the Corporation
of the County of Renfrew

Members of County Council:

We, your **Operations Committee**, wish to report and recommend as follows:

INFORMATION

1. Monthly Treasurer's Report

Tabled is the June 30, 2018 Treasurer's Report as well as the variance reports for the Administration, Maintenance and Capital programs, all of which include anticipated cost projections to the end of the year, based on expenditures to date as well as tenders that have been received.

2. Monthly Project Status Report

Tabled is the Monthly Project Status Report for the information of Council.

3. Quotations and Tenders

A summary of tenders and quotations received since the last session of Council is attached as Appendix I. The tenders were awarded to the lowest bidders under either the authority of the Director of Public Works & Engineering or the Chief Administrative Officer accordingly.

4. Amendments to Ontario Regulations 239/02 Minimum Maintenance Standards

Tabled is a notice from Frank Cowan Company dated May 7, 2018 advising of the approval of the amendments to Ontario Regulation 239/02 Minimum Maintenance Standards. The majority of the changes to the regulations deal with issues pertaining to sidewalks and bicycle lanes.

5. Excess Soil Management Regulatory Proposal

Tabled is the County's response to the Excess Soil Management Regulatory Proposal as posted on the Environmental Registry of Ontario (ERO). The response was submitted to the ERO on June 14, 2018.

6. County Bridge B-258 – Madawaska River Bridge

On Monday, April 9, 2018 the Director along with Julia Marson, from WSP the County's consultant for the Madawaska River Bridge project met with the Town of Arnprior Council to review the work required for this project as well as to provide options for the rehabilitation/improvements to the sidewalks on the bridge. The Town had requested that the County consider options to the present sidewalk configuration in order to better serve the residents. Two options were considered in addition to the option of a basic rehabilitation of the sidewalks in their current location. The existing conditions include 1.5 metre wide sidewalks on each side of the bridge. The three options included basic rehabilitation of the existing sidewalks, the provision of 2.0 metre wide sidewalks on each side of the bridge and the provision of a single 3 metre wide sidewalk/pathway on one side only. The basic rehabilitation would be included as part of the bridge project at no cost to the Town. The Town's costs for the second and third options are estimated at \$310,000 and \$2,200,000 respectively. In addition, the Town would be responsible for the costs associated with the relocation of the watermain and streetlighting on the bridge if the 3 metre wide pathway option was chosen as these components are driven by the modifications required for the wider pathway. The watermain and streetlighting costs are estimated to be approximately \$1,320,000, which would increase the Town's share of the project to approximately \$3.5 million.

After further consideration, on July 11, 2018, the Town advised that they do not wish to proceed with any enhancements to the sidewalks beyond the basic rehabilitation. However, the Town has indicated that they do wish to include some watermain work at the ends of the bridge to address performance issues that have been experienced recently. The watermain costs will be borne entirely by the Town.

During the preliminary design stage of the project, significant utility relocations, Hydro and Bell, were identified as required due to the buried utility ducts being in the existing sidewalks. Discussions are ongoing with Hydro One and Bell regarding the location of the utilities and the nature of the remedial work required. Options considered are rehabilitation in place, relocation to new ducts within the bridge and relocation to another location beyond the bridge. At this time Hydro One and Bell have yet to confirm their preferred option.

In view of the foregoing items and the time of year it is unlikely that tenders for this project will be able to be awarded in time for work to be completed in the current year. This will mean that the project will be delayed until 2019 before any construction activities will be undertaken. Funding for the project will need to be reconsidered in the preparation of the 2019 Budget.

7. PWC-2018-31 – Rehabilitation of County Road 45 (Vanjumar and Russett Drive)

Our Committee approved Contract PWC-2018-31 submitted by H&H Construction Incorporated, Petawawa, Ontario, for the rehabilitation of County Road 45 (Vanjumar and Russett Drive) in the amount of \$121,290.56 plus HST.

Eight tenders were requested for the rehabilitation of County Road 45 (Vanjumar and Russett Drive) from Wabalac Drive to Campbell Drive, in the Town of Arnprior and Township of McNab/Braeside. Tenders were received as follows:

1.	H&H Construction Incorporated, Petawawa, ON	\$121,290.56
2.	Greenwood Paving (Pembroke) Limited, Pembroke, ON	129,650.00
3.	Thomas Cavanagh Construction Limited, Ashton, ON	129,853.27
4.	Smiths Construction, A Division of the Miller Group Incorporated, Arnprior, ON	154,092.08
5.	Aecon Construction Ontario East Limited, Carp, ON	160,625.00
6.	R.W. Tomlinson Limited, Nepean, ON	162,007.00

All amounts exclude applicable taxes

The current 2018 Capital Works budget includes funds in the amount of \$150,000 for the rehabilitation of County Road 45. Staff has reviewed the tender results for the project and confirmed that there are sufficient funds to complete the project as tendered. A comparison of the 2018 Budget and projected costs is provided in the following table.

County Road 45 (Vanjumar Drive and Russett Drive) Rehabilitation					
		Low Tender		High Tender	
	2018 Budget	Projected	Variance	Projected	Variance
Construction- Contract	130,000.00	123,425.27	-6,574.73	164,858.32	34,858.32
Engineering -					
Design/Tendering	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00
Material Testing	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	0.00
Project Administration					
& Supervision	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00
Contingency	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00
Total	150,000.00	143,425.27	-6,574.73	185,858.32	34,858.32

* All costs are net HST
 * Projected costs are based on low Tender results

BY-LAWS

8. 2018 Speed Limit By-law Update

RESOLUTION NO. OP-CC-18-08-65

Moved by Chair
Seconded by Committee

THAT County Council approve the changes to the Speed Limit By-law; AND THAT a By-law to Authorize Speed limits on County Roads be passed at this session of County Council.

Background

Periodically the Department undertakes a major review of the speed limits throughout the County Road network to determine whether changes are required as a result of development or other issues that would generate a change in the posted speed limits. The review also serves as a consolidation of any changes that may have occurred since the last major update. As part of the review and update the local municipalities and local policing agencies are consulted to determine the location and nature of any changes that they may wish to see included in the update. The following table provides a summary of the responses received as well as a comment regarding any requested changes:

Speed Limit Bylaw Responses

<u>Municipality/Agency</u>	<u>Response/Request</u>
Admaston/Bromley	No response
Arnprior	Reduce Speed Limit on County Road 2 from 60km/h to 50km/h from 150 metres west of Staye Court Dr. to Campbell Dr. Revise County Road 10 school zone speed limit to capture the new proposed French Catholic School
Bonnechere Valley	No response
Brudenell, Lyndoch & Raglan	No response
Deep River	No response
Greater Madawaska	No response
Head, Clara & Maria	No County Roads in HCM Twp. No changes requested
Horton	No response
Killaloe, Hagarty & Richards	No response
Laurentian Hills	No response
Laurentian Valley	Include Community Safety Zone (CSZ) along County Road 58 (Round Lake Road) in vicinity of Rockwood P.S. Reduce County Road 36 (TV Tower Road) from 80 km/h to 70 km/h
Madawaska Valley	No response

McNab/Braeside	County Road 1 – Reference Point County Road 63 – Transition inquiry County Road 63 – School safety zone inquiry
North Algona Wilberforce	No response
Petawawa	Reduce Speed Limit on County Road 51 from 60 km/h to 50 km/h between Silke Drive and 100 metres north of Fred Street
Renfrew	No response
Whitewater Region	No response
OPP - Killaloe	No response
OPP - Renfrew	No response
OPP – Upper Valley	No changes requested
Deep River Police	No changes requested

In reviewing the various requests, staff offers the following comments:

Town of Arnprior

- County Road 2 (Daniel Street) has had much development over the last several years and as the primary entrance to Arnprior from Highway 417 experiences some of the highest traffic volumes in the County. With the majority of the 300 unit Olympia Homes Subdivision now built along Vanjumar Drive and the additional proposed 40 unit Glen Meadows Subdivision along Russett Drive, the traffic volumes using the Daniel Street corridor between Campbell Drive and Staye Court Drive will continue to increase. Staff is of the opinion that the reduction in the posted speed limit is warranted in this area. Further to the request from the Town of Arnprior, during the design of the rehabilitation of the Claybank Bridge along White Lake Road in 2017, the consultant indicated that the bridge has not been designed for an 80km/hr posted speed limit. Staff recommends reducing the posted speed limit from 80km/hr to 60km/hr between Campbell Drive and Melanson Road.
- The status of the proposed French Catholic School along County Road 10 (Baskin Drive) is unknown at this time. Staff recommends maintaining the existing system and considering this request in the future should the development of the school proceed.

Township of Laurentian Valley

- The request to reduce the speed limit along County Road 36 (TV Tower Road) has been made on the basis that the Township has been receiving calls pertaining to motorists speeding along the roadway. Speed enforcement is the responsibility of the policing agencies, in this case the OPP. The artificial reduction of the speed limit at this location would likely result in difficulties for enforcement. The existing roadway which is rural in nature is approximately 2.5 km in length and has 17 private entrances which access the roadway. The road has good vertical and horizontal visibility which is consistent with the present 80 km/h speed limit. The Township’s portion of TV Tower Road also has a speed limit of 80 km/h. At this time staff does not support the requested speed limit reduction along this portion of County Road

36. As further development occurs along TV Tower Road, it may be appropriate to consider a posted speed limit reduction at a later date.

Township of McNab/Braeside

- The Township of McNab/Braeside has suggested that a different point of reference be used for describing the speed zones along County Road 1 (River Road) now that Golf Club Road is no longer an access point to River Road. The change in description will have no effect on the existing speed zones. Staff is in support of a change of description.
- County Road 63 (Flat Rapids Road) between Watts Line and Stewartville Road is a posted 50km/hr zone. From Watts Line easterly the speed limit is 80km/hr. There is no requirement for a 60km/hr transition zone. Appropriate signage is posted to indicate a change in posted speed limit which provides sufficient time and distance for drivers to adjust their speeds.
- County Road 63 (Stewartville Road) fronting McNab Public School is a posted 50km/hr speed zone. This department has had no correspondence regarding the implementation of a school safety zone. At this time appropriate school zone signage is in place.

Town of Petawawa

- The Town of Petawawa has requested that the speed limit along County Road 51 (Petawawa Boulevard) be reduced from 60 km/h to 50 km/h between Silke Drive and Fred Street. It is noted that the posted speed limit between Fred Street and Murphy Road is already 50km/hr. Since the last speed limit by-law update, this area has seen increased residential and commercial development. Staff is in favour of a reduction in the posted speed limit between Murphy Road and Silke Drive from 60km/hr to 50km/hr. There is no requirement for a 60km/hr transition speed zone south of Silke Drive. Appropriate signage would be erected to indicate a change in the posted speed limit which would provide sufficient time and distance for drivers to adjust their speeds.

County Road 62 (Combermere Road)

In addition to the changes requested from the local Municipalities, staff has received a request from a local traveler to increase the posted speed limit of Combermere Road between Ohio Road and a point nearer the Village of Combermere.

Combermere Road has a posted speed limit of 60 km/h from 250 metres west of Ohio Road (County limit) to Ohio Road, at which point the speed limit is reduced to 50 km/h to 350 metres south of County Road 515 (Palmer Road). The posted speed limit from the County limit westerly in Hastings County is 80 km/h. A local traveler has requested that the 60 km/h posted speed limit be extended between Ohio Road and an appropriate limit closer to the Village of Combermere. Combermere Road is a rural cross-section in this area with few entrances or buildings. Staff is in support of increasing the posted speed limit between Ohio Road and White Pine Crescent from 50km/hr to 60km/hr.

9. County Road 58 (Round Lake Road) Community Safety Zone Adjacent to Rockwood Public School
RESOLUTION NO. OP-CC-18-08-66

Moved by Chair
Seconded by Committee

THAT County Council pass a by-law to authorize the designation of a Community Safety Zone on County Road 58 (Round Lake Road) between B Line Road and 700 metres east of B Line Road in the geographic Township of Alice in the Township of Laurentian Valley.

Background

The County has received a letter of request from the Township of Laurentian Valley to designate an area of County Road 58 (Round Lake Road) as a Community Safety Zone in the vicinity of Rockwood Public School. The inclusion of a Community Safety Zone (CSZ) has the impact of increasing fines for motorists who violate the HTA regulations. Rockwood Public School is located at the crest of a hill and has two access points to County Road 58 (Round Lake Road). One of the accesses is dedicated to buses entering and exiting the school property. Approximately 240 metres to the south of the southerly entrance is a local convenience store and the intersection with B Line Road. While the section of road does not have a known history of collisions, there is a considerable amount of traffic accessing the school and the adjacent business during the school day. A separate by-law is required to designate the CSZ. The by-law must designate the hours, days and months when the designation is in effect as well as the start and end points along the roadway. Additional roadway signage is required to designate the beginning and end of the CSZ. Staff is in favour of implementing a Community Safety Zone at this location.

10. Pedestrian Crossings on County Roads - Amendment to County of Renfrew Corporate Policy PW-14
RESOLUTION NO. OP-CC-18-08-67

Moved by Chair
Seconded by Committee

THAT Policy PW-14 Pedestrian Crossings on County Roads be amended; AND THAT a By-law be passed at this session of County Council adopting the amended policy.

Background

The County of Renfrew adopted Corporate Policy PW-14, Pedestrian Crossings on County Roads in May of 2010 by the approval of By-law No. 56-10 to address a number of inquiries regarding Pedestrian Crossings along County Roads at the time. The Policy outlines the procedure for which a Pedestrian Crossing facility is granted approval and also outlines the standards for the type of facility to be constructed.

In order to address safety concerns with having a crossing present along County Roads, the current Policy requires that all mid-block and un-signalized intersection crossings be equipped with a half traffic signal (Intersection Pedestrian Signal, IPS, or Midblock Pedestrian Signal, MPS). The cost of the installation, as well as the future replacement costs is borne by the local Municipality requesting the crossing. The typical cost of such a system can exceed one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000).

In June of this year the County received a request from the Town of Arnprior to install a Pedestrian Crossing on County Road 1 (Madawaska Street) at the intersection of Harriet Street. The Town has requested that a Pedestrian Crossover (PXO) facility be permitted to be installed at the Town's cost rather than the requirement for a half traffic signal. In order to permit such a facility, it would first be necessary to update the County's policy with regards to Pedestrian Crossings on County Roads.

Since the inception of the County's Policy, the Provincial Government has updated Ontario Traffic Manual Book 15, Pedestrian Crossing Treatments, with the latest version being approved in June of 2016. The Manual now defines four types of Pedestrian Crossover facilities prior to requiring traffic signals. Each type of treatment has further variations, depending on the cross-section and nature of the subject roadway, however the principal for each individual type remains the same. The most significant change to the facilities is the allowance of Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons activated by push button for signalization of the crossing. This type of system is similar to that of which was installed along County Road 9 (Bulger Road) at Shaw Woods and also to replace an outdated system for the pedestrian crossing along County Road 2 (Daniel Street) at McGonigal Street.

Furthermore, in 2016 the Ontario Highway Traffic Act was updated with regards to pedestrian rights-of-way, requiring that drivers stop on approach of a pedestrian within a pedestrian crossover and remain stopped until the pedestrian has left the full extent of the roadway.

Due to the high volumes of vehicles and pedestrians required to meet the warrants for a Pedestrian Crossing facility, staff is of the opinion that Level 2 Type D treatments, which utilize signage only, and do not require signalization of any kind, are not in the best interest of promoting safe crossings. We are therefore recommending that Level 2 Type D crossing facilities not be permitted along County Roads. Level 1 Type A crossing facilities are typically recommended for four-lane roadways. While these facilities would be permitted, there are limited opportunities for their use along County Roads. Level 2 Type B and Level 2 Type C crossing facilities would become the most appropriate facilities for County Roads in the absence of traffic signals. These facilities range in cost from approximately fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000).

The additional recommended changes to the Policy would clarify the responsibilities of both the County and the local Municipality with regards to signage and pavement markings.

11. PWC-2018-22 – Rehabilitation of County Structure B018 (Davis Mills Bridge)

RESOLUTION NO. OP-CC-18-08-69

Moved by Chair
Seconded by Committee

THAT Contract PWC-2018-22 submitted by Corington Engineering Incorporated, Renfrew, Ontario for the rehabilitation of County Structure B018 (Davis Mills Bridge) in the amount of \$582,792.00 plus HST be approved; AND THAT County Council pass a By-Law to Authorize Execution of the Contract at this session of County Council.

Background

Thirteen (13) tenders were requested for the rehabilitation of County Structure B018 (Davis Mills Bridge) located on County Road 26 (Doran Road), in the Township of Laurentian Valley. Tenders were received as follows:

	<u>Submitted</u> <u>Amount</u>	<u>Corrected</u> <u>Amount</u>
1. Corington Engineering Incorporated, Renfrew, ON	\$582,782.00	\$582,792.00
2. Coco Paving Incorporated, Nepean, ON	598,000.00	
3. National Structures 2011 Incorporated, Napanee, ON	701,194.20	
4. Clearwater Structures Incorporated, Ajax, ON	733,129.50	
All amounts exclude applicable taxes		

The current 2018 Capital Works budget for the rehabilitation of County Structure B018 is in the amount of \$342,000. However, due to the lower than budgeted costs of other assignments and tenders, staff confirm that there are sufficient funds to complete the project as tendered. A comparison of the 2018 Budget and projected costs is provided in the following table:

B018 (Davis Mills Bridge) Rehabilitation					
		Low Tender		High Tender	
	2018 Budget	Projected	Variance	Projected	Variance
B018 Construction – Rehabilitation	300,000.00	514,693.94	(214,693.94)	639,184.58	(339,184.58)
B018 Expansion Joint Materials	-	36,124.80	(36,124.80)	36,124.80	(36,124.80)
B023 (Zanders Bridge) Construction - Rehabilitation (Provisional)	-	78,355.20	(78,355.20)	106,848.00	(106,848.00)
Engineering - Design/Tendering	5,000.00	20,383.55	(15,383.55)	20,383.55	(15,383.55)
Material Testing	5,000.00	5,000.00	-	5,000.00	-
Project Administration & Supervision	29,000.00	29,127.78	(127.78)	29,127.78	(127.78)
Contingency	3,000.00	10,000.00	(7,000.00)	10,000.00	(7,000.00)
Total	342,000.00	693,685.27	(351,685.27)	846,668.71	(504,668.71)

* All costs are net HST

* Projected costs are based on low Tender results

It is noted that the construction costs are significantly higher than was anticipated during the development of the 2018 budget. The additional costs are due to greater than expected deterioration of some components, which were identified during the preparation of the final design package.

Due to deterioration recently noted at County Structure B023 (Zanders Bridge), the structure's close vicinity to the construction work at Davis Mills Bridge, and the potential for cost savings with the work, a provisional item was included in PWC-2018-22 for minor rehabilitation of the structure. It is recommended that the minor rehabilitation works to Zanders Bridge be included in the award of contract PWC-2018-22. Staff confirm that sufficient funds exist in the emergency repairs budget to complete the work on B023 (Zanders Bridge) as tendered in conjunction with contract PWC-2018-22.

**ADDENDUM TO
OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT
DATED AUGUST 29, 2018**

12. PWC-2018-40 Rehabilitation of County Road 1 (River Road)

RESOLUTION NO. OP-CC-18-08-72

Moved by Chair
Seconded by Committee

Recommendation: THAT Contract PWC-2018-40 submitted by Thomas Cavanagh Construction Limited, Ashton, Ontario for the rehabilitation of County Road 1 (River Road) in the amount of \$474,896.95 plus HST be approved; AND THAT County Council pass a By-Law to Authorize Execution of the Contract at this session of County Council.

Background

Eight tenders were requested for the rehabilitation of County Road 1 (River Road) from 100m East of Toner Road to 535m West of Toner Road and from 730m East of Mast Road to 45m West of Mast Road, in the Township of McNab/Braeside. Tenders were received as follows:

1. Thomas Cavanagh Construction Limited, Ashton, ON	\$474,896.95
2. R.G.T. Clouthier Construction Limited, Pembroke, ON	489,800.00
3. Smiths Construction (A Division of Miller Group Incorporated), Arnprior, ON	635,995.86
4. Bonnechere Excavating Incorporated, Renfrew, ON	Bid Rejected
All amounts exclude applicable taxes	

The submission received from Bonnechere Excavating Incorporated, Renfrew, Ontario was incomplete and is considered an irregular bid in accordance with Policy GA-01 – Procurement of Goods and Services.

The current 2018 Capital Works budget for the rehabilitation of County Road 1 (River Road) is in the amount of \$760,400. However, due to the lower than budgeted costs of other assignments and tenders, staff confirm that there are sufficient funds to complete the project as tendered. A comparison of the 2018 Budget and projected costs is provided in the following table:

Rehabilitation of County Road 1 (River Road) Sand Point – Phase I (East & West Limits)

		Low Tender		High Tender	
	2018 Budget	Projected	Variance	Projected	Variance
Construction- Rehabilitation	583,635	483,255.14	-100,379.86	647,189.39	63,554.39
Engineering – Enviro Asses/ Design/Tendering	100,000	250,000	150,000.00	250,000	150,000.00
Material Testing	3,000	3,000	0.00	3,000	0.00
Project Administration & Supervision	15,400	25,000	9,600.00	25,000	9,600.00
Contingency	58,365	23,745	-34,620.00	31,800	-26,565.00
Total	760,400.00	785,000.14	24,600.14	956,989.39	196,589.39

* All costs are net HST

* Projected costs are based on low Tender results

All of which is respectfully submitted.

T. Peckett, Chair

And Committee Members: R. Kingsbury, K. Love, G. McKay, T. Millar, J. Murphy, J. Reinwald

The Report and Addendum were adopted as presented.

Council recessed for lunch at 12:20 p.m. Council reconvened at 1:00 p.m. with the same persons present.

Councillor Debbie Robinson, Chair of the Social Services Committee, brought in and read the resolutions of the following report:

August 29, 2018

To the Council of the Corporation
of the County of Renfrew

Members of County Council:

We, your **Social Services Committee**, wish to report and recommend as follows:

INFORMATION

1. 2017 and 2018 Renfrew County Social Housing Registry Waitlist Statistics Comparison

2018	New Eligible Applicants on the Waitlist	Total of Eligible Applicants on the Waitlist	Eligible SPP on Waitlist
January	36	1006	41
February	22	1007	32
March	51	980	37
April	49	1006	37
May	39	1008	41
June	44	1034	46
July			
August			
September			
October			
November			
December			

2017	New Eligible Applicants on the Waitlist	Total of Eligible Applicants on the Waitlist	Eligible SPP on Waitlist
January	23	1004	48
February	16	1009	43
March	46	1016	49
April	54	1025	38
May	39	1004	46
June	52	1015	48
July	26	1031	45
August	48	1020	42
September	37	1020	43
October	42	1012	47
November	21	1007	45
December	24	1002	43

Eligible applicants on the Renfrew County Social Housing Registry waitlist represent actual number of households waiting for housing.

NOTE: Of the 1034 applicants waiting for housing as of June 30, 2018, 129 are currently living in a social housing unit, but are waiting for a transfer to another unit due to a change in their accommodation needs.

2. Child Care Statistics

2017 and 2018 Child Care Fee Subsidy Statistics Comparison

This report indicates the number of families and children on the caseload who are receiving fee subsidy for the month.

	2017		2018	
	FAMILIES	CHILDREN	FAMILIES	CHILDREN
January	312	455	326	474
February	310	455	326	474
March	312	458	330	484
April	313	460	334	487
May	313	459	338	496
June	310	460	340	499
July	314	483		
August	321	495		
September	331	500		
October	309	451		
November	319	467		
December	327	478		

CURRENT COUNTY CENTRALIZED WAITLIST TOTAL - 355

2017 and 2018 Integration Coordinator Statistics Comparison

This report indicates the number of children presently being served through the Special Needs Integration Services and the number of children receiving special needs resource funding.

	2017		2018	
	Total Active Files	Receiving Resource Funding	Total Active Files	Receiving Resource Funding
January	143	65	160	72
February	113	53	169	66
March	120	61	174	73
April	126	54	181	73
May	141	65	156	66
June	148	67	159	70
July	151	48		
August	154	50		
September	151	60		
October	159	57		
November	165	60		
December	155	58		

3. Ontario Works Caseload Statistics

2017 and 2018 Monthly Caseload Comparison

	2017 Total Caseload	2018 Total Caseload	Percentage of Change
January	1278	1357	6.18%
February	1331	1373	3.16%
March	1358	1352	-0.4%
April	1363	1372	0.66%
May	1389	1370	-1.37%
June	1374	1356	-1.31%
July	1338		
August	1342		
September	1290		
October	1287		
November	1314		
December	1333		

4. GreenON Social Housing Program

Renfrew County Housing Corporation submitted a business case to the Province's Green Ontario Fund and was awarded a funding allocation of \$580,874. On June 27, 2018 Council adopted By-law No. 80-18 authorizing the Renfrew County Housing Corporation to enter into a funding agreement with Housing Services Corporation.

On July 13, 2018 Renfrew County Housing Corporation received correspondence advising of the termination of the Ontario Transfer Payment Agreement re: GreenON Social Housing Program between County of Renfrew and Housing Services Corporation effective August 13, 2018 as a result of the provincial government's termination of the GreenON Social Housing Program.

5. Ottawa River Power Conservation Fund Demand Response (DR) Pilot

As part of the GreenON funding agreement with Housing Services Corporation, Renfrew County Housing Corporation was encouraged to seek additional sources of subsidies through utility companies, local distribution companies or other groups. Accordingly, Renfrew County Housing Corporation contacted all the utility companies within the County of Renfrew. As a result of these discussions, in July following the cancellation of the GreenON program, Ottawa River Power Corporation contacted Renfrew County Housing Corporation and proposed participation in a pilot project through the Conservation Fund.

The Conservation Fund provides financial support for innovative conservation technologies, practices, research and programs that have the potential to deliver significant energy savings and help Ontario reach its long-term energy conservation goals. The Fund supports projects that will lead to large-scale transformation in the marketplace or a change in consumer behaviour.

The pilot, led by Ottawa River Power Corporation, will involve the installation of equipment (cost of equipment and installation will be done and managed at no cost to Renfrew County Housing Corporation) to do space heating direct load control using line voltage web-enabled thermostats and electric thermal storage capable of curtailing and shifting demand.

The deadline for submission of applications to the pilot program was July 31, 2018; an application has been submitted and is currently under review. If the application is approved, the details and an agreement will be brought back to this committee and County Council for approval.

6. Enabling Accessibility Fund and Human Services Integration

In the 2018 Budget, County Council provided for the review of operations of the Social Services program currently being delivered at Renfrew County Place. The intent of the review is to explore opportunities for program integration with a goal of providing a more streamlined approach to client services. This effort is part of a broader initiative on the part of the Province of Ontario to modernize social services through technology and human services integration.

The Social Services Department and Development and Property Department developed an RFP for Architectural Services that will be delivered in Two Phases:

- Phase I: Preliminary Design and Consultation
- Phase II: Tender and Contract Management

The project will make the combined client services area accessible for all clients with disabilities, by redesigning and adding accessible features like client service desks, accessible doorways and offices, interview rooms, meeting rooms and waiting areas. This element of the project is part of Phase II and is subject to Committee and County Council approval in 2019.

In an effort to source funding for Phase II of the project, staff have made an application to the Enabling Accessibility Fund for Small Projects Component grant available through the Federal Government. The deadline for submission of applications was July 27, 2018. Should the application be successful it will be brought to Committee and County Council for the necessary approvals.

7. 2017 Statistical Report for Child Care and Early Years

Attached for Council's information is the 2017 Statistical Report for Child Care and Early Years. This report highlights a number of changes in the Child Care and Early Years Division in the County of Renfrew, and is a snapshot of the program outcomes spanning over the last seven years.

8. Ontario Works and Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) Changes

We wish to report that on July 31, 2018 the Government of Ontario announced that it will not be implementing social assistance changes previously scheduled to take place between September and December of this year. Below are the key messages included in the announcement:

Key Messages For Ontario Works and Ontario Disability Support Program
Upcoming Social Assistance Changes

- The government is no longer proceeding with changes to social assistance that would have come into effect this fall.
- Social assistance changes that were implemented in April and July 2018 will remain in effect.
- The government is working to develop a plan for social assistance by this fall that will help people get back on track and participate in their communities.
- While working on a plan, the ministry will be providing a 1.5% rate increase. This adjustment will help individuals keep pace with the increased cost of living.
- The rate increase will be effective September 1, 2018 for the Ontario Disability Support Program and October 1, 2018 for Ontario Works.
- The government also announced that it will begin winding down the Ontario Basic Income research project. The government will share more details on that process in the coming weeks.

RESOLUTIONS

9. **The Grind Pembroke – Request for Support**

RESOLUTION NO. SS-CC-18-08-56

Moved by Chair
Seconded by Committee

THAT staff be directed to prepare a response to The Grind Pembroke acknowledging the letter requesting support and indicating that due to the uncertainty of future funding from the Province of Ontario as a result of the change in government, the County of Renfrew cannot commit to any financial support at this time.

Background:

Tabled is a letter dated July 17, 2018 addressed to Chair Debbie Robinson, from Mr. Jerry Novack, Executive Director of The Grind Pembroke seeking support from the County of Renfrew for a new project The Grind is proposing to provide transitional housing to homeless clients on a short-term basis.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Debbie Robinson, Chair

And Committee Members: P. Emon, D. Farr, S. Keller, J. Murphy, R. Reid, J. Reinwald, W. Stack

The Report was adopted as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Visneskie Moore

Moved by: Councillor Peckett

THAT the following By-laws be enacted and passed:

- (a) By-law 85-18 – A By-law to Authorize the Submission of an Application to Ontario Infrastructure and Lands Corporation (“OILC”) for Financing the Madawaska River Bridge Project of the Corporation of the County of Renfrew; to Authorize Temporary Borrowing from OILC to Meet Expenditures in Connection with the Madawaska River Bridge Project; and to Authorize Long Term Borrowing for the Madawaska River Bridge Project through the Issue of Debentures to OILC.
- (b) By-law 86-18 - A By-law to Amend By-law 85-10, Being a By-law to Govern the Proceedings of the Council and Committees of the County of Renfrew.
- (c) By-law 87-18 - A By-law to Provide for Exemption from Taxation of the County Portion of Municipal Taxes, Land that is used and Occupied by the Royal Canadian Legions and the Air Force Association of Canada 433 (Champlain) Wing Located within the County of Renfrew.
- (d) By-law 88-18 - A By-law to Authorize Speed Limits.
- (e) By-law 89-18 - A By-law to Authorize the Designation of a Community Safety Zone.
- (f) By-law 90-18 - A By-law to Amend Pedestrian Crossings Policy No. PW-14 for the Municipal Road System within the Jurisdiction of the Corporation of the County of Renfrew.
- (g) By-law 91-18 - A By-law for the Execution of Contract No. PWC-2018-22 Rehabilitation of County Structure B018 (Davis Mills Bridge).
- (h) By-law 92-18 - A By-law to Authorize the Execution of a Secondment Agreement for Acting Deputy Chief, Amber Hultink, with the Canadian Foundation for Health Improvement (CFHI) to Support the Practice of Community Paramedic Lead Palliative Care for a One-Year Term.
- (i) By-law 93-18 - A By-law to Amend By-law 40-12 the Collective Agreement with the Ontario Nurses’ Association (O.N.A.), Local 174, Bonnechere Manor, Renfrew Ontario, and Miramichi Lodge, Pembroke, Ontario.
- (j) By-law 94-18 – A By-law to Amend By-law 26-14 the Collective Agreement with the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) Local 3586, Miramichi Lodge.
- (k) By-law 95-18 – A By-Law for the Execution of a Land Use Agreement with the Town of Petawawa.

- (l) By-law 96-18 – A By-Law to Amend By-Law 106-17 Being a By-law to Execute Land Use Agreements with Multiple Snowmobile Clubs and the Snow Country Snowmobile Association for a Period of Five Years Commencing December 1, 2017 To April 30, 2022.
- (m) By-law 97-18 – A By-law for the Execution of Contract No. PWC-2018-40 Rehabilitation of County Road 1 (River Road).

CARRIED.

New Business

Councillor Sweet informed Council that a meeting was held with the OSUM Board of Directors during the AMO Conference held in Ottawa to discuss OSUM 2019 to be held in Renfrew County from May 1 – 3, 2019.

Moved by: Councillor Visneskie Moore

Seconded by: Councillor Peckett

THAT By-law 98-18, being a By-law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Council of the County of Renfrew at the meeting held on August 29, 2018 be now numbered, deemed read three times and passed.

CARRIED.

Moved by: Councillor Visneskie Moore

Seconded by: Councillor Stack

THAT County Council adjourn. Time – 1:48 p.m.

CARRIED.