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Township of Head, Clara, Maria

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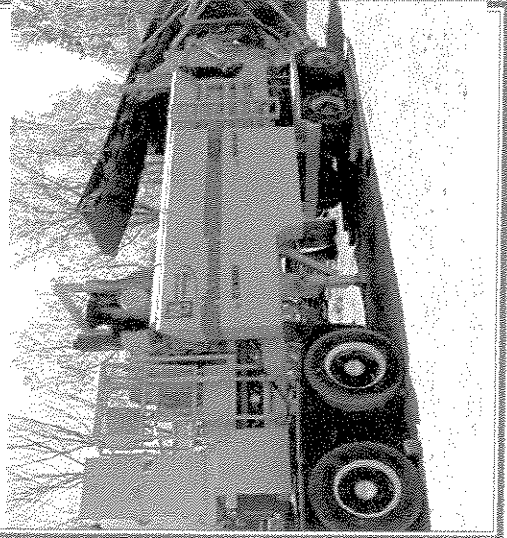
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Yours Sincerely,  
Ashley Bennett

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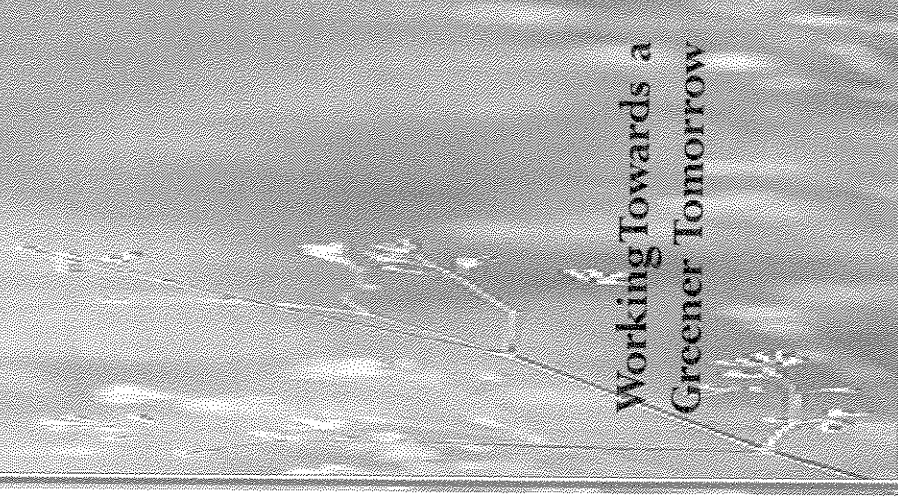
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May 25, 2011

Ms Melinda Reith, CAO  
Township of Head, Clara & Maria  
15 Township Hall Road  
Stonecliffe, ON K0J 2K0

**Re: Assignment of Economic Development Officers to Municipalities**

Dear Ms Reith:

Through the endorsement of the Development and Property Committee and County Council, the Economic Development Division has assigned its Manager (Alastair Baird) and Business Development Officer (Craig Kelley) responsibilities to specific geographic territories within the County. The ultimate objective from this initiative is that County economic development staff becomes personally familiar with their assigned municipalities, municipal staff and political figures through better communication and regular site visits and meetings with municipalities. This benefit will be in addition to our staff members serving economic development issues for the County as a whole. With the recent staffing changes within the Economic Development Division, these regions have been once again assigned geographically to better suit the needs of your community.

The Township of Head, Clara & Maria will fall into my region of coverage and I will become your County "first point of contact" on any new local economic development issues originating from your municipality that require our assistance. Depending on the issue, consultation with other County staff members may occur to capitalize on specific skills and expertise.

I would welcome your invitation to an upcoming council (or economic development committee) meeting to provide an overview of Economic Development Services and recent initiatives conducted by our staff.

I can be reached at telephone: 613.735.0091 x466, cell: 613.732.0354 and by e-mail:  
abaird@countyofrenfrew.on.ca.

Sincere regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Alastair Baird', written over a white background.

Alastair Baird  
Manager of Economic Development Services

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**Townships of Head Clara & Maria**

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**From:** "Joseph" <redi\_recycling@bell.net>  
**To:** "Pat Pilgrim" <ppilgrim@madawaskavalley.on.ca>; "Lorna Hudder" <khr@on.aibn.com>; "Noreen Mellema" <info@mcnabbraeside.com>; <roads@greatermadawaska.com>; "Melinda Reith" <twpshcm@xplornet.com>; <mmantifel.blr@xplore.net>  
**Cc:** "Bryan Martin" <bryanm@eganville.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 29, 2011 10:44 AM  
**Subject:** WEEE collection

Hello Pat, Lorna, Noreen, Jamie, Melinda and Michelle

I am writing to let you know that I have established a separate recycling company, Redi Recycling Inc., here in the Ottawa Valley. Currently, I am focusing on the collection and management of waste electronics through the Ontario Electronic Stewardship program. To that end, I am asking you to consider working with me to establish a collection depot at your communities current landfills and transfer stations or if you prefer, to run an event or two in your community (perhaps with your HHW events). I have cc'd Bryan as we have recently (literally this week) received the approvals to set up his Sand Road transfer station with a bin for WEEE. In all, to set up a site, it will take a few weeks for paperwork and coordination on my part and all you need to do is provide me permission to set it up at a site(s) of your choice and the main criteria for the site is that it should be a location with a lockable fence. I will provide the training for the site staff and support the site for pick up logistics and paper work as required when the bin(s) are full. The hauler will be Dumpy'z (Andrew Clark) which uses 10 cubic yard bins (six feet wide, 12 feet long and four feet high).

If this is of any interest to you, feel free to contact me at your convenience to discuss.

Thanks  
Joe

*Joseph Hall*

President  
Redi Recycling Inc.  
613-732-1876

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**Townships of Head Clara & Maria**

**From:** "Doug Antler" <doug.antler@antlerslodge.ca>  
**To:** "Roger Noppe" <noppedr@nrtco.net>; "Samson, Joanna (MNR)" <joanna.samson@ontario.ca>;  
 "Baker, Tania (MNR)" <tania.baker@ontario.ca>; "John Walden" <jwalden@deepriver.ca>; "Melissa  
 Johnston" <mjohnston@countyofrenfrew.on.ca>; "Townships of Head Clara & Maria"  
 <twpshcm@xplornet.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 01, 2011 9:43 AM  
**Subject:** Water Levels Again

Morning Roger... I suspect your water is up again, since we are back to dry land where we were on May 18... we are down about 22 - 24 inches of vertical water level since Sunday May 29, our boats are sitting on dry land, and our clients this morning had to put on rubber boots to shove their boats off the bottom at the docks were they parked them last night.

Someone should be here to take pictures of this (should call in the media watch-dogs)... where the bait fish spawned this past week in 18 inches of water I could take the push mower over there and cut the grass without getting my feet wet. And it's the same for the great Northern Pike which spawned in the same shallows, with the sun out today it's "fried eggs" for sure on a nice layer of mud! I sit as a volunteer on the FMZ12 Fisheries Committee for the Ottawa River, and at the table is an Ontario Power Generation (OPG) representative (and not just there for the gas money I'm sure). We're making all kinds of publicity about restoring the American Eel and the Lake Sturgeon which were shut off from spawning and migration and have almost become extinct when the dams were put in. OPG is I think even throwing some token money at this, and at the table for fish ladders that no one seems to know if they'll work. But here they (OPG) are again mishandling the river levels at a critical time of the year, and destroying fish and spawning habitat... and probably in 50 or 60 years someone will be throwing money at trying to bring back the fish in the river.

Not even sure what this drop in water levels is all about we used to have our Tuesday updates (last one May 24) from OPG and what they were going to do with the water levels and thought maybe for sure I'd see something from Marc and Jerry's computer today telling us what is going on, since last week they decided that the river would be operated in a normal manner for the rest of the summer... but NOPE nothing, just draining the river. We had some great lightning effects last night and a bit of rain, so maybe the computer thought it was going have a magnitude of rain never before seen, and decided to empty our basin, this is very symbolic of 1995 when this crew took over operation of the levels.

But Hey I did see on last nights news that the Ontario Government is going really green friendly and bringing on greening energy and getting rid of the 24% coal fired production. And on a monthly basis I receive in the mail expensive hand out about the great job OPG and Hydro One are doing for us... produced by "guess who", cause they really want to convince us they're doing a great job for the money we pay them!

Must send this update to others who may care about the river, the fish, the economic impact, etc. ... will leave Jerry, Marc and what's the other guys name (Don) off since it's obvious where they stand on river levels... and it ain't on the banks of the river.

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Cheers, Doug, Sandra & Jarett Antler



United Counties of Leeds and Grenville

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May 19, 2011

Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
AMO Watch File – Municipal Resolution Circulation

**Re: Call to amend *Municipal Elections Act***

The Council of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville is requesting support for the following Council Resolution:

**“WHEREAS** Section 43 of the *Election Finances Act* sets out the penalty for provincial candidates who have not complied with the financial reporting requirements of the *Act* and provides for a 60 day period following the announcement of non-compliance by a member to comply with the reporting requirements prior to the seat being declared vacant; and

**WHEREAS** Section 80 of the *Municipal Elections Act* sets out the penalty applicable to municipal candidates who have not complied with the financial reporting requirements; stating the candidate must forfeit office to which they were elected and the office is deemed to be vacant and the candidate is ineligible to be elected or appointed to office until after the next regular election; and

**WHEREAS** a discrepancy exists between the standards to which municipal candidates are held and the standards to which provincial candidates are held with respect to the penalty for non-compliance for election financial reporting; and

**WHEREAS** the penalty to municipal candidates amounts to eight years of ineligibility and is deemed to be far in excess of what is fair and reasonable;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville calls upon the Province of Ontario to amend the *Municipal Elections Act* to ensure that municipal candidates are held to the same standard as their provincial counterparts with respect to penalties for non-compliance with election financial reporting; and

**THAT** the Province of Ontario make allowance for candidates who have not completed financial reporting for the 2010 Municipal Election; and

**THAT** a copy of this resolution be circulated to the Premier, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, M.P.P. Steve Clark, the Rural Ontario Municipal Association and to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario for support and circulation to all Ontario municipalities. Carried.”

Contact: Steven G. Silver, Chief Administrative Officer, [Steven.Silver@ucfg.on.ca](mailto:Steven.Silver@ucfg.on.ca)  
Tel: 613-342-3840 ext. 2301 or 1-800-770-2170

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Community Schools Alliance  
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London, Ontario, N6A 2P1  
[www.communityschoolsalliance.ca](http://www.communityschoolsalliance.ca)

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Tuesday, May 03, 2011

**RE: Community Schools Alliance**

Dear Municipal Colleagues,

I am writing to provide you with an update on the activities of the Community Schools Alliance and the progress that we have made over the past year in launching a new consultation process for student accommodation reviews.

In August of 2009, we formed the Community Schools Alliance to address a growing concern among municipalities across the province with the Accommodation Review Committee (ARC) process. The ARC process was developed by the province to determine which schools in a municipality stay open, which ones get closed and where new schools will be located. As municipal leaders, we believe our community schools are critical components of our public infrastructure; our schools are as important to our communities as the municipal infrastructure for water, transportation and recreation that we build and maintain. Clearly we would not allow any of these to be shut down without meaningful public input into the decision making process. Likewise, we believe municipalities, parents and students should have a strong voice at the table where student accommodation decisions are made.

While the challenge was complex, our goal was simple. We wanted to establish a new protocol for communication between school boards and municipalities when addressing proposed changes in student accommodations. We also have been promoting greater use of our municipal facilities by schools and increased community use of our schools.

I am pleased to inform you that, thanks to the work of the Community of Schools Alliance, the County of Middlesex, the County of Elgin and the County of Oxford have each established a new letter of agreement with the Thames Valley District School Board. For your review, I have attached a copy of this letter of agreement.

While the development of these letters of agreement is a significant step, it is not the final step. The Community Schools Alliance would like to see similar communication protocols established across the province. I would encourage you to work with your colleagues and the local school boards to establish similar agreements in your community to ensure that there is transparency and accountability in your student accommodation process.

If you have any questions in regard to the work of the Community Schools Alliance or our letter of agreement please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Yours truly,

Doug Reycraft  
Chair, Community Schools Alliance



**Letter of Agreement  
Between  
The County of Middlesex  
And  
The Thames Valley District School Board**

The purpose of this Letter of Agreement (LOA) is to establish a consultation protocol between the Thames Valley District School Board (TVDSB) and communities within the constituency of Middlesex County with a goal of establishing a collaborative and effective accommodation and review process.

The parties to the LOA are establishing a new consultation process to ensure that municipalities, residents, students and parents have the opportunity to understand and comment on the factors that comprise the education accommodation decision making process prior to the establishment of a TVDSB administrative recommendation or Board decision.

The County of Middlesex agrees that it is important for each municipality in Middlesex to have an understanding of the declining enrolment, program and facility challenges facing the TVDSB. Likewise, the TVDSB understands that community issues, goals and initiatives need to be considered into the decision making process.

To accomplish these goals, the parties have agreed to public annual meetings to discuss the educational accommodation challenges in Middlesex County.

The TVDSB agrees to:

- Provide a suitable venue for the annual meetings
- Establish a date and time for the meetings
- Invite representatives from the TVDSB to attend the meetings
- Present a report at each annual meeting that outlines a regional approach to TVDSB challenges and options for consideration.




Middlesex County agrees to:

- Establish an invitee list for the annual meetings
- Provide meeting notification to invitees
- Provide written comments to TVDSB following the conclusion of the meeting. Such comments will be for the purpose of consideration in the development of TVDSB administrative recommendations and Board decisions.

The term of this LOA shall be for a period of four years from the effective date of signing and may be extended upon written mutual agreement of the County of Middlesex and the Thames Valley District School Board. The LOA shall be reviewed annually by the CAO for the County of Middlesex and the Director of Education for the TVDSB.

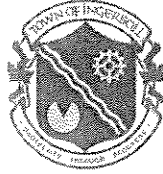
Signed on September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010

  
Joanne Vanderheyden  
Warden, Middlesex County

  
Terry Roberts  
Chair, TVDSB

# TOWN OF INGERSOLL

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April 21, 2011

To All Ontario Municipalities:

RE: Resolution on Elimination of Municipal Health Care Professionals Recruitment Incentives

Council for the Town of Ingersoll, at their meeting on April 11, 2011, after a recorded vote was requested, passed the following resolution unanimously in support:

**WHEREAS** the number of health care professionals including physicians are declining in relation to the population of the Province of Ontario; and,

**WHEREAS** it is evident to the Town of Ingersoll that municipalities are feeling pressure to provide incentives to attract and obtain health care professionals to meet their residents' health care needs; and,

**WHEREAS** the Town realizes there are inconsistencies in the types and amounts of incentives being offered by municipalities across the Province; and,

**WHEREAS** the affordability by municipalities to offer incentives is inequitable potentially jeopardizing the health care of residents geographically; and,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council for the Town of Ingersoll sees it fit to eliminate incentives given by municipalities as part of health care recruitment as it is seen as a Provincial responsibility;

**AND FURTHER THAT** municipalities request the Province to develop and implement a plan to attract health care professionals including physicians in a fair and equitable manner without cost to municipalities;

**AND FURTHER THAT** the Council for the Town of Ingersoll respectfully requests that all municipalities in the Province of Ontario consider supporting the resolution from the Town of Ingersoll;

**AND FURTHER THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Leona Aglukkaq, Federal Minister of Health; Premier Dalton

# TOWN OF INGERSOLL

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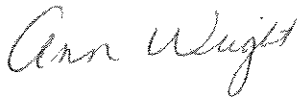
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McGuinty; Ontario Minister of Health Deb Matthews; Christine Elliott; Ontario PC Health Critic; and, France Gelinus, Ontario NDP Health Critic;

**AND FURTHER THAT** this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario.

The Town of Ingersoll is requesting support from all municipalities in Ontario to have cash incentives for the recruitment of health care professionals including doctors eliminated at the municipal level, and to shift the responsibility back to the province to create a plan to attract such professionals to all communities in a fair and equitable manner. Please have your Council consider supporting a similar resolution and forward your support.

Sincerely,



Ann Wright  
Deputy Clerk/ Executive Assistant

- c Premier Dalton McGuinty
- Leona Aglukkaq, Federal Minister of Health
- Deb Matthews; Ontario Minister of Health
- Christine Elliott; Ontario PC Health Critic
- France Gelinus, Ontario NDP Health Critic



# Family and Children's Services

County of Renfrew

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**Mission Statement: Helping Families and Communities Protect Children**

## YOUR AGENCY

Family and Children's Services is the major child welfare agency in the County of Renfrew and provides Assessment and Investigation Services, Child Protection, Adoption and Foster Care services across the County. F.C.S. also delivers Early Years Services, Kumon Tutorial Services, Developmental Services, Infant Development, Behaviour Management, Service Coordination and Supervised Access Services.

An informed public symbolizes an agency that is accountable and effective. By your membership in this agency, you express your concern for children and your wish to influence the way services are delivered to children and families in this county.

## OUR MEMBERSHIP

Membership entitles you to vote at the Annual General Meeting, gives you an updated list of board members, a copy of the Ontario Association of Children's Aid Societies Journal (quarterly), the Winning Kids newsletter and other relevant agency publications.

**A one year membership is only \$10.00.** To become a member, please forward your cheque made payable to: Family and Children's Services, along with the attached form by May 31, 2011 to:

Debbie Gervais, Executive Assistant  
Family and Children's Services  
77 Mary Street  
Pembroke, Ontario  
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## Family and Children's Services Membership Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

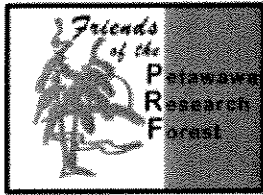
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I am interested in learning more about becoming:

A Foster Parent: \_\_\_\_\_ A Volunteer Driver: \_\_\_\_\_

*Your continued support is appreciated*



## FRIENDS OF THE PETAWAWA RESEARCH FOREST INC.

NEWSLETTER #16  
(April 2011)

This is our first newsletter of 2011 (#16 in the series), intended to bring you up-to-date on recent developments in our organization and the Petawawa Research Forest. Please refer to our website [www.friendsofprf.ca](http://www.friendsofprf.ca) for previous newsletters, more detailed organizational information and a variety of useful links.

**\*\*Please take note that your 2011 charitable membership donations are essential in order to carry out the plans we have for this year. Membership in the FPRF is free, but with the number of corporate donations made to our organization decreasing in the past three years, we really need your donations now to stay afloat. See page 3 of this newsletter for detachable membership and donation form.\*\***

**Board of Directors:** The 2011 Board of Directors (BOD) was elected by acclamation at the Annual General Meeting (#9) on Tuesday, November 16, 2010 at the Deep River Library.

Three student/youth representatives from the Forestry Technician Program of Algonquin College were introduced by Frank Knappen.

The 2011 Board of Directors is as follows:

Chairman	Earl Berry	(613) 584-7773
Vice President	Frank Knaapen	(613) 735-4700 Local 2741
Treasurer & Membership	Susan Yatabe	(613) 584-3311 Local 43435
Secretary	Kathleen Burgess	(613) 687-2214
Board Member	Charles Van Wagner	(613) 584-4846
Board Member	Robin Cunningham	(613) 732-8402
Board Member	C.W. (Kit) Yeatman	(613) 584-1416
Board Member	Tom Moore	(613) 584-9354
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Board Member	Kristin Bickell	bick0041@algonquinlive.com
Board Member	Nicole Bergevin	berg0216@algonquinlive.com

**Projects:** The following are continuing or proposed projects of the Friends during 2011:

- **2011 Fund Raising Campaign:** Our fund raising campaign will continue this year with letters being sent to many public and private organizations which might be interested in the Friends' program. Our student/youth representatives have offered to investigate and apply for project grants. Any suggestions for fundraising would be appreciated, and may be emailed to us at [phoenix262@live.com](mailto:phoenix262@live.com), or written on the donation sheet on page 3 of this newsletter.
- **Expo 150:** With the assistance of the PRF and the Fibre Centre, the Friends of PRF will have an information display at Expo 150, a celebration of Renfrew County's 150th anniversary to be held at the Pembroke and Area airport from June 9-12, 2011.
- **Water Trail:** The Chalk River Water Trail boardwalk is in dire need of repair. Its upgrade is under discussion for grant applications.
- **Stone Chimney:** Charles van Wagner and Kit Yeatman will have the final proposals for a sign and plaque to be put on/near the stone chimney of the former staff house this year.
- **School Sugarbush Program:** A donation was given to Ian Miller and Michelle Stein again this year in order to purchase maple syrup for the school sugarbush program. The Friends feel strongly that this project continue and recognize its importance to local school children.

**Annual General Meeting (AGM)** – The FPRF 2010 AGM was held on Tuesday, November 16, 2010 at the Deep River Public Library. Chair, Earl Berry, read a synopsis from the last newsletter of the Friends' activities since the 2009 AGM and reviewed what had been done in 2010, including clearing of, and new maps for, the ski trails; proposed plans for the stone chimney; the installation of new Highway 17 Visitor Centre signs; the 15<sup>th</sup> annual Renfrew County Outdoor Woodlot Conference that was held at the PRF in October 2010; and the Friends' membership in the Ottawa Valley Tourist Association.

The Friends also sponsored a talk by Frank Ahern on his book, *Algonquin Park Through Time and Space: The history and ecology of Algonquin Park told with satellite imagery and computer graphics* at the Deep River library on May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Katalyn Macafee, representing the CIF, presented plaques to Kit Yeatman and Charles Van Wagner in recognition of their research and long-term commitment to the CIF. Similar plaques have been presented to Mary Morgenstern (for Kris) and Ben Wang, and duplicates of all these plaques will be hung in the Visitor Centre in the spring.

Our guest speaker for this annual meeting was Dr. Darwin Burgess who spoke on "The Potential Role of the PRF in Forest Productivity Research." He described examples of plantation research at the PRF, and research in natural forests, as well as presenting examples from other research forests and challenges for the PRF. He pointed out why we need research forests and explained some advantages of intensive plantations and different silvicultural systems in natural forests, giving examples of research from the PRF as well as from Sweden, Europe, the U.S. and Japan. He pointed out that the Northern European Database of Long Term Forest Experiments, **NOLTFOX**, between the Baltic countries and the UK, is a shared database with about 2000 references in place for future reference and research, and suggested that a similar database should include Canadian research, perhaps in collaboration with the U.S. and other countries.

Darwin finished his talk with a summary of his view of the challenges for the PRF, including hiring new research staff; connecting at local, national and global levels; involving universities, colleges and other groups; expanding the research scope to include biomass, water, wildlife, recreation and climate change studies; encouraging research at the process, stand and forest levels; and applying innovative approaches at all levels. He was thanked for his presentation by Chairperson, Earl Berry.

**Membership:** Our 2011 membership totals 163 with approximately 50 active members. We have 22 corporate members, including the towns of Deep River, Laurentian Hills, Petawawa and township of Head, Clara and Maria. We acquired 3 new corporate donors this year: Summers Logging & Tree Service Ltd, AECL and the Canadian Institute of Forestry. A donation was also made to the Friends through the United Way. Other corporate donors were the Renfrew County Stewardship Committee, Lavern Heideman and Sons, and Murray Brothers Lumber Company.

**Treasurer's Report:** As of April 26, 2011, the Friends' account at the Deep River Northern Credit Union stood at **\$2 745.33**.

In early 2010, a grant of \$1000 was made to the Friends by the Canadian Wood Fibre Centre. The money was used to purchase new signs for locations such as PNFI historical sites, the Petawawa Sunburst white spruce, fire research, and PSP 1.

**Addresses:** The Friends of the PRF Inc. may be contacted as follows:

Canada Post:	P.O. Box 2000, Chalk River, ON. K0J 1J0
Web Site:	<a href="http://www.friendsofprf.ca">www.friendsofprf.ca</a>
Email:	<a href="mailto:phoenix262@live.com">phoenix262@live.com</a>

FRIENDS OF THE PETAWAWA RESEARCH FOREST INC.

2011 Membership **Time To Renew!** 2011 Membership

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City: \_\_\_\_\_ Province: \_\_\_\_\_ P. Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Here is my tax-deductible donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Receipts will be provided for donations of \$10.00 and over) **NOTE: Membership is free, but we need your donations to continue our work.**

For more information and recent news about the Friends, please refer to the website at: [www.friendsofprf.ca](http://www.friendsofprf.ca) or contact us at [phoenix262@live.com](mailto:phoenix262@live.com) or telephone: (613) 584-7773 or (613) 732-8402

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I would like to volunteer. (Please note any specific projects of interest in the suggestion section below)

Charitable # 88812 3007 RR0001  
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**SUGGESTIONS FOR PROJECTS & FUNDRAISING**

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Mail this form to: Friends of the PRF Inc., P.O. Box 2000, Chalk River, ON. K0J 1J0



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TO: Ontario Municipalities

FROM: J. W. Tiernay, Executive Director  
Ontario Good Roads Association

DATE: May 26, 2011

RE: Minimum Maintenance Standards Litigation – Status Report

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## **Background**

Last year all heads of Council received a letter advising that a legal challenge had been filed to have the Minimum Maintenance Standards (MMS) declared null and void. The letter requested municipalities consider contributing to a Litigation Fund to fight the application. I am pleased to report that many municipalities have contributed to the fund and we are proceeding with our opposition to this application. If your municipality is still considering the request please let me know at your earliest convenience as to whether funds will be forthcoming.

This memo is intended to keep all municipalities informed as to the progress to date on this important matter.

## **Discussion**

OGRA has retained J. Murray Davison, Q.C. of the law firm, Paterson, MacDougall, LLP as our legal counsel to represent your interests. Mr. Davison is very knowledgeable in the area of Minimum Maintenance Standards having volunteered his time and expertise in the development of the initial standards and the 5 year review that was recently undertaken.

Our counsel filed an application with the courts to grant OGRA intervenor status. The opposing counsel did not object to this application and the court issued an order adding OGRA as intervenor on October 8, 2010.

A MMS Litigation steering committee made up of representatives from the Ontario Good Roads Association; the Ontario Municipal Insurance Exchange (OMEX); the Regional Municipality of York; the Province of Ontario; the Waterloo Region Municipalities Insurance Pool and Frank Cowan Company Limited met on May 25, 2011 and received an update from our legal team.

The plaintiff's Counsel has filed a motion for the production of all documents associated with the creation of the original Minimum Maintenance Standards.



Our litigation team is supporting two motions filed by the Crown. The first being to limit the scope of the hearing to the standards that were in effect at the time of the accident that precipitated this action. The second motion is to transfer the hearing from the Superior Court to the Divisional Court. In the Superior Court only one judge presides, while at Divisional Court three judges preside. Our legal team feels that this move would be advantageous to our position.

All the above referenced motions are currently scheduled to be heard on June 13, 2011. A further update will be issued subsequent to that hearing.

We previously advised that the Ontario Trial Lawyers Association was going to seek intervenor status. They have not done so to-date however we anticipate that they will do so later.

At this time there is a possibility that the application will be heard in the fall of this year, however the prevailing opinion suggests that it might not be heard until spring of 2012.

Further updates will be issued as the matter progresses.

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# The Corporation of the Town of Thessalon

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May 6, 2011

The Honourable Brad Duguid  
Minister of Energy  
900 Bay Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Hearst Block  
Toronto, Ontario  
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Dear Minister Duguid:

At the May 2, 2011 regular meeting of the Council of the Town of Thessalon, the following resolution was passed:

“Whereas in an effort to maintain the peace, quiet, dignity and desirable appearance of the municipality, the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon passed By-law Number 1774 on March 7, 2011 to amend Schedule A of By-law Number 1592, being a by-law to establish standards for the maintenance and occupancy of property in the Town of Thessalon, to include the following section:

Every person shall keep every front yard free and clear of any equipment or material relating to Renewable Energy Projects including, but not limited to, Ground and/or Pole Mounted Solar Photovoltaic(PV)Systems, Wind Facilities or any other like equipment.

And whereas Council has received confirmation of an individual=s intention to install large ground mounted solar systems on a vacant lot in a residential area in the municipality;

And whereas the Town of Thessalon has been advised by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing that the Green Energy and Green Economy Act, 2009 made amendments to the Planning Act, most notably the addition of a new section 62.0.2 which exempts renewable energy projects from most land use planning instruments under the Planning Act, including municipal official plans and zoning, site plan control, interim control and holding by-laws, thus eliminating the need for a property owner proposing a renewable energy project to seek an official plan amendment or a change to a zoning by-law, among other matters;

And whereas Council recognizes the importance of the Green Energy and Green Economy Act, 2009, Council is sensitive regarding the impact such installations will have on adjacent property owners who will be in extremely close proximity to such proposed solar systems;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon hereby petitions the Government of Ontario through the Minister of Energy and Infrastructure to reconsider the provisions of the Green Energy and Green Economy Act, 2009 and to address the provisions having regard for the negative impact created by the

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installation of ground mounted solar systems within residential and commercial areas in municipalities;

And further that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities and to all municipalities in the Province of Ontario for endorsement.” CARRIED

Your attention regarding this matter will be appreciated.

Yours truly,

***Robert P. MacLean***

Robert P. MacLean  
Clerk-Treasurer

RPM/pw

cc: Premier Dalton McGuinty  
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**Sent:** Thursday, May 19, 2011 11:39 AM  
**Attach:** FONOM request for support re solar panels.rtf  
**Subject:** Request for Support for Attached Resolution  
 To All Municipalities in Ontario

Please see the attached letter addressed to the Honourable Brad Duguid, Minister of Energy requesting support for the resolution passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Thessalon at the meeting held on May 2, 2011. The letter is in regards to the Green Energy and Green Economy Act, 2009 and the installation of ground mounted solar systems.

This resolution was supported at the recent Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities conference.

It would be appreciated if you would kindly advise the Council of the Town of Thessalon of your support for this resolution.

I have included the following addresses below for your convenience:

The Honourable Brad Duguid  
 Minister of Energy  
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Thank you

*Pat Watson*

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Dear Mayor or Reeve:

June is Seniors' Month, a time to celebrate and honour seniors – their knowledge, experience and the contributions they make every day in communities across the province.

June is also Recreation and Parks Month. This year, the Ontario Seniors' Secretariat and Parks and Recreation Ontario are partnering for our June celebrations. The theme for Seniors' Month, *Live It Up*, emphasizes the benefits of parks and recreation, and active, engaged seniors.

If you have not already officially proclaimed June as Seniors' Month and Recreation and Parks Month, we encourage you to do so this year. For your convenience, sample proclamations are enclosed with this letter. If you do decide to officially proclaim June as Seniors' Month and Recreation and Parks Month, please let us know at [seniorsmonth@ontario.ca](mailto:seniorsmonth@ontario.ca) and [jrpm@prontario.org](mailto:jrpm@prontario.org).

You can find more information about Seniors' Month events at [www.ontario.ca/seniorsmonth](http://www.ontario.ca/seniorsmonth). An Event Notice form is also available at this location, and we encourage you to fill it out so that the Ontario Seniors' Secretariat may promote your events in our online calendar. More information about Recreation and Parks Month is available at [www.recandparksmonth.ca](http://www.recandparksmonth.ca).

Please also mark your calendars for **June 15**, which is **World Elder Abuse Awareness Day**. This day presents a meaningful opportunity to share information and become involved. For more information about elder abuse, visit the Ontario Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse's website at <http://www.onpea.org/>.

As announced last week, our government would like to work with municipalities and local police in developing the new Silver Advisory program. The goal of this new program is to help quickly find seniors living with Alzheimer's and other cognitive impairments when they are missing. Together, we can help ensure that we continue to protect our most vulnerable residents and help keep them safe.

Working in partnership with you helps Ontario remain one of the best places in the world in which to grow older.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Sophia Aggelonitis in black ink.

Sophia Aggelonitis  
Minister Responsible for Seniors

Handwritten signature of Liz Weaver in black ink.

Liz Weaver  
President, Parks and Recreation Ontario

Enclosure

## Seniors' Month Proclamation

**Seniors' Month  
June 1 – 30, 2011**

**WHEREAS** *Seniors' Month* is an annual province-wide celebration;

**WHEREAS** seniors have contributed and continue to contribute immensely to the life and vibrancy of this community;

**WHEREAS** seniors continue to serve as leaders, mentors, volunteers and important and active members of this community;

**WHEREAS** their contributions past and present warrant appreciation and recognition and their stories deserve to be told;

**WHEREAS** the health and well-being of seniors is in the interest of all and further adds to the health and well-being of the community;

**WHEREAS** the knowledge and experience seniors pass on to us continues to benefit all;

We, Mayor \_\_\_\_\_ and Council do hereby proclaim June 1-30, 2011 **Seniors' Month** in \_\_\_\_\_ and encourage all citizens to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of our seniors.

Dated in the Mayor's Office on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

## MUNICIPAL PROCLAMATION

### *June is Recreation and Parks Month*

WHEREAS, in \_\_\_\_\_, we are fortunate to have a variety of recreation and parks systems providing countless recreational opportunities for residents and visitors from around the world; and

WHEREAS, recreation enhances quality of life, balanced living and lifelong learning; helps people live happier and longer; develops skills and positive self image in children and youth; develops creativity; and builds healthy bodies and positive lifestyles; and

WHEREAS, recreational participation builds family unity and social capital; strengthens volunteer and community development; enhances social interaction; creates community pride and vitality; and promotes sensitivity and understanding to cultural diversity; and

WHEREAS, parks, open space and trails provide active and passive outdoor recreation opportunities, help maintain clean air and water; and promotes stewardship of the natural environment; and

WHEREAS, recreation, therapeutic recreation and leisure education are essential to the rehabilitation of individuals who have become ill or disabled, or disadvantaged, or who have demonstrated anti-social behavior; and

WHEREAS, the benefits provided by recreation programs, services and parks, and open space, reduce healthcare and social service costs; serve to boost the economy, economic renewal and sustainability; enhance property values; attract new business; increase tourism; and curb employee absenteeism; and

WHEREAS, all levels of government, the voluntary sector and private enterprise throughout the Province participate in the planning, development and operation of recreation and parks program, services and facilities;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that Ontario does hereby proclaim that June, which witnesses the greening of Ontario and serves as a significant gateway to family activities, has been designated as Recreation and Parks Month, which will annually recognize and celebrate the benefits derived year round from quality public and private recreation and parks resources at the local, regional and provincial levels.

Therefore, \_\_\_\_\_, in recognition of the benefits and values of Recreation and Parks, do hereby designate the month of **June as Recreation and Parks Month.**



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**Sent:** Tuesday, May 31, 2011 9:49 AM  
**Attach:** Warden Golf Poster.docx; 2011 Registration Form.docx  
**Subject:** Annual Warden's Golf Tournament

Hello Everyone!

Due to a few cancellations, there are vacancies for two teams in this year's Warden's Golf Tournament. If you are interested in securing a spot, please contact me ASAP, as they will be reserved on a first-come, first-served basis.

Please find attached the poster and registration form.

This year's tournament is being held on Friday June 24, 2011 at the Roanoke Golf Club on Biesenthal Road, Petawawa. Tee-off time is 1:00 PM.

Warden Sweet invites everyone to come out and have an afternoon of fun.

All proceeds from this tournament will this year be donated to three charities:

Ontario SPCA - Renfrew County Branch  
Canadian Cancer Society - Renfrew County Unit  
Child Action Poverty Network (CPAN) - Backpack Program for Renfrew County

Thanks,  
Jodie

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# THE COUNTY OF RENFREW

## PRESENTS

### THE WARDEN'S INVITATIONAL GOLF TOURNAMENT HOSTED BY WARDEN ROBERT SWEET

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- DATE:** Friday June 24, 2011
- TIME:** 1:00 p.m. - Shotgun Start - Best-Ball Format
- PLACE:** Roanoke Golf Course  
610 Biesenthal Road  
Petawawa, ON
- COST:** \$280 for a team of four (\$70 a person)  
Includes Green Fees, Riding Cart, Dinner, and Door Prizes
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Have fun and help raise money for:

**Ontario Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (OSPCA)**  
**Canadian Cancer Society**  
**Child Poverty Action Network (CPAN) Backpack Program**

**To Register Contact:**

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**LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE! REGISTER EARLY**

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**Townships of Head Clara & Maria**

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**Subject:** AMO Breaking News

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

May 31, 2011

**Ontario Progressive Conservative "Changebook" Platform Released –  
 Highlights of Municipal Related Policies**

The Ontario Progressive Conservative Party Leader, Tim Hudak, released the party's platform "Changebook" for the October 2011 election yesterday. It covers a broad spectrum of policy matters however this Breaking News only highlights those matters that relate to municipal governments' finance and service delivery.

Presented below are key areas as they appear in the "Changebook" and are not necessarily in order of priority. AMO is analyzing and is seeking more information upon which to assess impacts on members.

Absent from "Changebook" is a commitment to ensure that the phased upload of social services and court security from Ontarian's municipal property tax bills is maintained. Maintaining the upload is of critical importance to municipalities' ability to maintain services and invest in infrastructure.

<b>"Changebook" Commitment</b>	<b>AMO Initial Comment</b>
Hospital Emergency Room Visits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Make hospital CEOs responsible for establishing specific, measureable ER wait time guarantees.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AMO supports measures that reduce ambulance off-l delays at Emergency Rooms. The faster admittance patients could put ambulances back on the road more properly coordinated with EMS operators.</li> </ul>
Mining Revenue <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allow local municipalities and First Nations to keep the revenue from the Mine Tax for any new mines that are developed.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>While the aggregates industry pays royalties that support municipal services, no such system exists for the same municipal infrastructure which service mines. Municipalities have petitioned the government on this issue for decades.</li> <li>This change would only apply to new mining operations.</li> </ul>
Provincial Offenses Act Revenue <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work with municipalities to collect the \$1 billion in unpaid fines.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Municipalities have sought additional measures to reduce unpaid fines and improve collections, recognizing that \$1 billion in outstanding fines can be recovered.</li> </ul>
Courts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Extend the hours of Ontario's busiest courts.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Municipalities deliver court security to Ontario's court change is likely to increase these municipal costs unless a provincial cost offset.</li> </ul>
Eliminate eco fees to pay for electronics recycling.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It is not clear from the platform who will pay for the safe disposal of these products however if it falls to municipal property taxpayers, this would be unfortunate. AMO believes the polluter pays principle as key to environmental stewardship and believes that manufacturers must pay the full costs of goods, including safe, environmentally responsible disposal.</li> </ul>
Local Health Integration Networks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AMO has raised concern with the power of the LHINs</li> </ul>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Eliminate the LHINs and redirect the estimated \$300 million back in to patients.</li> </ul>	<p>decision making authority on funding and service delivery within municipal purview and accountability (e.g., long term care).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To date, the LHINs performance has received mixed reviews from across the province.</li> <li>What is unclear is what system or supports exist to step in to this role and how will it be better and not impose decisions upon municipal service delivery in the health care field.</li> </ul>
<p>Full day kindergarten</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A commitment to implement full day learning for 4 and 5 year olds by 2014.</li> <li>The platform is silent on the extended before and after school component of the current program.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AMO has supported the current Early Learning and Full Day Kindergarten program as an important driver for educational achievement and economic development.</li> <li>AMO believes the extended day portion of the program is critical to achieving the full benefits of the policy.</li> <li>AMO has been working with relevant ministries on components of the program to ensure against increased municipal funding responsibilities. This includes downloading licensing responsibilities.</li> <li>Additional information is needed on the scope of the policy and municipal responsibility.</li> </ul>
<p>Increased access to long term care beds</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The platform commits to adding 5,000 new long term care beds to Ontario's system.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AMO has done research on increased access and cost of long term care given demographic and aging society changes.</li> <li>Relying on municipalities to fill more of the long term care pressures in Ontario is not an appropriate response to the need.</li> <li>More information is required to understand if the proposed 5,000 beds are in the private or public sector and the municipal requirements and implications.</li> </ul>
<p>Providing opportunities for newcomers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A commitment to reducing barriers and easing transition for newcomers with a focus on attracting newcomers to small communities.</li> <li>Transparency on foreign credentials and tax credits to employers who offer language training is promised.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AMO has been advocating for policies that promote the attraction and retention of foreign trained professionals to Ontario.</li> <li>More details are required on the easing of access into professions and recognition of foreign credentials.</li> <li>Ontario needs a federal agreement on immigration and settlement that support Ontario's economy and communities.</li> <li>Municipalities cannot and should not have to fill in the 'gaps' of immigration and settlement policy and funding to support the needs of newcomers.</li> </ul>
<p>Modernizing welfare and the provision of welfare benefits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The platform commits to reducing complex administrative barriers and allowing recipients to keep more earned income.</li> <li>Benefits will be provided only to those who have lived in Ontario for one year or more.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Upload agreement also called for streamlining and modernizing and reducing the rules in the welfare administrative framework and to put the recipient, not the system, at the forefront. Work is progressing and we would not want to see it lost.</li> <li>Clarification on the ability to retain earned income and what if any offset of benefits may occur.</li> <li>Many newcomers in Ontario, by no fault of their own, as they transition to employment, find themselves in receipt of social assistance. It is unclear what supports or services will be available to those living in Ontario's communities without income or supports.</li> <li>Clarification on the expectation of municipalities to address these local issues is needed.</li> </ul>
<p>Energy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Open and fair procurement process for alternate energy sources that demands affordable prices and respects local decisions.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AMO supports a fully transparent life cycle analysis for individual energy projects and the overall long-term energy plan. We look forward to learning how the proposed procurement process will work. AMO believes any potential hosts should have a say in the type of generation planned in their community.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>End the feed-in tariff (FIT) program. Honour existing signed contracts.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Many municipalities are participating in FIT programs, as project developers and hosts. Others are active supporters of various manufacturing entities that have recently established themselves to supply the emerging clean energy industry.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Eliminate expensive energy bureaucracy including the OPA.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AMO will seek clarity on how the conservation and planning roles currently performed by the OPA will be fulfilled while</li> </ul>

	<p>continuing to push for programs to build energy management capacity at the municipal level. Energy conservation benefits cost reduction, creates local employment, improves system reliability and fights climate change.</p>
<p>Arbitration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requires arbitrators to take into account the ability of taxpayers to pay when making awards</li> <li>Transparency and accountability in arbitrators' decisions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Policy reflects the key aspects of AMO's advocacy for an improved accountable and transparent arbitration system.</li> <li>Municipalities cannot support excessive arbitration awards that do not take into account local circumstances.</li> </ul>
<p>Provincial Gas Tax Revenue</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Makes the Provincial Gas Tax Transfer Permanent.</li> <li>Safeguards the allocations of municipalities currently receiving funding for transit.</li> <li>Expands the program to an additional 355 municipalities with \$60 million.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AMO has called for making the Provincial Gas Tax (equivalent) Transfer for Transit permanent and to create a similar allocation model to assist the other municipalities that do not receive provincial gas tax for transit.</li> <li>Ontario municipalities have a significant infrastructure deficit, estimated at \$6 billion annually over 10 years to make up – nearly 3/4s of this is roads, bridges and transit.</li> <li>(A detailed analysis on this particular element of the PC Platform will be outlined to our members in a separate Breaking News item)</li> </ul>
<p>Infrastructure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>\$35 million over three years for infrastructure, including roads and transit.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It is unclear whether the \$35 million reference is a commitment only to provincial infrastructure such as 400 series highways and intra-regional transit.</li> <li>Additional information is needed to inform analysis.</li> </ul>
<p>Call Before You Dig not-for-profit call centre to act as a single point of contact for all underground utility locations in Ontario</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AMO supports safeguarding the health and safety of workers and the public and call before you dig service helps to do this by ensuring dangerous underground infrastructure is located before excavation.</li> <li>That is why municipalities offer these services now for workers and citizens in our communities.</li> <li>While we support the principle of One Call to Dig, AMO believes that municipalities, and our property taxpayers, must not pay twice for these services and any One Call service must demonstrate efficiencies and appropriate risk management for our members.</li> </ul>
<p>Water</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Protect all programs that safeguard water quality</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ontario municipalities deliver clean drinking water to our residents every day.</li> <li>It is a highly regulated service.</li> <li>Continued investment from all orders of government in water and wastewater services is critical for the health of our citizens and the economic competitiveness of our province.</li> <li>AMO is undertaking a study of best practices to help municipalities make the transition to full cost recovery for water and wastewater services so that we don't need more regulation.</li> </ul>

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**Townships of Head Clara & Maria**

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**Subject:** Draft guide for the conservation and protection of heritage places of worship / Un guide sur la conservation et la protection des lieux de culte patrimoniaux

Dear heritage stakeholder:

I am pleased to let you know that the Ministry of Tourism and Culture is consulting on a draft guide for the conservation and protection of heritage places of worship in Ontario.

The proposed guide will provide information on the heritage conservation process in Ontario and the specific considerations that arise when heritage places of worship are involved. This includes decisions under the *Ontario Heritage Act* related to listing, designation, alteration, removal and demolition.

When finalized, the guide will be a supplement to the *Ontario Heritage Toolkit*.

The intended audiences will include owners of heritage places of worship, municipal councils, municipal staff, municipal heritage committees, land use planners, heritage professionals and heritage organizations.

The Ministry of Tourism and Culture acknowledges, with thanks, the work of the Ontario Heritage Trust with the Religious Heritage Properties Working Group in the development of the guide.

The draft guide was posted for public comment on the Environmental Registry at <http://www.ebr.gov.on.ca/ERS-WEB-External/displaynoticecontent.do?noticeId=MTEzMzAw&statusId=MTY5ODMy> on Friday, May 20, 2011, for 30 days. I encourage you to visit the Environmental Registry to review the document and provide us with your comments.

Thank you for your continuing support of Ontario's heritage.

Yours truly,

Suzanne Rowe Knight, Director (A)

Culture and Strategic Policy Branch

Ministry of Tourism and Culture

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Madame,

Monsieur,

J'ai le plaisir de vous informer que le ministère du Tourisme et de la Culture est en train de consulter les intéressés au sujet de la version préliminaire d'un guide sur la conservation et la protection des lieux de culte patrimoniaux en Ontario.

Le guide proposé fournira des renseignements sur le processus de conservation du patrimoine utilisé en Ontario et fera état des points particuliers à considérer à cet égard dans le cas des lieux de culte patrimoniaux. Ces décisions comprennent les décisions liées à l'inscription, à la désignation, à la modification, à la disposition et à la démolition qui sont prises au titre de la *Loi sur le patrimoine de l'Ontario*.