

COUNTY OF RENFREW



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COUNTY OF RENFREW

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County Council
Pembroke, Ontario
March 27, 2019

GENERAL SESSION

The General Session of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Renfrew met at 10:00 a.m. on March 27, 2019.

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. No pecuniary interest was disclosed.

Moved by: Councillor Peckett
Seconded by: Councillor Reinwald

THAT the minutes of January 23, 2019 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED.

Moved by: Councillor Brose
Seconded by: Councillor Lynch

THAT the minutes of February 27, 2019 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 March, I attended 12 meetings on County business.

On March 20, 2019, the County Road 51 Advisory Committee (Councillor Peckett and Councillor Sweet) met with Ms. Stephanie DiNucci, Policy and Stakeholder Relations Advisor, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing in Toronto. On March 21, 2019 the County Road 51 Advisory Committee (Warden Murphy, Councillor Peckett and Councillor Sweet) had three meetings with the Federal Government, Infrastructure Canada and Transportation Canada in Ottawa regarding County Road 51 (Petawawa Boulevard).

On March 22, 2019, I attended a meeting of the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus in Napanee. Topics of discussion were the Ontario Municipal Partnership Funding, EOWC review of red tape/regulatory burdens for affordable housing, long-term care facilities, Ontario health overhaul (Paramedic downloads and offloads), and other Provincial priorities/initiatives for which EOWC can partner. Three new members were appointed to the Eastern Ontario Regional Network: Deputy Warden Frances Smith of the County of Frontenac, Reeve Brent Devolin, Township of Minden Hills (County of Haliburton) and Warden John Logel, County of Northumberland.

On behalf of all members of County Council, I extend condolences to the family of Jim Sheedy former Councillor of Laurentian Valley, who passed away.

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

Delegations were heard as follows:

- (a) 10:10 a.m. – Mr. Doug Tennant, Chair, United Way Renfrew County to accept a fundraising cheque from the County of Renfrew.
- (b) 10:15 a.m. – Mr. Chris Hinsperger, President, Ottawa Valley Tourist Information to provide an update on activities.
- (c) 10:30 a.m. - Mr. Chris Hinsperger, President, Ottawa Valley Tourist Information to overview a position paper on the Municipal Accommodation Tax.

DRAFT

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

March 27, 2019

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 Project Status Report

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

2. Street Lighting Warrant Reports –County Road 31 (Lookout Road) at County Road 12 (Westmeath Road) intersection and County Road 49 (Lapasse Road) intersection

In the fall of 2018 and at the request of the former Director, Mr. Steven Boland, the County of Renfrew Public Works & Engineering Department completed a review of two intersection locations to determine if they meet the warrants for street light illumination.

Staff had utilized a lighting warrant spreadsheet developed by the Transportation Association of Canada (TAC) to determine if the intersections would meet the minimum warrants to recommend the installation of street lights at the subject locations. The criteria analyzed includes the geometric layout of the intersection, operational factors including traffic volumes and posted speed limits, the surrounding environment and existing developments, and collision history. In order to warrant the installation of a street light, a minimum score of 120 is to be achieved.

The intersection of County Road 12 (Westmeath Road) with County Road 31 (Lookout Road) had a score of ninety-one (91) and the intersection of County Road 31 (Lookout Road) with County Road 49 (Lapasse Road) had a score of eighty-one (81). These intersections currently do not meet the warrants for street lights.

3. County Structure B026 (Old Highway 62 Bridge) Open House

The Public Works & Engineering Department hosted a Public Open House at St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church located at 533 Borne Road, Pembroke, on February 21, 2019 between 5:00 and 7:00 p.m., to inform the public of the proposed

design options for County Structure B026 (Old Highway 62 Bridge). Approximately 30 local residents were in attendance. Comment sheets were accepted up to March 4, 2019. J.L. Richards is preparing an options report which will be presented to the Operations Committee in April indicating the options being considered and the option being recommended.

4. Winter Operations

The month of February provided a variety of winter weather conditions that required responses by staff. Table 1 provides a summary of the winter events, material usage and precipitation amounts to date. Staff continues to be ready to respond to winter events as they occur.

Table 1

Month	No. of Event Days		Type of Event (days)			Material Used (tonnes)		Precipitation	
	Weekday	Weekend	Snow	Blowing Snow	Freezing Rain	Salt	Sand	Weather Station	Amount (mm)
Nov	15	4	17	1	3	4,060	229	Petawawa	63
								Bancroft	105
Dec	19	9	20	6	6	5,633	1,659	Petawawa	53
								Bancroft	64
Jan	22	5	26	12	17	5,264	6,015	Petawawa	49
								Bancroft	72
Feb	23	5	13	4	7	5,772	1,275	Petawawa	71
								Bancroft	91
Totals	79	23	76	23	33	20,729	9,178	Petawawa	236
								Bancroft	332

Table 2 outlines the four Significant Weather Events declared in February 2019.

Table 2

Declaration Start			Declaration End			Reason
Month	Day	Time	Month	Day	Time	
Feb	4	10:57 AM	Feb	5	4:05 PM	Ice
Feb	7	3:46 PM	Feb	9	10:19 AM	Ice
Feb	12	8:05 AM	Feb	14	9:34 AM	Snow/Ice

Feb	23	1:19 PM	Feb	26	8:30 AM	Snow/Ice
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5. Quotations and Tenders

A letter was circulated to the local municipal staff advising them of the planned tenders and requesting that if they would like to participate, to provide a response to the questionnaire included as part of the letter by February 8, 2019. At the writing of this report, 11 municipalities requested to be included in various tenders. The tenders included in the circulation and the balance of the tenders that form part of the approved budget will be released from the Operations Division starting in early March.

RESOLUTIONS

6. 2018 Snow and Ice Control Budget

RESOLUTION NO. OP-CC-19-03-13

Moved by Chair
Seconded by Committee

THAT the Operations Committee recommends to County Council that the entire Winter Control Reserve of \$342,534 be used in 2018.

Background

In recent years the severity of the winter season has caused overages in the Snow and Ice Control budget. Fortunately, the County of Renfrew had realized financial surpluses within other departmental budgets which were sufficient to cover any over spending on snow and ice control activities. However, Finance staff have projected a significant corporate deficit in 2018. As a result, the overspending on snow and ice control in 2018 of \$813,115 will have a direct impact on the Operations Budget. The County has maintained a Winter Control Reserve of \$342,534 for many years to provide for this type of situation. Although it is not sufficient to cover the entire deficit, the use of this reserve will assist in reducing the negative impact on the Public Works & Engineering Department. Our Committee directed Staff to review the Winter Control Program for the 2020 Budget and make a recommendation to County Council .

7. County Road 51 (Petawawa Boulevard, Petawawa) Advisory Committee

RESOLUTION NO. OP-CC-19-03-15

Moved by Chair
Seconded by Committee

THAT the Operations Committee recommend that County Council approve the Terms of Reference for the County Road 51 (Petawawa Boulevard) Advisory Committee.

DRAFT

Background

The Striking Committee met on February 27, 2019 and the County Road 51 (Petawawa Boulevard) Advisory Committee was established. Accordingly, the Public Works & Engineering Department prepared a Terms of Reference that was approved by the Operations Committee and is subsequently to be reviewed and approved by County Council. Attached as Appendix I is a copy of the Terms of Reference.

8. County Road 51 (Petawawa Boulevard) Funding Application and Detailed Design and Class 'A' Estimate

RESOLUTION NO. OP-CC-19-03-16

Moved by Chair

Seconded by Committee

THAT staff be directed to complete the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund application immediately for the redevelopment of County Road 51; AND FURTHER THAT staff draft an RFP that will lead to the development of a detailed design for County Road 51.

Background

County Road 51 (Petawawa Boulevard) is located in the Town of Petawawa. It is the busiest road in the County of Renfrew with daily traffic volumes of 16,700 vehicles, and it consists of two lanes of traffic that has reached the end of its serviceable life.

The expansion of County Road 51 is a major priority for the County of Renfrew, and completion of the project will ensure the continued economic growth in the County of Renfrew and Eastern Ontario. The recent growth in the Town of Petawawa supports local business and has improved the quality of life for residents of the County of Renfrew.

A partnership is required with the Federal and Provincial Governments, and the County of Renfrew and the Town of Petawawa. Garrison Petawawa is the number one economic driver in Renfrew County, and they have invested a total of \$780 M in their infrastructure over the last 10 years. Garrison Petawawa has a work force of approximately 8,000 and the Town of Petawawa population is 17,500. Petawawa Boulevard experiences grid lock six times per day.

In 2014, AECON prepared a Transportation Study on County Road 51 which has led to the development of a preliminary design that will assist in moving this project forward. A detailed design and Class 'A' estimate are now required.

On February 25, 2019 County of Renfrew staff met with Mr. Stephen Lecce, Parliamentary Assistant from the Ministry of Infrastructure/Premier's Office to discuss

the importance of expansion and revitalization of County Road 51 (Petawawa Boulevard) within the Town of Petawawa. Tabled is a letter of thanks addressed to Mr. Stephen Lecce, Parliamentary Assistant thanking him for meeting with County elected officials and staff. Staff will continue to pursue additional meetings with provincial officials in an effort to move the project forward.

On Monday, March 11th a conference call was held with the Honourable Monte McNaughton, Minister of Infrastructure and the County Road 51 Advisory Committee, consisting of Warden J. Murphy, Operations Committee Chair T. Peckett, and Councillor R. Sweet, as well as CAO P. Moreau and Director of Public Works & Engineering L. Perkins, and Town of Petawawa CAO D. Scissons. During the Meeting Minister McNaughton indicated that a funding announcement for Provincial / Federal funding was imminent and that details about the application process would follow.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

T. Peckett, Chair

And Committee Members: D. Bennett, S. Keller, K. Love, D. Lynch, J. Murphy, C. Regier

The Report was adopted as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Love
Seconded by: Councillor Grills

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council move into a closed meeting pursuant to Section 239 of the Municipal to discuss a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land (CN Rail Line and Pembroke Property); and litigation or potential litigation (Child Care). Time: 11:29 a.m.

CARRIED.

Moved by: Councillor Donohue
Seconded by: Councillor Emon

THAT this resume as an open session of County Council. Time: 12:18 p.m.

CARRIED.

Council recessed for lunch at 12:18 p.m. Council reconvened at 12:53 p.m. with the same members present.

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

March 27, 2019

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. 2018 and 2019 Renfrew County Social Housing Registry Waitlist Statistics Comparison

2019	New Eligible Applicants on the Waitlist	Total of Eligible Applicants on the Waitlist	Eligible SPP on Waitlist
January	Not Available	1183	57
February			
March			
April			
May			
June			
July			
August			
September			
October			
November			
December			

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	27	1043	44
August	37	1070	50
September	16	1066	46
October	31	1070	50
November	54	1155	48
December	32	1175	51

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

NOTE: Of the 1183 applicants waiting for housing as of January 31, 2019, 137 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

2018 and 2019 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.

	2018		2019	
	FAMILIES	CHILDREN	FAMILIES	CHILDREN
January	326	474	337	478
February	326	474		
March	330	484		
April	334	487		
May	338	496		
June	340	499		
July	355	531		
August	346	519		
September	353	506		
October	354	506		
November	346	497		
December	339	486		

CURRENT COUNTY CENTRALIZED WAITLIST TOTAL - 335

2018 and 2019 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.

	2018		2019	
	Total Active Files	Receiving Resource Funding	Total Active Files	Receiving Resource Funding
January	160	72	158	54
February	169	66		
March	174	73		
April	181	73		
May	156	66		
June	159	70		
July	165	56		
August	164	63		
September	165	62		
October	168	55		
November	175	62		
December	155	55		

3. Ontario Works Caseload Statistics

2019 Monthly Caseload Comparison

December 2018	January 2019	Percentage of Change
1323	1331	0.6%

4. Transforming Ontario's Employment Services

On February 12, 2019 the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities announced a plan to transform employment services for all job seekers in Ontario.

Employment programs for Ontario Works and Ontario Disability Support Programs will be integrated into Employment Ontario to create a single streamlined system. A competitive process will be launched to select organizations to manage the employment service system in each catchment area in 2020. The competitive process will be open to any public, not-for-profit and private sector organization, as well as consolidated municipal service managers (CMSMs) and district social services administration boards (DSSABs). The new employment service system management model will be phased in, starting with three prototypes in the fall of 2019. Further details will be released in the coming months.

RESOLUTIONS

5. Community Safety and Well-Being Planning (CSWB)

RESOLUTION NO. SS-CC-19-03-07

Moved by Chair
Seconded by Committee

THAT the County of Renfrew contact the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services (MCSCS) to object to the mandate requiring municipalities in Renfrew County to develop a Community Safety and Well-Being Plan.

Background

The Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services has implemented new legislative requirements related to Community Safety and Well-Being Planning, as an amendment to the Police Services Act, 1990 (PSA). As part of legislation, local municipalities are required to develop and adopt community safety and well-being plans working in partnership with a multi-sectoral advisory committee comprised of representation from the police services board and other local service providers in health/mental health, education, community/social services and children/youth services. The new legislative requirements came into force on January 1, 2019 and municipalities have until 2021 to develop a plan. A failure to comply with the requirement will result in the appointment of a community safety planner by the Ministry who would be empowered to exercise the powers of a municipal council to fulfill the requirement to develop and implement a plan. The cost of appointing a planner would be charged to the municipality.

On March 7, 2019 the Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO) released a paper entitled: "Bill 68 – Comprehensive Ontario Police Services Act, 2019 Submission to the Standing Committee on Justice Policy" (attached). In this submission, AMO speaks to the mandate requiring municipalities to develop CSWB plans and supports the development of CSWB planning on a voluntary basis with consideration to capacity issues at the municipal level.

The Chief Administrative Officer and Director of Social Services recently met with Detachment Commander of the Renfrew OPP, Colin Slight to get a better understanding of the framework and planning that is to occur in local municipalities.

The Community Safety and Well-Being Planning (CSWB) was discussed at the last meeting of the Social Services Committee and the Committee felt very strongly that this is an OPP matter and should not be downloaded to lower tier municipalities as this would be an extra burden to municipalities both financially and on staff resources in terms of capacity to deliver, costs and ability to implement. The Social Services Committee is recommending that staff draft a letter for the Warden's signature to outline these concerns to the Ministry.

BY-LAWS

6. Amendment to By-law 50-17 – County of Renfrew Licensed Home Child Care

RESOLUTION NO. SS-CC-19-03-08

Moved by Chair

Seconded by Committee

THAT By-law No. 50-17 authorizing the County of Renfrew to enter into an agreement with Licensed Home Child Care service providers, be amended to enter into an agreement with Lillian Afelskie, Pembroke, Ontario.

Background:

On November 20, 2016, County Council approved that staff complete an application to the Ministry of Education to operate, on an interim basis, a Licensed Home Child Care Agency within the Child Care Division beginning 2017. Further, County Council approved that County of Renfrew Child Care Services proceed with the oversight of no more than five Licensed Child Care homes in rural Renfrew County for 2017. On April 25, 2018, County Council approved an increase of up to ten homes.

Licensed home child care differs from licensed child care centres in that it is located in a private home that is screened, monitored and approved by a licensed home child care agency. The licensed home child care agency is approved by the Ministry of Education and must meet specific provincial standards in order to operate. Licensed home child care agencies hire Home Visitors who have training in early childhood education to check that the home is safe for children before and after children are enrolled. Licensed Home Visitors also ensure caregivers are following the provincial requirements and the agency's policies and procedures. Individual caregivers are not licensed and have agreements with a licensed home child care agency to operate.

The County of Renfrew has entered into agreements with nine licensed child care homes that are operating at full capacity with a blend of full and part-time children. These homes are located in both urban and rural areas of Renfrew County meeting the needs where child care programs are full or unavailable. This new agreement will bring the total number of Licensed Home Child Care providers to ten.

7. Amendment to the Ontario Early Years Child and Family Centre Service Agreement

RESOLUTION NO. SS-CC-19-03-13

Moved by Chair

Seconded by Committee

THAT By-law 108-17, being a by-law to authorize the Warden and Clerk to Execute the Ontario Transfer Payment Agreement with the Ministry of Education for the 2018-19 Ontario Early Years Child and Family Centre Service Agreement, be amended to add Amending Agreement No. 2 to reflect the Community-Based EarlyON Child and Family Centre Capital Program (CBEP) funding allocation.

Background

The 2018-2019 Ontario Early Years Child and Family Centre Service Agreement between the County of Renfrew and the Ministry of Education sets out a two-year contract cycle to support continuity in planning for the Ontario Early Years Child and Family Centres (EarlyON).

The County of Renfrew adopted By-law No. 108-17 on October 25, 2017 to enter into the 2018-2019 Ontario Early Years Child and Family Centre Agreement. The agreement was amended on February 28, 2018 (By-law No. 23-18) by adding Amending Agreement No. 1 to reflect additional Journey Together funding.

The Ministry of Education now wishes to amend the agreement to add Amending Agreement No. 2 to reflect additional Community-Based EarlyON Child and Family Centre Capital Program (CBEP) funding allocation.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Debbie Robinson, Chair

And Committee Members: J. Brose, G. Doncaster, D. Grills, B. Hunt, J. Murphy, J. Reinwald, J. Visneskie Moore

Council directed that a letter be sent to the Ministry of Solicitor General advising that the County of Renfrew will not participate in a Community Safety & Well-Being Plan.

The Report was adopted as presented.

Councillor Love vacated the meeting at 1:37 p.m.

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

March 27, 2019

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 is the Activity Tracker for February 2019. In February, the Planning Division opened 13 new severance applications and prepared 16 planning checklists for general inquiries (pre-consultations).

For the period January – February 2019, the County of Renfrew opened 17 severance applications compared to 20 over the same period in 2018. With respect to decisions, 25 decisions were rendered from January – February 2019 compared to 15 rendered over the same period in 2018.

Two new plans of subdivision were submitted—one for the Calabogie Peaks property in the Township of Greater Madawaska, which would facilitate the conversion of 18 existing time shares into condominium units, and the other for 13 lots for single detached dwellings in the Town of Petawawa.

2. Town of Renfrew Planning Services

The Town of Renfrew Planner, Mr. Ivan Burton, has departed from his position with the Town to take up duties in a newly created planner/economic development position with the Township of Whitewater Region.

The Town of Renfrew requested our assistance in providing planning services during the transition period between Mr. Burton's departure and the arrival of a replacement. This period is estimated to be from March 19, 2019 to late April/early May.

County staff discussed this request internally and determined that the resources are available to provide assistance during the above-noted transition period. Mr. Bruce Howarth, Senior Planner, will be the main contact for this purpose, assisted by

Ms. Anne McVean, Junior Planner. Both have worked with the Town in the past and look forward to assisting the Town during this period.

The additional work can be absorbed as part of the County's regular service to local municipalities, but any extra costs such as mileage and overtime (night meetings) will be covered by the Town.

3. Housing Supply Action Plan

Tabled is a letter from Minister Steve Clark, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) advising that the consultation process for the government's Housing Supply Action Plan has ended. Minister Clark notes in his correspondence that MMAH is reviewing the *Planning Act* and Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) to ensure that they are calibrated to achieve the government's streamlining and housing supply objectives. His intention will be to bring forward legislation and policy changes in the coming months that would impact planning province-wide. He advises municipalities to consider an interim pause on any review of major planning documents until the Province's work is completed.

4. Local Planning Appeal Support Centre (LPASC)

Tabled is a letter addressed to the Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO) from Irwin Glasberg, Assistant Deputy Attorney General, Ministry of the Attorney General, advising that the Government of Ontario has decided to wind down the services of LPASC. LPASC opened its doors in April 2018 and provided free services for individuals and groups who engaged in planning matters under the *Planning Act* and within the jurisdiction of the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT).

5. County Official Plan Amendment No. 25 (OPA 25)

Tabled is the Draft Decision from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing on Official Plan Amendment No. 25 (OPA 25), which was received Friday, March 15, 2019. Staff have had time to review the Decision internally and with Ministry staff from the Municipal Services Office East (MSOE) in Kingston.

As reported to Committee on March 12, 2019, the expectation was that the Decision would approve as much of OPA 25 as possible, while putting a "pause" on the contentious issues until after the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) is updated by the provincial government, which is expected in the Fall of 2019.

Staff can report that, with the exception of a few minor technical issues, the Draft Decision accomplishes our stated goal of having the lion's share of OPA 25 approved on the items the County and Ministry agree on, and rendering a "non-decision" on the items we disagree on (i.e. the contentious issues). These contentious issues are to be

addressed at a follow-up Official Plan Amendment when the updated PPS is in effect. The revised PPS may be less prescriptive than the current 2014 PPS, and thus possibly more amenable to County of Renfrew interests.

Since this decision is a “partial decision” of OPA 25, it is important to point out what is not included in the Decision. To that end we can verify the following:

- (a) There are no changes to the consent policy. The consent policies in the 2003 County of Renfrew Official Plan regarding the potential number of residential lots permitted per holding (3+2+Planning Justification Report) will remain in place until the next update of the Plan.
- (b) There are no growth allocations in the Plan.
- (c) There are no deer yards in the Plan.
- (d) There are no additional lands designated Agriculture. This means, for example, there is no change to the lands designated Agriculture in the Township of North Algona Wilberforce, and there are no additional lands designated Agriculture in Horton Township beyond those lands designated in OPA 25.
- (e) There are no additional lands designated Mineral Aggregate.
- (f) There are no Karst policies in the Official Plan. We will continue to use the Karst protocol.
- (g) There are no changes to the requirements for Environmental Impact Studies; the policies in the current 2003 Official Plan will remain in place for the time being.
- (h) The Province’s revised wording related to “reserve sewage system capacity” which would have excluded reference to the spreading of septage onto fields is not included.
- (i) There are no policies related to the Township of Laurentian Valley; the Township remains outside of the County of Renfrew Official Plan.
- (j) The mapping for the Township of Whitewater Region will revert to the 2003 mapping in the 2003 County Official Plan. The mapping and policies contained in Official Plan Amendment No. 11, which was a comprehensive amendment to the County Plan specifically for Whitewater Region, will be incorporated by a separate decision by the Province at a later, as of yet, unspecified date.

It is important to point out that the contentious issues will not disappear. Rather, the Ministry is making a “non-decision” on those matters, which we will have to take up with the Ministry again in a follow-up Official Plan Amendment after the PPS is updated.

We expect the final version of the Decision to be made by Friday, March 22, 2019, thereby “sheltering” any appeal on the approved policies and mapping.

The non-decision items would, however, be open to appeal after March 24, 2019, because of the Minister’s failure to make a decision within the prescribed time period of 210 days.

Once the lion's share of OPA 25 is approved, County staff will prepare the final, consolidated document, both text and maps, that will be used as the new Official Plan.

On a final note, the Town of Laurentian Hills and the Township of McNab/Braeside requested, by resolution, that the County of Renfrew include their municipalities in the County of Renfrew Official Plan. Thus OPA 25 included these municipalities in the updated Plan and incorporates some specific policies and mapping details pertaining to these municipalities. The two local Official Plans for Laurentian Hills and McNab/Braeside now have to be formally repealed, which will be required to be undertaken by way of an amendment to the Plans; the amendments will have to proceed in accordance with the requirements under the *Planning Act*. County staff can begin coordinating this next step with municipal staff. In the meantime, until these local Official Plans are repealed, both the local Plans and the County of Renfrew Plan will apply. Again, staff will have to work closely with the municipalities in the near future to ensure a smooth transition between these Plans. The final Decision will be available for County Council and presented by Mr. Charles Cheesman, Manager of Planning Services.

6. Driving Prosperity: The Future of Ontario's Automotive Sector

Tabled is a letter from the Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade regarding plans for a *Job Site Challenge* which will give municipalities, that wish to participate, the opportunity to propose sites of 500 to 1,500 acres for industrial expansion. Their goal is to help proponents create competitive shovel-ready sites where an automaker can build a plant and bring thousands of good-paying jobs to the community.

7. North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) Resolution

Tabled is correspondence received from the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food in response to the County of Renfrew's letter of support to the resolution from the Township of Admaston/Bromley demanding that the Federal Government fully fund its commitment to provide support to our supply managed commodity sector for the concessions reached during the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) talks in order to ensure sustainable jobs, growth and safe food for all Canadians.

8. Economic and Community Development Events Hosted by County of Renfrew

There are two events coming to the County of Renfrew this spring which will be of great interest and value to County councillors, municipal councillors, community leaders, municipal economic and community development staff and business leaders.

(a) **Teeny Tiny Summit Calabogie, Thursday April 4, 2019, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Calabogie Peaks Resort, Greater Madawaska Township.** Teeny Tiny Summits are one day conferences designed for municipal, community and business leaders from

small and rural regions to learn about successes, best practices and opportunities for sustainability and growth. Presentations from and networking opportunities with municipal and business leaders who have done positive and innovative things in their communities is a central part of the conference. Keynote speaker Peter Kenyon from Australia will bring new and proven examples of small town innovation for re-invention and growth from his consulting work all over the world. Just \$40 for a full day of learning and a local lunch.

- (b) **OSUM 2019 – Ontario Small Urban Municipalities Conference, Wednesday, May 1 to Friday, May 3, 2019, Pembroke Best Western Inn and Conference Centre.** OSUM 2019 will bring municipal leaders for small municipalities across Ontario to Renfrew County and the City of Pembroke for a very high-level learning and networking opportunity. Fully supported by the Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO), the agenda will address key issues facing municipalities in this time of **‘Changing Landscapes’**. Key ministers, senior staff, keynote speakers and fellow elected leaders from across Ontario will be here in the Ottawa Valley, a wonderful opportunity for new and seasoned councillors to network and learn.

The Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing will address the conference on Thursday, May 2, 2019. Mr. André Picard, award-winning national health writer will be the closing keynote speaker. Tabled is the 2019 OSUM Conference and Trade Show program outline. To register for this event, visit: <http://osum.ca/Events/2019OSUM.aspx>.

9. FedDev Ontario Funding: Towards a Stronger Southern Ontario

Tabled is the FedDev Ontario document, Towards a Stronger Southern Ontario, which introduces the Innovation and Growth agenda of FedDev Ontario. Our Committee directed the economic development staff to prepare a response to the request for information from FedDev Ontario seeking feedback from economic development organizations, community advocates, industry, academia and indigenous communities regarding the most effective deployment of \$100 million over three years to drive innovation and growth in rural southern Ontario.

10. Canadian Nuclear Laboratories (CNL) Remediation Project Updates

Tabled is an update from CNL regarding two local projects, the Near Surface Disposal Facility (NSDF) and the decommissioning of the Nuclear Power Demonstration (NPD) Facility at Rolphton, Town of Laurentian Hills.

11. Local Business Accolades for Provincial Leaders in Business

Bonnechere Caves has been recognized as the **Best Bicycle Friendly Business in Ontario 2019** at the Cycle Tourism Conference Canada-Destination Bike, held in Toronto on

March 1, 2019. Already a well-known motorcycle tourism friendly destination, the Bonnechere Caves are now known to be a great host to bicyclists as well as every other visitor.

Hugli's Blueberry Ranch has been recognized as the **Ontario Outstanding On-Farm Market of the Year** at the Ontario Fruit and Vegetable Conference held recently in Niagara Falls. This provincial award is presented each year by the Ontario Farm Fresh Marketing Association (OFFMA) to recognize an OFFMA member who has demonstrated outstanding qualities in regards to their own farm business as well as the advancement of the direct farm sales/agri-tourism industry as a whole.

Residents of the County of Renfrew know very well the high quality service, great fun, education and unique experiences Bonnechere Caves and Hugli's Blueberry Ranch provide to all visitors. It is very exciting to see the wide scale and scope of recognition they have generated across Ontario, and we know this extends across Canada and internationally.

12. Summer Company Student Entrepreneur Outreach

Enterprise Renfrew County Program Officer, Ms. Kim Fraser, introduced students at Arnprior District High School to the opportunities and benefits of the Summer Company program. Summer Company enables students to create their own summer job by developing and operating a business of their own. Ms. Fraser also promoted the Make Your Pitch program, which is an Ontario-wide contest run by the Ontario Centres of Excellence in which students create a two-minute video pitch of their business concept. Prizes include a place in the Summer Company program (with \$3,000 support for their business) and a \$750 education voucher.

13. Annual Report for Renfrew County Forest Activities

Tabled is the 2018 Annual Report for activities on Renfrew County Forest. The report provides a summary of harvest, silviculture and other activities. Ms. Lacey Rose, County Forester will provide a brief presentation on the Annual Report at a future meeting of County Council.

14. Ontario Forest Industry Association's 2019 Forest Sector Champion Award

Congratulations to Ms. Lacey Rose who was presented with the Ontario Forest Industry Association's 2019 Forest Sector Champion award for her work in elevating the status of professional forestry at the Ontario Forest Industry Association's Annual Conference. Ian Dunn, RPF, Director of Forestry Policy, Ontario Forest Industries Association, stated, "For elevating the status of professional forestry and the sector as a whole...at home and abroad...And for just being a genuinely great person, I am so happy to present Lacey Rose with our 2019 OFIA Forest Sector Champion award."

15. Environmental Registry of Ontario – 10th Year Review of Endangered Species Act: Discussion Paper

County Council, in February, was advised that staff would be submitting comments on the 10-year review of Ontario's *Endangered Species Act* consistent with the County's previous stance to the Environmental Bill of Rights Registry. Tabled is the submission prepared by Ms. Lacey Rose, County Forester in behalf of the County of Renfrew along with a letter provided from the Warden.

16. Weed Inspection

Tabled is correspondence received from the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs announcing that the annual Weed Inspectors' Conference is to be held in Guelph, Ontario on April 17, 2019. Mr. Jason Davis, County Weed Inspector, will be attending this Conference. Mr. Davis will be reaching out to the local municipalities to advise of his role within the County of Renfrew.

17. Request for Proposal Architectural Services – County Administration Building Renovations & New Paramedic Base

The Request for Proposal (RFP) for Architectural Services for the County Administration Building renovations and construction of a new Paramedic Base was issued on February 13, 2019. Seven proposals were received and scored by the Evaluation Committee which consisted of Jeffrey Foss, Director of Finance; Craig Kelley, Director of Development & Property; Brian Leahey, Deputy Chief-Operations; Janet Porter, Asset Management Coordinator and Kevin Valiquette, Manager of Real Property Assets. The firms of +VG Architects, HDR Architects, GRC Architects and Cole + Associates Architects scored the highest in the evaluations and were invited to provide presentations to the Committee.

Following the presentations, the firm of +VG Architects was selected by the Committee as the successful proponent for awarding of Phase I of the RFP based on the following:

- Highest scoring in the evaluation criteria defined in the RFP.
- Largest amount of Municipal project experience.
- Vision and master planning that was presented during the interview.
- +VG pursued the project aggressively and this was reflected in their costing proposal which was the lowest of the seven firms. The firm is originally based out of Brantford but they have been establishing an Ottawa office over the past five years.
- Previous experience with the County of Renfrew. The firm provided architectural and consultant design services for the Renfrew OPP project.

The RFP deliverables are in two phases with the following costing provided by +VG:

Phase I: Preliminary Design and Consultation (\$48,500)

Phase II: Tender and Contract Management (6.4% of construction cost)

Phase I will include a preliminary design and rendering drawings along with a Class D cost estimate for the project deliverables. This Phase will involve several meetings, interviews, and surveys with key personnel. The goal is to have this presented to the June 26, 2019 meeting of County Council. The awarding of the Phase II work of the project to +VG Architects is dependent on County Council approval and direction following the June 26 meeting of Council.

RESOLUTIONS

18. International Plowing Match and Rural Expo (IPM)

RESOLUTION NO. DP-CC-19-03-36

Moved by Chair

Seconded by Committee

THAT County Council consider the following request from the Town of Renfrew for financial and human resources in a supporting role for the International Plowing Match and Rural Expo (IPM) 2021, pending the results of the negotiations with the key property owners regarding the use of their lands, and a detailed review of the hosting requirements:

- 1) A loan of \$100,000, as the local IPM Committee is formed. This is consistent with the past practice of other Counties when they host the IPM.
- 2) To match the Town of Renfrew's commitment to providing \$10,000 in seed funding.
- 3) The placement of Paramedics on site during the 2021 IPM as an in-kind contribution.
- 4) To fund a paid professional Manager for the IPM to be employed from May 1, 2019 until November 30, 2021 at a cost of approximately \$100,000. This is consistent with the practice during the Expo 150 celebrations and also consistent with the expectations and practice of other Counties when acting as host.
- 5) To contribute advertising and promotion assistance, which would be in addition to the efforts of the Ottawa Valley Tourist Association (OVTA) and Ontario's Highlands Tourism Organization (OHTO), to this event for a period of May 1, 2019 until September 30, 2021.
- 6) The County Operations Division, the Economic Development Department/OVTA, Trails Division, Finance Department and other County divisions, from time to time, under the direction of the CAO/Clerk be assigned tasks to move the 2021 IPM towards success. Again, this is in recognition of the practice of the County of Renfrew during Expo 150.
- 7) The Media Relations/Grants Coordinator, from time to time, under the direction of the CAO/Clerk be assigned tasks to determine grants and other funding available and offer expert advice on messaging to move the 2021 IPM towards success.

Background

The Town of Renfrew and the Township of Admaston/Bromley have been collaborating on investigations into the feasibility of bidding on hosting the 2021 IPM. The focus has been on identifying suitable site lands in the Township of Admaston/Bromley, which can be linked with the Ma-Te-Way Centre and facilities in the Town of Renfrew. Development & Property Department Economic Development Services has been supporting the Town and Township with the research and outreach to property owners.

Tabled is a letter from Reeve Peter Emon of the Town of Renfrew along with the Town of Renfrew Resolution No. 2019 - 2 - 3. Also tabled is the Admaston/Bromley Township Resolution No. 11/02/19 supporting the Town of Renfrew bid to host IPM 2021.

19. Canadian National (CN) Railway Abandoned Rail Corridor

RESOLUTION NO. DP-CC-19-03-37

Moved by: Councillor Emon

Seconded by: Councillor Lynch

THAT the following words be added to the motion below "by 4:00 p.m. on April 23, 2019".

NOT PASSED

Moved by Councillor Doncaster

Seconded by Councillor Peckett

THAT County Council direct staff to cease negotiations with CN until such time that CN can demonstrate a willingness to address the provisions relating to environmental concerns and cost and that a letter under the Warden's signature be prepared advising CN of this decision; AND FURTHER THAT staff advise the municipalities of Whitewater Region, Laurentian Valley, Killaloe, Hagarty & Richards and the City of Pembroke of County Council's decision and of the potential sale of CN properties to another interested party.

CARRIED.

Background

A presentation on the progression of negotiations with CN on the purchase of the abandoned rail line will be presented to County Council. Our Committee directed that the two options be presented to County Council.

RESOLUTIONS

20. **Pembroke Property Purchase**

RESOLUTION NO. DP-CC-19-03-45

Moved by Chair
Seconded by Committee

THAT County Council direct staff to cease negotiations with the City of Pembroke for the acquisition of lands adjacent to the County Administration Building, and continue to work on an acceptable solution with the architect to site the new Pembroke Paramedic Base on the lands currently owned by the County of Renfrew at 9 International Drive, Pembroke, Ontario.

Background

Discussion was held with regards to acquisition of lands adjacent to the County Administration Building. Our Committee reviewed the official response from the City of Pembroke.

21. **Pembroke Property Purchase**

RESOLUTION NO. DP-CC-19-03-45

Moved by Chair
Seconded by Committee

THAT County Council direct staff to cease negotiations with the City of Pembroke for the acquisition of lands adjacent to the County Administration Building, and continue to work on an acceptable solution with the architect to site the new Pembroke Paramedic Base on the lands currently owned by the County of Renfrew at 9 International Drive, Pembroke, Ontario as originally considered as an option.

Background

Discussion was held with regard to acquisition of lands adjacent to the County Administration Building. Our Committee reviewed the official response from the City of Pembroke.

Councillor Emon indicated that he would prepare a Business case for the International Plowing Match and Rural Expo (IPM) 2021.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Robert Sweet, Chair

And Committee Members: P. Emon, S. Keller, K. Love, C. Regier, J. Reinwald, J. Murphy

The Report was adopted as presented.

Council recessed at 2:55 p.m. Council reconvened at 3:05 p.m. with the same members present except Councillor Sweet.

Councillor Peter Emon, Vice-Chair of the Finance & Administration Committee, brought in and read the resolutions of the following report:

March 27, 2019

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. Federal/Provincial Funding

On February 27, 2019 the Honourable Navdeep Bains, Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development and Minister responsible for FedDev Ontario, accompanied by the Honourable Bernadette Jordan, Minister of Rural Economic Development, and Francis Drouin, Member of Parliament for Glengarry–Prescott–Russell, announced over \$1 Billion in funding for FedDev Ontario to continue to foster growth in southern Ontario.

- FedDev Ontario is dedicating an initial sum of \$100 million to projects that drive innovation and growth in rural communities.
- Projects can now be submitted using a single application, through three simplified funding streams.
 1. Business scale-up and productivity,
 2. Regional Innovation Ecosystem, and
 3. Community Economic Development and Diversification.
- Municipalities are eligible to apply under either the Regional Innovation Ecosystem or the Community Economic Development and Diversification streams.
- The Province also launched an engagement process, inviting everyone in the region to provide feedback that will help target new investments and maximize their impact in southern Ontario.

A backgrounder is tabled for more information.

2. Corporate Communications Strategy

Tabled is a County of Renfrew Comprehensive Corporate Communications Plan framework for Council's review and comment. This framework has been reviewed by our Committee, the CAO and the Senior Leadership Team.

The framework outlines the three main goals and objectives which will be utilized as a guiding document to create a fulsome draft Communications Plan, centering on getting a clear message across of why, what and how the County delivers services. The completed plan will focus on meeting the three main goals to:

1. Create effective channels of communication to internal and external clients.
2. Maintain a focus on clear, coordinated, and frequent messaging that focuses on the “Why” of service delivery, policy, and decisions of the County of Renfrew.
3. Ensure all messaging to clients is timely, and ensure we stay out ahead of key issues.

A draft of the full plan will be brought forward for review and approval at a future date. Our Committee was very pleased with the direction of this Corporate Communications Strategy, which will ensure a consistent approach in how the County of Renfrew delivers communications, and our Committee looks forward to the final version.

3. Strategic Plan

The County of Renfrew has engaged Mr. Erik Lockhart from the Smith School of Business, Queen’s University to assist us in developing a revised Strategic Plan. Tabled is a document that outlines the schedule and project objectives.

Our Committee noted the date of May 22, 2019 at Miramichi Lodge for this Strategic Planning Workshop and expressed our appreciation for the aggressive timeline and noted that this is an excellent opportunity for all Elected Officials to provide input into developing a revised County of Renfrew Strategic Plan.

4. County of Renfrew – WSIB Actuarial Report

The County of Renfrew undertakes an actuarial valuation of WSIB liabilities every 3 years to meet our reporting requirements under the Public Sector Accounting Board recommendations for local government. Mondelis Actuarial completed the County of Renfrew’s last Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB) liabilities valuation for the year ended December 31, 2015. Mondelis has now completed an analysis of the 2018 fiscal year expense for the County’s WSIB benefits plan, as well as forecasts for the fiscal years 2019 and 2020. The report and results are attached as Appendix I and have been prepared in accordance with Sections 3250 and 3255 of the Public Sector Account Board Handbook (PSAB 3250/3255). The actuarial valuation is based on the WSIB’s claims history for the County of Renfrew, WSIB’s estimate of future benefit costs and administrative loadings, as well as several bi-weekly WSIB invoices for the period ending around December 31, 2018. From this information, a listing of in-force claimants was generated for year end, a valuation was performed to incorporate future expectation of payment for mortality and recovery as loadings were applied for future health care costs.

Since our 2015 valuation, the main factors which impacted the results were:

- census experience particularly for the Paramedic group; and
- provisions for chronic mental stress and health care liability are now included.

5. Information Technology - Cyber Security Training

At our February Committee meeting staff had indicated that one of the 2019 Information Technology projects was to provide all network users with training on ways to prevent a cyber attack. Our Committee asked if this training could be extended to Elected Officials.

Accordingly, Mr. Paul Moreau, Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk advised all staff with corporate email privileges of their requirement to participate in comprehensive Cyber Security Awareness Training. On March 1, 2019 all staff received an email from our training partner KnowBe4 with detailed instructions on how to sign in and access their personalized training program. The training will consist of a 45 minute on-line interactive training video which will save their progress as they proceed through the training. Employees will have until June 30, 2019 to complete this on-line interactive training program and failure to complete the training within this period may result in suspended email privileges.

The County of Renfrew is unable to extend this training to Elected Officials using their personal/municipal email accounts, as they are not part of the County Domain as per the license agreement with KnowBe4. However, if an Elected Official would like to participate in this training, we can provide a temporary email account and related licence until the training is complete. The cost of this program is \$63 per user. If any Elected Official is still interested in obtaining this training, please contact Mr. Chris Ryn, Manager of Information Technology at 613-735-7288 Ext. 443 or by email at CRyn@countyofrenfrew.on.ca.

6. 2019 Tax Policy

The Tax Policy Working Group consisting of all local Municipal Treasurers, met on Wednesday, March 20, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Mr. Foss will provide a report and the taxation By-laws to the April session of County Council.

7. 2018 Unaudited Financial Statement

Mr. Jeffrey Foss, Director of Finance/Treasurer will be providing an overview of the 2018 Unaudited Treasurer's Report during the various Standing Committees of County Council at their upcoming April 2019 meetings.

8. Policy GA-06 Investment Policy

The Statement of Investment Policies and Goals is intended to direct the investment of surplus cash, Trust Funds, Reserve and Reserve Funds of the Corporation of the County of Renfrew in accordance with the requirements of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001 c.25 and Ontario Regulation 438/97, as amended. This policy also requires that the

Treasurer report annually to Council on investment activities as per the requirements of Ontario Regulation 438/97, as amended. The following is the report of the Treasurer:

The investment portfolio, as at December 31, 2018, is represented in the following table.

<u>Investment Type - 2018</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
Current Accounts (RAAG)	25,148,469.96	58.0%
BMO Term (364 days to Dec 18/19 - 2.83%)	10,010,079.50	23.1%
Montreal Trust (Jun 8/21 - 2.00%)	404,536.99	0.9%
Bank of Montreal GIC (Sep 20/21 - 1.75%)	502,469.18	1.2%
Equitable Bank GIC (Sep 20/21 - 1.86%)	100,522.05	0.2%
Laurentian Bank GIC (Sep 20/21 - 1.86%)	100,524.88	0.2%
Presidents Choice Bank GIC (Sep 20/21 - 1.76%)	100,496.66	0.2%
CDN Western Bank (May 8/19 - 2.35%)	1,015,323.29	2.3%
Bank of Montreal GIC (Nov 6/23 - 3.51%)	1,005,385.21	2.3%
Bank of Montreal GIC (Oct 15/19 - 2.46%)	1,005,256.99	2.3%
National Bank (May 7/19 - 2.00%)	1,013,095.89	2.3%
Montreal Trust (May 7/20 - 2.20%)	1,014,405.48	2.3%
HSBC Bank of Canada GIC (Aug 12/20 - 2.10%)	403,267.95	0.9%
BMO Trust (Sep 16/20 - 2.16%)	503,166.03	1.2%
Home Equity Bank (Sep 16/20 - 2.17%)	100,636.14	0.2%
Manulife Bank GIC (Sep 19/22 - 2.65%)	503,775.34	1.2%
B2B Bank GIC (Dec 5/22 - 2.87%)	100,212.30	0.2%
Canadian Tire Bank GIC (Dec 5/22 - 2.91%)	100,215.26	0.2%
Concentra Bank GIC (Dec 5/22 - 2.90%)	100,214.52	0.2%
LBC Trust GIC (Dec 5/22 - 2.87%)	100,212.30	0.2%
Totals	43,332,265.92	100.0%

The County of Renfrew made the following investment transactions in 2018:

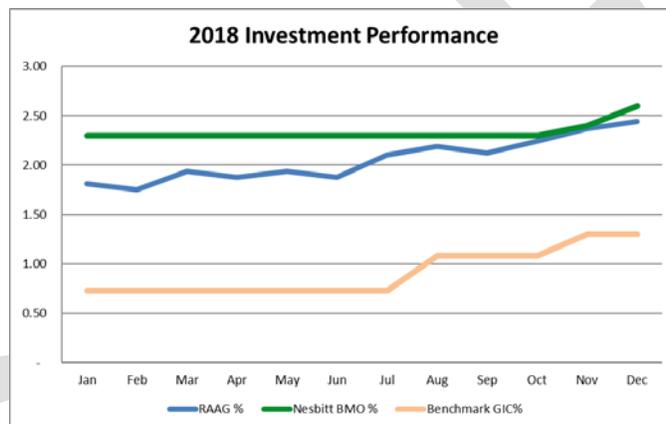
<u>Investment Type - 2018</u>	<u>Purchased</u>	<u>Redeemed</u>
Bank of Montreal GIC (Oct 22/18 - 2.92%)		(1,000,000)
CDN Western Bank (May 7/18 - 1.86%)		(1,000,000)
CDN Western Bank (May 8/19 - 2.35%)	1,000,000	
Bank of Montreal GIC (Nov 6/23 - 3.51%)	1,000,000	
BMO Term (364 days to Dec 18/19 - 2.83%)	1,000,000	
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Totals	12,000,000	(2,000,000)

The following table provides a summary of the performance of the portfolio of investments for 2018, compared to the Bank of Canada 1 Year GIC benchmark:

Date	Actual RAAG County Rate Blended (Pooled and Unpooled)	Average BMO Nesbitt Investment Return	1 YEAR GIC Benchmark	BMO 364 Day Term
Jan	1.81	2.3	0.73	0
Feb	1.75	2.3	0.73	0
Mar	1.94	2.3	0.73	0
Apr	1.87	2.3	0.73	0
May	1.94	2.3	0.73	0
Jun	1.87	2.3	0.73	0
Jul	2.10	2.3	0.73	0
Aug	2.19	2.3	1.08	0
Sep	2.12	2.3	1.08	0
Oct	2.24	2.3	1.08	0
Nov	2.37	2.4	1.3	0
Dec	2.45	2.6	1.3	2.83
Average	2.05	2.33	0.91	2.83

Note: Rates from the Bank of Canada (GIC) are as of the last day of the month. County rates are actual based on interest earned during the month.

The following chart presents a graphical perspective on our investment performance compared to our benchmark - the Chartered Bank administered 1 year guaranteed investment certificate (GIC) rates of return.



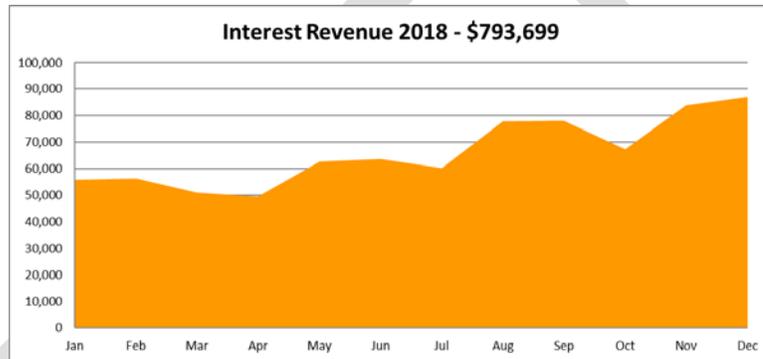
The County of Renfrew, as part of the Renfrew Area Administrators Group (RAAG), receives a preferred rate on all current funds held in a RAAG account. The current program provides for a return of Bank Prime less 1.55% on all funds invested outside of the pool and bank prime less 1.5% for all funds used by other members of the pooled arrangement. Our average rate of return for the RAAG current accounts was 2.05% (1.68% in 2017). The RAAG banking arrangement was opened to a Request for Proposal process in 2012, and the Bank of Montreal was awarded a new 5 year term starting August 1, 2012. In 2017, the Renfrew Area Administrators Group (RAAG) exercised their option for a five year extension to the existing BMO agreement for the period August 1, 2017 – July 31, 2022.

In addition to the RAAG program listed above, the County of Renfrew utilizes BMO Nesbitt Burns to source other investment opportunities in accordance with our Investment Policy and the Municipal Act. These investments are in the form of Canadian and Provincial guaranteed bonds, municipal bonds, deposit certificates for

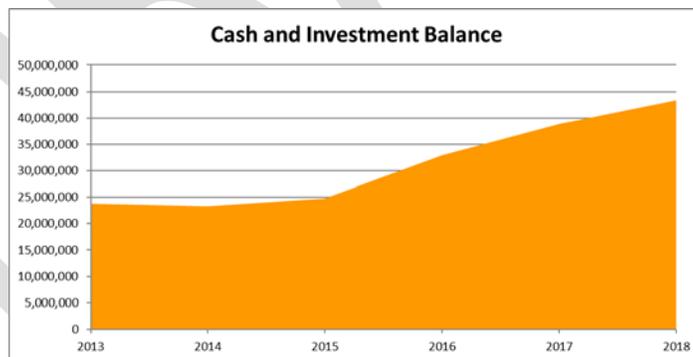
Schedule I or II banks and deposit certificates for loan and trust corporations. We utilize a 5 year laddered approach to investing which is an investment strategy that reduces the reinvestment risk associated with rolling over maturing bonds and fixed-income products all at once and also helps manage the flow of money, ensuring that we have a steady stream of cash flows available to us every year. Our average rate of return with BMO Nesbitt Burns was 2.33% (2.21% in 2017).

On December 18, 2018, we also purchased a 364 day term deposit from the Bank of Montreal that offered a 2.83% return on investment. On that date, the RAAG program was earning 2.4% and the annualized investment benefit because of this decision was a \$43,000 increase in investment income.

Total interest received and accrued for 2018 was \$793,699 (\$498,768 in 2017).



The five year history of the cash and investment positions for the County of Renfrew is presented in the following chart:



Compliance With Investment Policies and Goals

It is the opinion of the Treasurer that all investments were made in accordance with the investment policies and goals adopted by the County of Renfrew.

RESOLUTIONS

9. Representation on AMO (Association of Municipalities of Ontario) Board of Directors / ROMA Board of Directors

RESOLUTION NO. FA-CC-19-03-34

Moved by Chair
Seconded by Committee

WHEREAS the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) represents the interests of municipalities on policy and program matters that fall within provincial jurisdiction; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the County of Renfrew supports the appointment of Councillor Emon to the Rural Caucus, AMO Board of Directors and by extension to the ROMA Board of Directors; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that County Council approves that the funds be included in the 2019 budget for Councillor Emon's attendance at the AMO Board meetings for the period from April 2019 to August 2020. AND FURTHER THAT Resolution No. FA-CC-18-11-120 be rescinded.

Background

Through the Municipal Election in October, the AMO Board of Directors has lost some of its members, and Councillor Emon wishes to be appointed to a vacant position on the AMO Board, which by extension also includes a position on the ROMA Board of Directors.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Glenn Doncaster, Chair

And Committee Members, M. Donohue, P. Emon, B. Hunt, J. Murphy, T. Peckett, D. Robinson, R. Sweet.

The Report was adopted as presented.

Councillor Michael Donohue, Chair of the Health Committee, brought in and read the resolutions of the following report:

March 27, 2019

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 meeting is as follows:

POPULATION			
HOME	December 31, 2018	January 31, 2019	February 28, 2019
Bonnechere Manor	176	177	178
Miramichi Lodge	160	162	163
TOTAL	336	339	341

2. Champlain Local Health Integration (CLHIN) Waitlist Information

We wish to advise that the waitlist for Renfrew County long-term care homes for the months of November, December 2018 and January 2019 are as follows:

Renfrew County Long-Term Care Homes	Number of Clients on Waitlist		
	Nov 2018	Dec 2018	Jan 2019
Bonnechere Manor	193	190	190
Caessant Care Cobden	86	82	87
Deep River & District Hospital – The Four Seasons Lodge	59	62	59
Grove (The) Arnprior & District Nursing Home	95	104	110
Groves Park Lodge	154	151	154
Marianhill Inc	176	174	172
Miramichi Lodge	324	324	322
North Renfrew Long-Term Care Services Inc.	88	91	88
Valley Manor Inc.	65	66	63
Totals	1240	1244	1245

3. Non-Urgent Inter-Facility Transfers – Paramedic Service

Two meetings were hosted by the Service on January 31 and March 4, 2019 that included senior administrative staff from each of the five hospitals in the County, the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) and Ms. Darlene Rose, Senior Integration Specialist with Champlain Local Health Integration Network (LHIN). The purpose of the meetings was to share the current challenges being experienced by the Paramedic Service in relation to requests for service and to advise of the planned reduction of availability of Paramedic units for non-urgent inter-facility transfers.

As a result of the significant increases in emergency response requests in the community, the Service's availability to schedule and complete non-emergency requests in a timely fashion has steadily decreased over the past years. For the purpose of determining the Paramedic Service resources available for response, the Paramedic Service outlines its requirements through a deployment plan that is provided to the MOHLTC and once adopted, it is utilized by the MOHLTC Renfrew Central Ambulance Communications Centre. The MOHLTC requires that the County determine a Minimum Emergency Coverage Level (MEC) for the community. The MEC is the minimum number of Paramedic Units that must remain available for emergency response coverage. Therefore, the remaining number of units available at any given time may be assigned non-emergency tasks.

For many years, the County has established an MEC of seven units out of the 10 units scheduled to be available during daytime operations. As discussed with the Council in August 2018, it was identified that to maintain the Service's ability to respond to the increased frequency and duration of emergency calls in the community, there is a requirement to increase emergency availability. To maintain the current level of performance without adding additional Paramedic Service resources, the deployment plan change, effective April 1, 2019, will reflect an increase of Paramedic units available to an MEC of Level 8, allowing a maximum of two Paramedic units available to complete non-emergency transfers. This change represents a reduction of one unit available from the current status. As the challenges related to an increase in overall call volume continue to persist, we expect that there will either need to be a progressive reduction in the availability of Paramedic units or the addition of Paramedic units in future years to meet demand and achieve our performance requirements.

Concern was expressed by the hospital representatives about a lack of existing hospital or LHIN funding to purchase this alternative service delivery. A general dissatisfaction with the lack of current options in Renfrew County for non-urgent transfers was discussed. Several go-forward options were discussed, including the possibility of the LHIN providing funding for County of Renfrew Paramedic Service transfer units such as the model in the North East LHIN, or looking at a group hospital purchasing agreement for an alternate transportation provider. Ms. Rose requested that each hospital provide the LHIN with a two-week sample of data outlining the number of patients requiring

non-urgent transfer, current transportation rationale, as well as each patient's diagnosis and level of acuity to determine the potential hospital needs across the region. It was identified that despite the best effort of other options for non-emergency transfer service providers such as Carefor and Sunshine Coach, there is an overall lack of available resources across the County based upon the current number of patients requiring non-emergency transportation within the County or to hospitals outside of the County.

These issues have also been discussed with the Champlain LHIN seasonal surge working group and the Rural Subcommittee of the Champlain LHIN Emergency Services Network.

The Service will be meeting with the Long-Term Care Homes on April 5, 2019 to discuss the Paramedic Services challenges with non-urgent inter-facility transfer issues.

The Services is working with hospital partners to seek alternative means for non-emergency patient transportation access in Renfrew County and opportunities identified through the evaluation of current practices and changes to the MEC by April 1, 2019.

4. Health Links Funding

The [Champlain Health Links Quarterly Update](#) includes the 2018-19 Quarter 3 performance report.

5. Ontario Valley Cycling and Active Transportation Alliance (OVCATA) Recommendations

June is Silver Chain Challenge month at the County of Renfrew. The OVCATA has requested that the following recommendations be considered to encourage Renfrew County residents to get out of their cars and walk, bike and run in the month of June.

Recommendations by the OVCATA include:

- County Councillors launch the month after their Council meeting on Thursday, May 30 with a mass bike-and-hike event on the Algonquin Trail.
- The Warden issues a Mayors' Challenge, in which Renfrew County mayors are challenged to lead mass bikes and walks on dates of their own choosing, with records of all kilometres walked, run or ridden by participants and municipalities scored (proportional to population) to see which participated most.
- Each municipality offer prizes to school homerooms that score highest in terms of kilometres walked, run or ridden by each student in the first two weeks of June.
- Each municipality organizes a Seniors Bike and Hike led by the Mayor and members of Council.
- The Silver Chain Challenge should be promoted to all seniors' groups and programs and all Renfrew County schools, as well as to the general public.

6. Municipal 511

The Ontario Good Roads Association (OGRA) has taken the lead role in providing Ontario travellers and emergency responders with communication of road closures, obstructions, restrictions, conditions, incidents and events on municipal roads. Renfrew County was the first of many Ontario counties to address this problem regionally. In a desire to reduce emergency response times the paramedic service, like paramedic services throughout Ontario, navigate roads maintained by 19 public works departments, Ministry of Transportation (MTO) and Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) within the County. The service also responds in six adjoining Ontario counties and regions and travel to hospitals in Ottawa. With technological advancements a web service known as Municipal511 and Responders511 offers users to log in to a web service and have road information presented on a provincial map. See www.Municipal511.ca.

7. A Profile of Vulnerable Seniors Report Launch – United Way Renfrew County

United Way Renfrew County launched their report entitled 'A Profile of Vulnerable Seniors in the United Counties of Prescott and Russell, Lanark County and Renfrew County', on March 1, 2019 in Pembroke. This report provides insight into the most vulnerable members of our communities.

Key messaging includes areas in which the County of Renfrew Paramedic Service is and continues to make significant contributions to the ongoing health and well being of this vulnerable community. The report can be found on the secure intranet.

"This is why the United Way invests in programs that provide seniors with the support they need to stay in their own homes longer, maintaining their independence and staying connected to their community."

"By 2031, our senior population is expected to more than double." The Service has seen an increase in call volume of 106% in the last 10 years, with the average patient 76 years of age.

"This report, and the community action that will stem from it, are important because they will help us better illustrate where the needs are greatest in our communities and what services may be most critical. If pressed: Will the vulnerability index dictate who you fund? A vulnerability index would help us target our investments but would not necessarily dictate them." The Service would use a vulnerability index to ensure existing resources target programs and services towards the most vulnerable seniors to provide access to care and reduce isolation.

"The report makes recommendations on how the community can come together to strengthen our support systems.....it's to tackle issues such as hallway medicine where

seniors are left on gurneys in the hallways because there are no available rooms.” The County of Renfrew Paramedic Service Community Paramedic Program is working to address many of these issues, by seeing seniors in their homes, reducing visits to Emergency Departments and on gurneys in hallways. By making referrals to CCAC, promoting Ontario 211, assisting with independence and the ability to remain at home.

“The recommendations we set forth in this report are a call to strengthen collaboration in our efforts to support seniors in Renfrew County.” Renfrew County is a rural community and as such seniors are negatively impacted through inability to get to appointments, have social interaction, or any other issues that would lessen the impact of social isolation. Transportation issues in rural communities are a contributing factor to the necessity of seniors entering health care facilities and long-term care. There is no other means available to access appointments, proper medication and necessary care. The lack of a public transportation network can increase demands on non-emergency and emergency calls for Paramedic Service as a result of difficulty accessing health and social services.

8. The People’s Health Care Act

On February 26, 2019 Ms. Christine Elliott, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care announced the government’s health system transformation plan which was followed by the introduction of draft legislation. While there are no surprises from what was leaked a few weeks back, this bill, if passed will mean massive change and hopefully improvements for the system. Highlights of the announcement include:

Organizing health care providers to work as one coordinated team, focused on patients and specific local needs. Patients would experience easy transitions from one health provider to another (for example, between hospitals and home care providers, with one patient story, one patient record and one care plan).

- Providing patients, families and caregivers help in navigating the public health care system, 24/7.
- Integrating multiple provincial agencies and specialized provincial programs into a single agency to provide a central point of accountability and oversight for the health care system. This would improve clinical guidance and support for providers and enable better quality care for patients.
- Improving access to secure digital tools, including online health records and virtual care options for patients

Ontario Health (“Super Agency”)

The government has introduced legislation that, if passed, will consolidate multiple health care agencies and organizations within a single agency – Ontario Health. Ontario Health will oversee healthcare delivery and improve clinical guidance and provide support for providers to enable better quality care for patients.

Establishing a single accountable Ontario Health agency is said to enable:

- Expansion of the current exceptional clinical guidance and quality improvement practices in existing agencies into other critical areas of the health care sector.
- Application of current best-in-class models to parts of the health sector historically left behind (such as mental health supports).
- Consistent oversight of high-quality health care delivery across Ontario, including a more efficient approach to coordinating health care services for patients, improving the patient experience and enabling innovation.
- Advancement of digital first approaches to healthcare, such as virtual care, and improving the integration and efficiency of digital health assets across the entire health system, which would support more evidence-based advice on delivering health services and clinical care.
- Clear accountability for monitoring and evaluating the quality of healthcare services, and providing clinical leadership, consistent clinical guidance, knowledge sharing and support for health care providers.
- More efficient use of public health care dollars by eliminating duplicative back office infrastructure and administration.

If the legislation is passed, the consolidation of agencies and provincial services and programs into the Ontario Health agency would be implemented over several years. The organizations which would be slated for transition include:

- Cancer Care Ontario
- Health Quality Ontario
- eHealth Ontario
- Trillium Gift of Life Network
- Health Shared Services Ontario
- HealthForce Ontario Marketing and Recruitment Agency
- Local Health Integration Networks (LHINs)

The 14 local health integration networks and their functions would be reorganized. This transition would roll out in phases to ensure the continuity of patient care.

Ontario Health Teams (“MyCare Groups”)

It was also revealed that, under Ontario Health, five regional entities or agencies will be established across the province to provide more local oversight of health service delivery. As well, it has been proposed that the six current French Language Health Planning Entities under LHINs will continue in their current function and will work with local Health Teams and with greater coordination through the new system structure.

Ontario Health Teams will be responsible for delivering all patient care, understanding their healthcare history and needs, and directly connecting them to the different types of care they require. These teams would support continuous access to care and smooth transitions as patients move between one provider to another and receive care in different locations or healthcare settings. The government’s objective is for Ontario

Health Teams to, over time, provide seamless access to various types of health services, which could include:

- Primary care
- Hospitals
- Home and community care
- Palliative care
- Residential long-term care
- Mental health and addictions

Ontario Health Teams will be funded and held accountable for improving patient experience and people's health.

As Ontario Health Teams are established, people will continue to be able to choose who provides their care and will have more care choices available through technology. With safeguards in place to protect personal health information, patients will also have an option to securely access digital health services, such as having access to their electronic health records and virtual care options for patients.

Care providers will also benefit from the expansion of digital tools, enabling them to more quickly and comprehensively access the information they need, such as specialist advice and clinical supports. Ontario Health Teams will be established in phases across the province. More information on how providers can become an Ontario Health Team will be made available in early March. The Minister stated that these system changes will not alter how patients access their physician and those current entities, such as Family Health Teams will continue to look and operate as they always have under the newly structured system. The Minister also stated that there is no intent for government to increase for-profit care provisions in Ontario's health system. It is expected that by maturity, 30-50 local Ontario Health Teams will be operational, each serving an approximate geography of 300,000 patients.

The government also hopes to improve patient care and spend healthcare dollars more efficiently by establishing a single province-wide supply chain management model for the entire healthcare sector. Providers and patients will also be engaged on the procurement of medical products and services to help ensure the ones being used are delivering the best patient outcomes.

The Government committed to ongoing discussions and consultations with patients and families. As part of this commitment they have turned the Minister's Patient and Family Advisory Council into a permanent advisory body. The Council will provide ongoing advice on key healthcare priorities that have an impact on patient care and experience to drive meaningful changes to provincial healthcare planning, programs and policies. More information is available at these links [press release](#), [backgrounder](#) and the [Minister's speaking notes](#).

Advantage Ontario, which represents not-for-profit long-term care homes (LTCHs), is seeking clarification from the government on the unlikely option for LTCHs to be excluded from Ontario Health Teams.

Also on March 8, 2019, Minister Elliott announced the early slate of the Ontario Health Board of Directors. Members are comprised mainly of individuals with a background in business and/or the hospital sector. None appear to have experience overseeing long-term care or community services, however one member, Garry Foster, is Chair of the Board of the Baycrest Foundation.

The government's release notes that the members will also be appointed to the boards for each of the Local Health Integration Networks (LHINs), as well as the following provincial health service agencies: Cancer Care Ontario, eHealth Ontario, HealthForceOntario, Health Shared Services Ontario, Health Quality Ontario and Trillium Gift of Life Network.

Links to the [release](#), [backgrounder](#) on the new Board of Directors, and the government's overview of the [Ontario Health](#) agency online are provided for Committee's information.

With respect to engagement, the Premier's Council will be doing consultations shortly.

9. Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care Compliance Inspection at Miramichi Lodge

From December 11, 2018 to January 4, 2019, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) compliance inspector Ms. Susan Lui conducted follow-up investigation concerning two matters at Miramichi Lodge. The first inspection related to an anonymous complaint of alleged abuse for which there were no findings of non-compliance. The second inspection was in follow-up to an incident of alleged staff to resident abuse. An investigation conducted by the Home concluded that the allegation of abuse was substantiated. The Employer reported the incident to the applicable authorities as required and the staff member is no longer employed with the County of Renfrew. A finding of non-compliance in the form of a written notice and voluntary plan of correction were issued for delay in reporting to the MOHLTC as witnesses failed to report the allegation immediately to management. Appropriate corrective action was taken with staff responsible for the delayed reporting.

10. 2018-19 One-Time Funding Bonnechere Manor Senior/Adult Day Program

The Champlain Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) advised Bonnechere Manor Senior/Adult Day Program of the 2018-19 one-time funding of \$8,300 that is to be utilized by March 31, 2019. The Day Program purchased replacement dishwashers for each program site in Renfrew and Cobden; and as well, programming tables, office chair, desk top computer and supplies for cooking and craft programs were purchased. It is noted that Day Programs have not received an operational funding increase in over five years.

11. 2018 Capital Projects Delayed – Miramichi Lodge Parking Lot Fixtures and Storage Shed

In 2018, Miramichi Lodge experienced delays with two capital projects. Neither of these projects were included in the 2019 Capital Budget.

a) Storage Shed

\$30,000 was approved through the 2018 capital budget approval process by Committee and Council. Following the award of the contract in September 2018, the supervisor was unexpectedly off work and unaware that the work had not started due to an internal delay with the deposit cheque required by the contractor. The pad was poured in November 2018 but the contractor was unable to proceed with laying cement blocks related to inclement weather. As a result, \$9,858.74 of the \$30,000 project was completed in 2018 and paid out of 2018 budget with \$13,795.74 outstanding in 2019 to be completed and paid out of the capital reserve.

b) LED Parking Lot Lighting

\$100,000 was approved through the 2018 budget process. \$9,865.86 was paid in 2018 to satisfy the requirement for the required 10% deposit. The adapters for the light stands have been onsite since November 2018 with the expectation to commence installation; however, the supplier detected a flaw in their die cast light fixture that delayed installation prior to the end of 2018. Fixtures are onsite now. There is \$88,805.74 outstanding to complete this project paid out of the capital reserve.

12. Behavioural Supports Ontario (BSO) Initiative – Bonnechere Manor

The Behavioural Supports Ontario (BSO) initiative was created to enhance health care services for older adults in Ontario with complex and [responsive behaviours](#) associated with dementia, mental health, substance use and/or other neurological conditions. The initiative also provides enhanced family caregiver support in the community, in long-term care or wherever the patient and/or caregiver(s) reside. In 2010, the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) announced \$40 Million of funding toward the development of an evidence and experience-based framework to enhance the availability of supports and services to persons living with responsive behaviours.

Bonnechere Manor was approached by the Champlain Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) regarding the development of a ten (10) year Dementia Capacity Plan for the region, working extensively with the Champlain Dementia Network to ensure the plan is thorough and accurate. While the goal of the plan is keeping people with dementia at home, there is a component related to the current state of Long-Term Care (LTC), specifically around the management of dementia and responsive behaviors. Bonnechere Manor was identified as a leader in our region and Ms. Shelley Yantha, Director of Care and our BSO champion, Ms. Chantel McDonald, Registered Practical Nurse (RPN) were requested to provide feedback into the LHIN's plan.

13. Arbitration Concerns in Long-Term Care

An [article](#) showing the disconnect between the Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007 and the arbitration process in the long-term care sector. Long-term care homes (LTCs) may be arbitratable to rehire staff that were terminated for just cause. As LTCs are held accountable to the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care to prevent all abuse and neglect of residents, it is troubling that the arbitration process allows for staff whose actions resulted in abuse or neglect of residents to be reinstated. This represents a gap between a homes' accountabilities to the Ministry and human rights legislation that aims to accommodate staff.

Further, a recent article is tabled from Mathews Dinsdale, a labour and employment law firm, echoes our concerns and explains that this type of reinstatement "constitutes undue hardship to the employer" and perpetuates further resident abuse. Advantage Ontario, our provincial association, has brought this imbalance between residents' rights and staff rights forward to the Commissioner of the Long-Term Care Homes Public Inquiry and recommended the need for a special, knowledgeable tribunal for long-term care that can properly access grievance and arbitration issues and places resident safety as top priority.

14. Violence in Long-Term Care Homes

The Ontario Health Coalition (OHC) released a report entitled "[Situation Critical](#)" regarding the escalating violence in long-term care (LTC) homes; in particular the number of homicides – 29 over the past six years as reported by the Ontario Coroner. The report looks at a range of issues including understaffing, underfunding, increasing acuity, rising levels of dementia, hospital offloading, growing wait times for long-term care, for profit privatization and the impact on care, among others.

15. Bonnechere Manor Enteric Outbreak

Bonnechere Manor Pinnacle resident home area was declared in an enteric outbreak by the Renfrew County and District Health Unit (RCDHU) on February 18, 2019. Appropriate precautions have been put into place and the outbreak was declared over March 1, 2019.

16. Miramichi Lodge Respiratory Outbreak

Miramichi Lodge resident home area 2B was declared to be in Influenza A outbreak by the Renfrew County and District Health Unit on March 4, 2019 and as of March 8, 2019, includes resident home area 3B. Appropriate precautions have been put into place and Council will be kept apprised of the outbreak status.

17. Miramichi Lodge Dementia Care Unit Resident Doors

Miramichi Lodge's Resident Home Area 1A has launched a new initiative to enhance the dementia care unit with the goal of helping residents with dementia feel more at home. Research has found that the monotony of same coloured doors and walls leads to way-finding difficulties for people with dementia; lack of clear reference points can be frustrating for residents who already feel somewhat lost. The goal of this environmental enhancement is that residents will be less likely to walk into a wrong room and hence have a greater sense of privacy and safety. In addition, the hallways on 1A have a warmer, more home-like feeling and these doors are a great conversation starter. Thank you to the Miramichi Lodge Foundation for their support with this project.



Pictured from left to right are Foundation Chair Mrs. Sandra Sell, Fundraising Coordinator Ms. Claire Ullrich and Foundation Board Directors Mrs. Barb McGonegal and Mrs. Mary Arseneau with a sample of two of the door decals. Each of the door decals is unique and there are a variety of tasteful colours and styles on the unit.

18. Expressions of Gratitude - Miramichi Lodge

Mrs. Dolores Verch, wife of the late resident Mr. Willard Verch, recently presented staff on 1A resident home area with a commemoration as an expression of the family's gratitude for the wonderful care her husband received while a resident at Miramichi Lodge.



Pictured from left to right are staff members Lorrie Reiche, Kelsey Popkie, Lori Hemington, Sheri Trebinskie, Shelley Klentz, Tabitha Hamon, Lori Levean, Mrs. Verch, Paula Maynard and Dawn Molson.

19. Fundraising

- a) On February 28, 2018 the Flying Fathers played the Pembroke Minor Hockey Association Coaches at the Pembroke Memorial Centre (PMC) with the proceeds of \$9,000 being shared between the Miramichi Lodge Foundation and Marianhill. The Pembroke Observer Newspaper article is available at the following link:
<https://www.pembrokeobserver.com/sports/local-sports/flying-fathers-return-to-pembroke-for-long-term-care-fundraiser>
- b) On February 28, 2019 the Bonnechere Manor Foundation hosted a Trivia Night in the Renfrew Rotary Hall at Bonnechere Manor. This event raised \$1,500.
- c) Save the Date for the next Bonnechere Manor Foundation 'Move for the Manor' running/bicycling event - Saturday, June 1, 2019.
- d) Save the Date for the next Miramichi Lodge Foundation Gala that will be held in the community center at Miramichi Lodge on Saturday, May 25, 2019. This year's theme is "Swingin' Sixties" in celebration of the year Miramichi Lodge opened – 1969.

For more information on these events please contact Ms. Claire Ullrich, Fundraising Coordinator at cullrich@countyofrenfrew.on.ca, or 1-343-369-4259.

RESOLUTIONS

20. Vehicle Disposal – St. Lawrence College

RESOLUTION NO. H-CC-19-03-19

Moved by Chair

Seconded by Committee

THAT County Council approve that two surplus ambulance vehicles be sold to St. Lawrence College to be used to enhance the Driver Training section of their Paramedic Program for \$5,000 for each vehicle plus applicable taxes.

Background

As participating members of the St. Lawrence College Paramedic Program Advisory Committee, the Service had previously recommended the enhancement of their Paramedic driver training. To this end, the College has forwarded a request to purchase two surplus ambulance vehicles from the Service, to be used as real-world platforms for their Driver Training Program. Policy GA-02, 4.5, (c) Disposal of Corporate Assets: Should the surplus assets remain unsold after the offering to the municipalities, the County can offer the surplus assets for sale to non-profit agencies located within the County.

The Service is requesting that two surplus ambulance vehicles be sold to St. Lawrence for the enhancement of their Paramedic Driver Training Program.

21. County of Renfrew Long-Term Care Homes Quality Improvement Plans

RESOLUTION NO. H-CC-19-03-21

Moved by Chair

Seconded by Committee

THAT County Council authorize the Warden, Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk and the Director of Long-Term Care to sign and submit the Quality Improvement Plans (QIPs) for Bonnechere Manor and Miramichi Lodge and submit to Health Quality Ontario before the March 31, 2019 deadline.

Background

With a vision for system-wide quality improvement, the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) requires all health care sectors to submit an annual Quality Improvement Plan (QIP). A QIP is a formal, documented set of commitments that a health care organization makes to its residents, staff and community to improve quality through focused targets and actions. QIPs are used in many sectors to assist organizations in delivering quality programs and services. The MOHLTC defines the priority indicators and populates the data for falls, pressure ulcers and restraint use from the Home's submission of data through Resident Assessment Instrument – Minimum Data Set (RAI-MDS). While there are many provincially prioritized indicators, homes must realistically consider current challenges, other priorities and resources available before identifying formal commitments through the QIP. It is acceptable for a home to not commit to a provincially prioritized indicator. Ms. Shelley Yantha, Director of Care, Bonnechere Manor and Mr. Mike Blackmore, Administrator, Miramichi Lodge overviewed the draft Quality Improvement Plans (QIPs) for 2019/20 at the Health Committee meeting and the Quality Improvement Plans for Bonnechere Manor and Miramichi Lodge are tabled for Council.

BY-LAWS

22. Long-Term Care Service Accountability Agreements and Schedule E – Form of Compliance Declarations

RESOLUTION NO. H-CC-19-03-22

Moved by Chair

Seconded by Committee

THAT County Council repeal By-law 34-16, By-law 31-17, and By-law 38-18 and adopt a By-law authorizing the Warden and the Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk to sign the Long-Term Care Service Accountability Agreements (LSAAs) for a three year term from April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2022 between the Champlain Local Health Integration Network and each Home - Bonnechere Manor and Miramichi Lodge. AND FURTHER THAT Schedule E – Form of Compliance Declaration for the applicable period from January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018 for each Home - Bonnechere Manor and Miramichi Lodge by signed.

Background

Long-term care (LTC) homes are required to enter into a Service Accountability Agreement (L-SAA) with the Local Health Integration Network (LHIN). The current L-SAA Agreement expires March 31, 2019.

On February 26, 2019, the Champlain Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) provided notice that the Long-Term Care Service Accountability Agreements (LSAAs) between the LHIN and both Bonnechere Manor and Miramichi Lodge for a three year term from April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2022 be signed and returned by the deadline of March 31, 2019, and the Schedule E-Form of Compliance Declaration for the applicable period from January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018 for each Home - Bonnechere Manor and Miramichi Lodge by signed.

23. Multi-Sector Service Accountability Agreement (M-SAA)- Bonnechere Manor

RESOLUTION NO. H-CC-19-03-23

Moved by Chair

Seconded by Committee

THAT County Council repeal By-law 35-18 and adopt a By-law authorizing the Warden and the Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk to sign the Multi-Sector Service Accountability Agreement (M-SAA) for three year term from April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2022 (Senior Adult Day Program) between the Champlain Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) and Bonnechere Manor for the continuation of 100% funding.

Background

Bonnechere Manor has been operating a Senior/Adult Day Program in Renfrew since February 1997 and in Cobden since May 2001. Both programs are available to residents in and around the communities, Monday to Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Access into the day programs is through the Champlain Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) Home and Community Care.

For the continuation of 100% funding for the Bonnechere Manor Senior/Adult Day Program, the Champlain LHIN notified Bonnechere Manor by email on March 8, 2019 requesting the signed Multi-Sector Service Accountability Agreement (M-SAA) Amending Agreement for a three-year period; April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2022 be returned by the March 31, 2019 deadline.

24. Health Links – Service Level Agreements

RESOLUTION NO. H-CC-19-03-23

Moved by Chair

Seconded by Committee

THAT the Warden and Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk be authorized to sign the Service Level Agreements (attached) between the Pembroke Regional Hospital, lead organization for the Western Champlain Health Link and the County of Renfrew for the provision of Community Paramedic care coordination in the Arnprior and Barry's Bay areas AND FURTHER THAT a By-Law be adopted at this session of County Council.

Background

Health Link is an innovative service delivery model focused on the five per cent of patients with the highest needs, often with multiple, complex conditions, and who accounts for two-thirds of Ontario's health care spending. Through better collaboration with providers of care, patients gain access to the services they need through individual care plans and coordinated support from a care team that could include doctors, nurses, specialists, hospitals, home care, long-term care and community agencies. The goals of Health Links are to improve the health care experience for those with complex needs, reduce unnecessary visits to hospital emergency departments and decrease overall health care costs.

The lead organization for the Western Champlain Health Link is Pembroke Regional Hospital (Lead: Sabine Mersmann, Vice President, Patient Services, Seniors and Community Care). The Health Link target population will be patients with four or more chronic conditions (i.e. COPD, CHF, Dementia, Mental Health and Addiction) and other vulnerable factors:

- Social determinants of health deficiencies (i.e. housing, food, safety, finance, health literacy)
- Lack of support (i.e. live alone, limited caregiver support)
- Barriers to accessing care/services (i.e. language, culture, mobility)
- Cognitive impairment.

These Service Level Agreements are a formal record of the commitments for the Health Link Lead Agency (HLLA), representing Western Champlain Health Link. This partnership with Health Links is for the provision of Community Paramedic care coordination in the Arnprior and Barry's Bay areas and is based upon the patient selection criteria determined by Health Links.

- Base funding of \$30,000 in quarterly installments to support the continuation of the care coordination process in Barry's Bay and \$10,000 for the integration of Community Paramedics into the Family Health Team in Barry's Bay for a total of \$40,000.
- Base funding of \$40,000 through the Arnprior Family Health Team to support paramedic care coordination in the Arnprior area.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

M. Donohue, Chair

And Committee Members: D. Bennett, J. Brose, D. Grills, D. Lynch, J. Murphy and J. Visneskie Moore

The Report was adopted as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Robinson

Moved by: Councillor Brose

THAT the following By-laws be enacted and passed:

- (a) By-law 19-19 – A By-Law Authorizing the Warden and Clerk to Execute a Long-Term Care Service Accountability Agreement including the Compliance Declaration with the Champlain Local Health Integration Network.
- (b) By-law 20-19 – A By-Law Authorizing the Warden and Clerk to Execute a Multi-Sector Service Accountability Agreement with the Champlain Local Health Integration Network for the Senior/Adult Day Programs
- (c) By-law 21-19 – A By-Law to Amend By-Law 50-17 - to Authorize the County of Renfrew to Enter into an Agreement with Licensed Home Child Care Service Providers.
- (d) By-law 22-19 - A By-law to Amend By-law 108-17, being a by-law to authorize the Warden and Clerk to execute the Ontario Transfer Payment Agreement with the Ministry of Education for the 2018-2019 Ontario Early Years Child and Family Centre Agreement.
- (e) By-law 23-19 - A By-Law Authorizing the Warden and Clerk to Execute a Service Level Agreement Between the Pembroke Regional Hospital, the Arnprior & District Family Health Team and the County of Renfrew in Partnership With Health Links and the County of Renfrew to Continue Paramedic Care Coordination in the Arnprior and Barry's Bay Areas.

CARRIED.

Moved by: Councillor Bennett

Seconded by: Councillor Doncaster

THAT Section 51.b of the Procedural By-law be waived to deal with the following resolution.

CARRIED.

Moved by: Councillor Emon

Seconded by: Councillor Doncaster

That Councillor Visneskie Moore be granted a leave of absence pursuant to Section 259(1)(c) of the Municipal Act, 2001 and Section of 73(d) of BY-LAW NUMBER 85-10 (County of Renfrew Procedural By-Law) until June 26th or until such time as she is able to resume her duties as a County Councillor whichever is the sooner.

CARRIED.

Background

In an email dated March 26, 2019 to the CAO/Clerk, Councillor Visneskie Moore requested that she be granted leave from her duties as a County Councillor until such time as she is able to attend meetings of Council and Committee.

Section 259(1)(c) of the Municipal Act, 2001 states:

The office of a member of council of a municipality becomes vacant if the member,
“(c) is absent from the meetings of council for three successive months without being authorized to do so by a resolution of council;” 259. (1)

Section of 73(d) of BY-LAW NUMBER 85-10 (County of Renfrew Procedural By-Law) states:

“(d) Should any Member of a Committee fail to attend three successive regular or special meetings without being authorized to do so by a resolution of the Committee, the Committee may certify such failure and the membership of such person on the Committee is terminated. Council may appoint another Member in his/her place. Receipt of a written notice of regret by the Committee or Council will constitute authorization for the purposes of this subsection.”

CARRIED.

Councillor Doncaster reported on the FCM meetings held in March 2019.

Councillor Emon recommended that Council agree to send a letter to the Premier requesting that a task force be set up regarding e-learning and requested that the EOWC, ROMA and AMO be advised. Council directed that this issue be brought forward to a committee for consideration.

Moved by: Councillor Keller

Seconded by: Councillor Grills

THAT By-law 24-19, being a By-law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Council of the County of Renfrew at the meeting held on March 27, 2019 be now numbered, deemed read three times and passed.

CARRIED.

Moved by: Councillor Reinwald

Seconded by: Councillor Peckett

THAT County Council adjourn. Time – 3:56 p.m.

CARRIED.