

Mayor's report to Council

Dec 11th, 2015

Good afternoon,

Since last Council meeting on Nov 13th, I have attended a meeting of County Council on Nov. 25th. On Nov. 27th I attended a professional development session lead by Peter De Jager that most of you also attended.

On Dec 4th, I attended a meeting of the rural Mayor's Forum of eastern Ontario in Maynooth. The main focus of this meeting was OPP costing and the development of a plan to address any discrepancies in the formula. Affordable broadband is still on the table and we will attempt to work with EORN to fill in as many gaps as possible.

On Tuesday of this week I attended County Council where we had the first election for warden since 2003 when our own Bill Crowshaw ran unsuccessfully for the position.

Warden Peter Emon and Reeve Walter Stack from Arnprior contested the position and Peter Emon won by a 9 – 8 vote. The public gallery was filled with family, friends, staffs and former wardens. The speeches by the nominators, the seconders and the candidates were all well prepared and quite good. The five mayors from the towns that have both a reeve and a mayor were there to offer congratulations as was garrison Petawawa. Mayor Lougheed from Deep River gave by far the best speech. The committee structure was formed for 2016 and I had indicated that I preferred to stay on the Property and Development and Social Services Committees and that was confirmed.

This concludes my report to Council. Are there any questions?