

EASTERN ONTARIO REGIONAL NETWORK UPDATE

At the April session of County Council Mr. Jim Pine appeared as a delegation to council and presented an update on the Eastern Ontario Regional Network. Mr. Pine is the Co-lead with EORN concerning the cellular initiative; he expressed his thanks to the County of Renfrew for their continued support of EORN with their broadcast network projects.

Mr. Pine shared this about the upcoming process, *“In terms of the cell project itself, we will have to sign a contribution agreement with the province and the federal government...when we get that in place we’ll be pushing forward to build this project out in the winter of next year.”*

Mr. Pine described in detail the current plan for closing the cellular gap in Eastern Ontario and in particular he delivered a cost estimate in the range of \$895 000 to \$1,000,000 dollars as the County of Renfrew’s portion of the project that when combined with contributions from other Eastern Ontario municipalities, the province, industry partners, and the Federal Government will result in approximately \$213 million.

Earlier this week the Eastern Ontario Wardens’ Caucus and Eastern Ontario Regional Network (EORN) welcomed the Ontario Government’s commitment of \$71 million to improve cell service across the region. Ontario Rural Affairs Minister Jeff Leal announced the funding formally at an event in Belleville. EORN has proposed a \$213 million public-private partnership to improve both the reach and quality of cellular data services in the region. The federal government and the private sector are also being asked to support the project. The project is expected to create 3,000 full-time equivalent jobs over 10 years and spur \$420 million in new business revenue.

COUNCIL INITIATIVES

County Council Adopted By-Law 37-18 - A By-law to Enter Into a Road Access Agreement With Carolyn June Smoke (County Road 62-Combermere Road).

County Council Adopted By-Law 38-18 - A By-law to Dedicate Land as Part of the County of Renfrew Public Road System.

County Council Adopted By-Law 39-18 - A By-law to Alter Highways (County Roads 1, 51 & 65) and Structures (No. B018, B110, B258, C124, C141, C217, C238, C300 & C314) In the County of Renfrew.

County Council Adopted By-Law 40-18 - A By-law For the Execution of Contract No. PWO-2018-03 For the Supply & Delivery of Wheeled Excavator and Attachments.

County Council Adopted By-Law 41-18 - A By-law For the Execution of Contract No. PWO-2018-04 For the Supply & Delivery of One Tandem Truck and Plow Unit.

County Council Adopted By-Law 42-18 - A By-law For the Execution of Contract No. PWO-2018-09 Asphalt Scratch Coat and Shoulder Graveling.

County Council Adopted By-Law 43-18 - A By-law For the Execution of Contract No. PWC-2018-01 Rehabilitation of County Road 1 (River Road).

County Council Adopted By-Law 44-18 - A By-law For the Execution of Contract No. PWC-2018-04 Rehabilitation of County Road 64 (Opeongo Road) and County Road 515 (Quadeville Road).

County Council Adopted By-Law 45-18 - A By-law For the Execution of Contract No. PWC-2018-07 Rehabilitation of County Road 67 (Simpson Pit Road).

County Council Adopted By-Law 46-18 - A By-law For the Execution of Contract No. PWC-2018-16 Hot Mix Paving County Road 512 (Foymount Road).

County Council Adopted By-Law 47-18 - A By-law to Enter Into an Agreement with Latitude Geographic Group Ltd. To Maintain the County of Renfrew Geographical Information System (GIS) Web Application.

County Council Adopted By-Law 48-18 - A By-law to Amend By-law 20-10 to Extend the Lease Agreement with a Second Lease Amendment with Pembroke Travel Bureau Limited for Renfrew County Housing Corporation Offices at 169 Lake Street, Pembroke, Ontario.

County Council Adopted By-Law 49-18 - A By-law to Adopt Amendment No. 25 to the Official Plan of the County of Renfrew.

County Council Adopted By-Law 50-18 - A By-law to Amend By-law 49-17-To Establish Policies and Procedures for the Licensed Home Child Care Services for the County of Renfrew.

County Council Adopted By-Law 51-18 - A By-law to Set Tax Ratios for County Purposes and Lower-tier Purposes for the Year 2018.

County Council Adopted By-Law 52-18 - A By-law to Adopt Optional Tools for the Purposes of Administering Limits for the Commercial, Industrial and Multi-Residential Property Classes for the Year 2018.

County Council Adopted By-Law 53-18 - A By-law to Set Tax Rate Reductions for Prescribed Property Subclasses for County Purposes and Lower-tier Purposes for the Year 2018.

County Council Adopted By-Law 54-18 - A By-law to Establish the 2018 Tax Rates for County Purposes.

County Council Adopted By-Law 55-18 - Employment By-law #1 for County Officers and Staff.

County Council Adopted By-Law 56-18 - A By-law to Amend By-law 63-03 Human Resources Corporate Policies and Procedures for the County of Renfrew.

County Council Adopted By-Law 57-18 - 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 to Work with Health Links to Develop a Coordinated Health Care Approach Through the Community Paramedicine Program.