

**AGENDA FOR THE COUNCIL MEETING OF
THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RED ROCK
FOR THE 997th REGULAR MEETING ON FEBRUARY 20th, 2024 AT 7:00P.M.**

1. Closed Session
2. Report from Closed Session
3. Preliminary Matters:
 - Item 3.1: Call to Order (7:00pm)
 - Item 3.2: Traditional Territory Acknowledgement & Moment of Silence
 - Item 3.3: Amendments to/Acceptance of Agenda RES
 - Item 3.4: Request/Receive Disclosures of Interest
4. Presentations or Deputations
 - Item 4.1: Ontario Clean Water Agency – 3rd & 4th Quarterly Reports RES
5. Minutes of Previous Council Meeting(s)
 - Item 5.1: Minutes of the February 5, 2024 Council Meeting (Open & Closed) RES
6. Correspondence
 - Item 6.1: Resolutions from other Municipalities RES
 - Item 6.2: NOMA – Letter to Premier & Minister Graydon Smith
 - Item 6.3: TBDSSAB – Update from the Board
 - Item 6.4: NOMA – International Student Program with attachments
7. Reports from Committees, Boards or Agencies
 - Item 7.1: Red Rock Public Library Board – January 17, 2024 Meeting Minutes RES
8. Reports from Administration
 - Item 8.1: Report from Community Development Officer RES
 - Item 8.2: Report from Fire Chief RES (3)
 - Item 8.3: Report on Administrative Activity RES
 - Item 8.4: Report on Removal of Declaration of Surplus Properties RES
 - Item 8.5: Report on 2024 Water & Sewer Rates
 - Item 8.6: Report on Arena Seasonal Closure
9. By-laws
10. New Business
11. Unfinished Business
 - Item 11.1: EMS Consolidation
 - Item 11.2: OPP Detachment
 - Item 11.3: Bruno’s Development
12. Closed Session
 - Item 12.1: Resolution to enter Closed Session, as authorized by the Municipal Act, 2001. Such paragraphs as set out in the minutes for the purpose of: Paragraph 239(2)(b) (personal matters about an identifiable individual) regarding Item 12.3; and Paragraph 239(2)(d) (labour relations and employee negotiations) RES

- regarding Item 12.4; and
Paragraph 239(2)(f) (solicitor-client privilege) regarding Item 12.5
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| Item 12.2: | Request/Receive Disclosures of Interest in Closed Session | |
| Item 12.3: | Report on Personnel Matters | RES |
| Item 12.4: | Report on Employee Negotiations | |
| Item 12.5: | Report on Legal Matters | |
| Item 12.6: | Resolution to Rise from Closed Session and Report in Open Session | RES |
13. Report from Closed Session
14. Confirming By-law (#2024-1348) RES
15. Adjournment



Red Rock Quarterly Report
July - September 2023

Submitted by:
Ontario Clean Water Agency

FACILITY DESCRIPTIONS

Facilities: Red Rock Water Treatment & Wastewater Treatment
Regional Manager: Patrick Albert (807) 853-0650
Sr. Ops Manager: Patrick Couture (807) 228-2617
Operators: Dave Houston – Team Lead, Clarke Rampersad
Facility Type: Municipal
Classification: Class II Water Treatment, Class III Wastewater Treatment

SERVICE INFORMATION

Population Served: 895

Water Treatment Plant Flows

During Q3 the Red Rock Drinking Water System operated without interruption.

Total treated water flow for the system in July was **6,942.6** (m³), August was **7,803.67** (m³), and September was **8,105.17** (m³); total treated water flow YTD is **60,689.23** (m³). The maximum flow rate from the treatment system to the distribution system shall not exceed the rated capacity of 2,722 (m³/d). In July the max flow was **223.95** (m³/d), in August the max flow was **251.73** (m³/d), and in September the max flow was **270.17** (m³/d).

Treated Water	Total Water Flow (m ³)	Daily Average Flow (m ³ /d)	Daily Maximum Flow (m ³ /d)
July	6,942.6	223.95	279.08
Aug	7,803.67	251.73	306.27
Sept	8,105.17	270.17	363.20
Total Treated Water YTD	60,689.23		

Wastewater Treatment Plant Flows

During Q3 the new Red Rock Wastewater Treatment facility operated without interruption. Total effluent flow for the system in July was **10,490** (m³), August **9,291** (m³) and September was **8,963** (m³); Total effluent flow YTD is **157,578** (m³). The plant capacity for the Red Rock Wastewater facility is approximately 900 (m³/d) and peak hourly flow rate of 5,000 (m³/d). In July the max effluent flow was 434 (m³/d), in August the max effluent flow was 381 (m³/d) and in September the max effluent flow was 370 (m³/d).

Final Effluent	Total Effluent Flow (m ³)	Daily Average Effluent Flow (m ³ /d)	Daily Maximum Effluent Flow (m ³ /d)
July	10,490	338.39	434
Aug	9,291	299.71	381
Sept	8,963	298.77	370
Total Effluent Flow YTD	157,578		

COMPLIANCE SUMMARY

All bacteriological and chemical laboratory sampling, as well as distribution chlorine residuals were taken within the proper timelines as per Ontario Regulation 170/03 and no adverse result was detected.

All staff operating the system are licenced to the required level as per Ontario Regulation 128/04.

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY

There were no new health and safety related concerns or incidents reported during Q3.

INSPECTIONS/COMMUNICATION WITH REGULATORY AUTHORITY

No inspections/communication during Q3

COMPLAINTS & CONCERNS

There were no community complaints or concerns throughout Q3, 2023

ALARMS/CALL OUTS

09/07/23	Call out due to structure fire
14/07/23	Power Outage
06/08/23	Low pH
18/08/23	Well level Alarm
19/08/23	Well level Alarm
20/08/23	Well level Alarm
21/08/23	Well level Alarm
03/09/23	Low pH
07/09/23	Low pH

OVERALL RESPONSIBLE OPERATOR

As Overall Responsible Operator for the systems in Red Rock, it is imperative that OCWA staff be notified of any activities regarding the water systems that affect water quality. Communication has been very good between the Township staff and OCWA staff; this level of communication is appreciated as a safeguard for the community, Council and OCWA in maintaining a safe drinking water system which delivers reliable potable water to its residents.

CAPITAL PROJECT/WORK

Annual UV Maintenance – Parts ordered - Technician Scheduled.
ROV inspections Water Tower – Completed.

OPERATIONS CERTIFICATION

	Patrick Couture Sr. Operations Manager	Dave Houston O&M Team Lead	Clarke Rampersad Mechanic/Operator
Water Treatment	Level 2	Level 3	Level 1
Water Distribution or Distribution and Supply	Level 1	Deemed Level 1	Deemed Level 1
Wastewater Treatment	Level 2	Level 3	Level 1
Wastewater Collection	Level 1	Level 2	Deemed Level 1

** Certification is current as of the date of report.

In closing, I would like to thank you for taking the time to review the Quarterly operational report for Q3 and if you have any questions or concerns at any time please feel free to contact me as I would be happy to assist you.

Thank you,

Patrick Couture

Sr. Operations Manager | Ontario Clean Water Agency

North-western Hub | Superior North Shore Cluster

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3466621		1523, Township of Red Rock	1523, Township of Red Rock	PM	Calibration	1	MONTHS	COMP	7/1/23 12:00 AM	8/4/23 12:00 PM	8/4/23 12:00 PM	ANALYZER CHLORINE/PH CALIBRATION (1m) 1523 - Monthly calibration on WTP Prominent - flow shut-off to unit - low sample flow and low ph alarms tested - remove and flush supply line - clean unit with a diluted muriatic acid solution - flush unit with sample water - perform 2-pt ph calibration as per manufacturers instructions with 7 & 10 buffers - calibrate chlorine channel by comparison with plant CL17 - restore flow and return unit to service - document calibration values on monthly spreadsheet
3466621		1523, Township of Red Rock	1523, Township of Red Rock	PM	Inspection	1	MONTHS	COMP	7/1/23 12:00 AM	8/4/23 11:59 AM	8/4/23 11:59 AM	
3466624		1523, Township of Red Rock	1523, Township of Red Rock	PM	Health and Safety	1	MONTHS	COMP	7/1/23 12:00 AM	8/4/23 11:58 AM	8/4/23 11:58 AM	Critical Alarm/Dialer Testing (1m) 1523 Critical Alarm/Dialer Testing Auto-dialer function tested Alarms sent, received and acknowledged
3466625		1523, Township of Red Rock	1523, Township of Red Rock	PM	Inspection	1	MONTHS	COMP	7/1/23 12:00 AM	7/14/23 07:31 AM	7/14/23 07:31 AM	

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3446639		GENERATOR WTP	1523, Township of Red Rock	PM	Inspection	1	MONTHS	TPM Inspection/Maintenance (1m) 1523	COMP	7/1/23 12:00 AM	8/4/23 11:49 AM	8/4/23 11:49 AM	TPM Inspection/Maintenance (1m) 1523 TPM inspection and maintenance done for the month: - maintenance checks and inspections for all facility equipment completed - equipment and machinery deficiencies (major) noted and forwarded to management - equipment and machinery deficiencies (minor) corrected by operations staff
3446621	0000325915	GENERATOR WTP	1523, Township of Red Rock	PM	Refurbish/ Replace/Repair	1	MONTHS	Generator Test (1m) 1523	COMP	7/1/23 12:00 AM	8/4/23 11:52 AM	8/4/23 11:52 AM	Generator Test (1m) 1523 Monthly checks and test run: -check all fluids and batteries -run unit for >1/2hr -record engine operating temperature, pressure, generator voltage and amperage (no-load) -record fuel level after test run -ensure battery charger is ON after test
3446651			1523, Township of Red Rock	OPER	Compliance	1	MONTHS	WISKI Review (1m) 1523	COMP	7/1/23 12:00 AM	8/4/23 11:51 AM	8/4/23 11:51 AM	WISKI Review (1m) 1523 Wiski Review Login to Wiski to review and update data. All required readings updated for the month.

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 Work Order Type: ADMIN,CALL,CAP,CORR,EMER,OPER,PM
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WO #	Asset ID	Asset Description	Location Description	Work Order		PM Schedule		Workorder Details				Work Log Detail
				Type	Class	FEQ	Units	Status	Schedule Start	Actual Start	Actual Finish	
2470233	0000325921	GENERATOR Stand-By	Red Rock Wastewater Treatment Facility	PM	Refurbish/Replace/Repair	1	MONTHS	COMP	7/1/23 12:00 AM	7/14/23 07:30 AM	7/14/23 07:30 AM	Stand-By Generator Inspection/Maintenance (1m) 1525 Monthly checks/test run -check all fluids -inspect generator enclosure -ensure battery charger operational -perform monthly test of ATS and run genset under load for 1hr -record generator/engine gauge values and hours during loaded operation on check sheet -switch back to utility power -ensure all equipment operational after test -turn duty blower back on after ATS/generator test complete
2470172		1525, Red Rock Wastewater Treatment Facility		PM	Inspection	1	MONTHS	COMP	7/1/23 12:00 AM	7/19/23 08:19 AM	7/19/23 08:19 AM	Critical Alarm/Dialer Testing (1m) 1525 Critical Alarm/Dialer Testing Auto-dialer function tested Alarms sent, received and acknowledged
2470176		1525, Red Rock Wastewater Treatment Facility		PM	Health and Safety	1	MONTHS	COMP	7/1/23 12:00 AM	8/4/23 11:58 AM	8/4/23 11:58 AM	Health And Safety Inspection (1m) 1525

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3470487		1525, Red Rock Wastewater Treatment Facility		PM	Inspection	1	MONTHS	COMP	7/1/23 12:00 AM	8/4/23 12:01 PM	8/4/23 12:01 PM	8/4/23 12:01 PM	TPM Inspection/Maintenance (1m) 1525 TPM inspection and maintenance done for the month; - maintenance checks and inspections for all facility equipment completed - equipment and machinery deficiencies (major) noted and forwarded to management - equipment and machinery deficiencies (minor) corrected by operations staff
3470492		1525, Red Rock Wastewater Treatment Facility		OPER	Compliance	1	MONTHS	COMP	7/1/23 12:00 AM	7/19/23 08:20 AM	7/19/23 08:20 AM	7/19/23 08:20 AM	WISKI Review (1m) 1525 Wiski Review Login to Wiski to review and update data. All required readings updated for the month.
3470452		1523, Township of Red Rock		PM	Compliance	7	DAYS	COMP	7/6/23 12:00 AM	7/6/23 07:26 AM	7/6/23 07:26 AM	7/6/23 07:26 AM	Blue Green Algae Inspection (1w) 1523 Weekly BGA Inspection: • Inspect RW source from shoreline location at or near intake for signs of algal bloom

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3481619		1523, Township of Red Rock	1523, Township of Red Rock	PM	Compliance	7	DAYS	COMP	7/13/23 12:00 AM	7/13/23 07:51 AM	7/13/23 07:51 AM	Blue Green Algae Inspection (1w) 1523	Blue Green Algae Inspection (1w) 1523
3482649		1523, Township of Red Rock	1523, Township of Red Rock	PM	Compliance	7	DAYS	COMP	7/20/23 12:00 AM	8/4/23 11:53 AM	8/4/23 11:53 AM	Blue Green Algae Inspection (1w) 1523	Weekly BGA Inspection; • Inspect KW source from shoreline location at or near intake for signs of algal bloom
3483683		1523, Township of Red Rock	1523, Township of Red Rock	PM	Compliance	7	DAYS	COMP	7/27/23 12:00 AM	8/4/23 11:54 AM	8/4/23 11:54 AM	Blue Green Algae Inspection (1w) 1523	

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3511202		1523, Township of Red Rock		PM	Calibration	1	MONTHS	COMP	8/1/23 12:00 AM	8/29/23 11:45 AM	8/29/23 11:45 AM	ANALYZER TURBIDITY CALIBRATION (1m) 1523 Monthly Cleaning and Calibration of turbidity analyzers - hold outputs in HMI to prevent nuisance/false alarms - clean outside of housing, drain and clean inside of housing, remove and clean sensor and bulb assembly, remove and clean internal flow chamber - calibrate unit as per manufacturers instructions with DI water and 20mu solution, record results on monthly calibration spreadsheet - reassemble unit, return to normal operation, release outputs - procedure completed on raw water, clarifier, and filter (A/B/C/D) analyzers.

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3511209			1523, Township of Red Rock	PM	Inspection	1	MONTHS	COMP	8/1/23 12:00 AM	8/31/23 02:18 PM	8/31/23 02:18 PM	ANALYZER CHLORINE CALIBRATION Plant CL17 chlorine analyzer monthly maintenance; - monthly sulfuric acid cleaning procedure completed as per manufacturers instructions - reagent and buffer solutions inside unit replaced with new and unit primed as per manufacturers instructions - unit calibrated by comparison with DR300 as per manufacturers instructions - alarms tested during maintenance - low chlorine alarm and plant shut-down alarms received and acknowledged during maintenance procedure with plant offline

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3511523			1523, Township of Red Rock	PM	Inspection	1	MONTHS	COMP	Critical Alarm/Dialer Testing (Im) 1523	8/1/23 12:00 AM	8/4/23 11:56 AM	8/4/23 11:56 AM	ANALYZER PH CALIBRATION - Monthly calibration on WTP Prominent - flow shut-off to unit - low sample flow and low ph alarms tested - remove and flush supply line - clean unit with a diluted muriatic acid solution - flush unit with sample water - perform 2-ph calibration as per manufacturers instructions with 7 & 10 buffers - calibrate chlorine channel by comparison with plant CL17 - restore flow and return unit to service - document calibration values on monthly spreadsheet - Critical Alarm/Dialer Testing (Im) 1523 - Critical Alarm/Dialer Testing Auto-dialer function tested Alarms sent, received and acknowledged

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3511227		1523, Township of Red Rock	1523, Township of Red Rock	PM	Inspection	1	MONTHS	COMP	8/1/23 12:00 AM	8/28/23 08:38 AM	8/28/23 08:38 AM	TPM Inspection/Maintenance (1m) 1523 - maintenance checks and inspections for all facility equipment completed - equipment and machinery deficiencies (major) noted and forwarded to management - equipment and machinery deficiencies (minor) corrected by operations staff
3511481	0000325915	GENERATOR WTP	1523, Township of Red Rock	PM	Refurbish/ Replace/Repair	1	MONTHS	COMP	8/1/23 12:00 AM	8/29/23 11:45 AM	8/29/23 11:45 AM	Generator Test (1m) 1523
3513789		1523, Township of Red Rock	1523, Township of Red Rock	OPER	Compliance	1	MONTHS	COMP	8/1/23 12:00 AM	8/29/23 01:49 PM	8/29/23 01:49 PM	WISKI Review (1m) 1523 Wiski Review Login to Wiski to review and update data. All required readings updated for the month.

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3514308	0000325921	GENERATOR Stand-By	Red Rock Wastewater Treatment Facility	PM	Refurbish/Replace/Repair	1	MONTHS	COMP	8/1/23 12:00 AM	8/21/23 09:57 AM	8/21/23 09:57 AM	Stand-By Generator Inspection/Maintenance (1m) 1525 Monthly checks/test run -check all fluids -inspect generator enclosure -ensure battery charger operational -perform monthly test of ATS and run genset under load for 1hr -record generator/engine gauge values and hours during loaded operation on check sheet -switch back to utility power after test -ensure all equipment operational -turn duty blower back on after ATS/generator test complete
3514309		1525, Red Rock Wastewater Treatment Facility		PM	Inspection	1	MONTHS	COMP	8/1/23 12:00 AM	8/17/23 08:44 AM	8/17/23 08:44 AM	Critical Alarm/Dialer Testing (1m) 1525 Critical Alarm/Dialer Testing
3514403		1525, Red Rock Wastewater Treatment Facility		PM	Health and Safety	1	MONTHS	COMP	8/1/23 12:00 AM	8/25/23 10:59 AM	8/25/23 10:59 AM	Health And Safety Inspection (1m) 1525 Monthly workplace inspection completed.
3514414		1525, Red Rock Wastewater Treatment Facility		PM	Inspection	1	MONTHS	COMP	8/1/23 12:00 AM	8/25/23 10:57 AM	8/25/23 10:57 AM	TPM Inspection/Maintenance (1m) 1525 TPM Inspection/Maintenance (1m) 1525

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3514419			1525, Red Rock Wastewater Treatment Facility	OPER	Compliance	1	MONTHS	COMP	8/1/23 12:00 AM	8/17/23 10:24 AM	8/17/23 10:24 AM	WISKI Review (1m) 1525 Wiski Review Login to Wiski to review and update data. All required readings updated for the month.
3522804			1523, Township of Red Rock	PM	Compliance	7	DAYS	COMP	8/3/23 12:00 AM	8/4/23 11:57 AM	8/4/23 11:57 AM	Blue Green Algae Inspection (1w) 1523 Weekly BGA Inspection: • Inspect RW source from shoreline location at or near intake for signs of algal bloom
3524502			1523, Township of Red Rock	PM	Compliance	7	DAYS	COMP	8/10/23 12:00 AM	8/10/23 01:52 PM	8/10/23 01:52 PM	Blue Green Algae Inspection (1w) 1523 Weekly BGA Inspection: • Inspect RW source from shoreline location at or near intake for signs of algal bloom
3524533			1523, Township of Red Rock	PM	Compliance	7	DAYS	COMP	8/17/23 12:00 AM	8/18/23 07:41 AM	8/18/23 07:41 AM	Blue Green Algae Inspection (1w) 1523 Weekly BGA Inspection: • Inspect RW source from shoreline location at or near intake for signs of algal bloom

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152764			1523, Township of Red Rock	PM	Compliance	7	DAYS	COMP	8/31/23 12:00 AM	8/31/23 02:19 PM	8/31/23 02:19 PM	Blue Green Algae Inspection (1w) 1523 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inspect RW source from shoreline location or near intake for signs of algal bloom

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Report End Date: Sep 30, 2023 11:59 PM

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155768Z		1523, Township of Red Rock		PM	Calibration	1	MONTHS	COMP	9/1/23 12:00 AM	9/15/23 01:24 PM	9/15/23 01:24 PM	ANALYZER TURBIDITY CALIBRATION (1m) 1523 -Lakeside Process completed their annual turbidity analyzer verifications/calibrations
155769Z		1523, Township of Red Rock		PM	Inspection	1	MONTHS	COMP	9/1/23 12:00 AM	9/15/23 01:26 PM	9/15/23 01:26 PM	Plant CL17 chlorine analyzer - monthly maintenance; - monthly sulfuric acid cleaning procedure completed as per manufacturers instructions - reagent and buffer solutions inside unit replaced with new and unit primed as per manufacturers instructions - unit calibrated by comparison with DR300 as per manufacturers instructions - alarms tested during maintenance - low chlorine alarm and plant shut-down alarms received and acknowledged during maintenance procedure with plant offline
155760Z		1523, Township of Red Rock		PM	Inspection	1	MONTHS	CYMP	9/1/23 12:00 AM	9/6/23 08:43 AM	9/6/23 08:43 AM	Critical Alarms/Dialer Testing (1m) 1523 ANALYZER CHLORINE/PH CALIBRATION (1m) 1523 -Lakeside Process completed their annual verifications/calibrations Critical Alarm/Dialer Testing (1m) 1523 Critical Alarm/Dialer Testing Auto-dialer function tested Alarms sent, received and acknowledged to both systems; Verbatim and WIN-911

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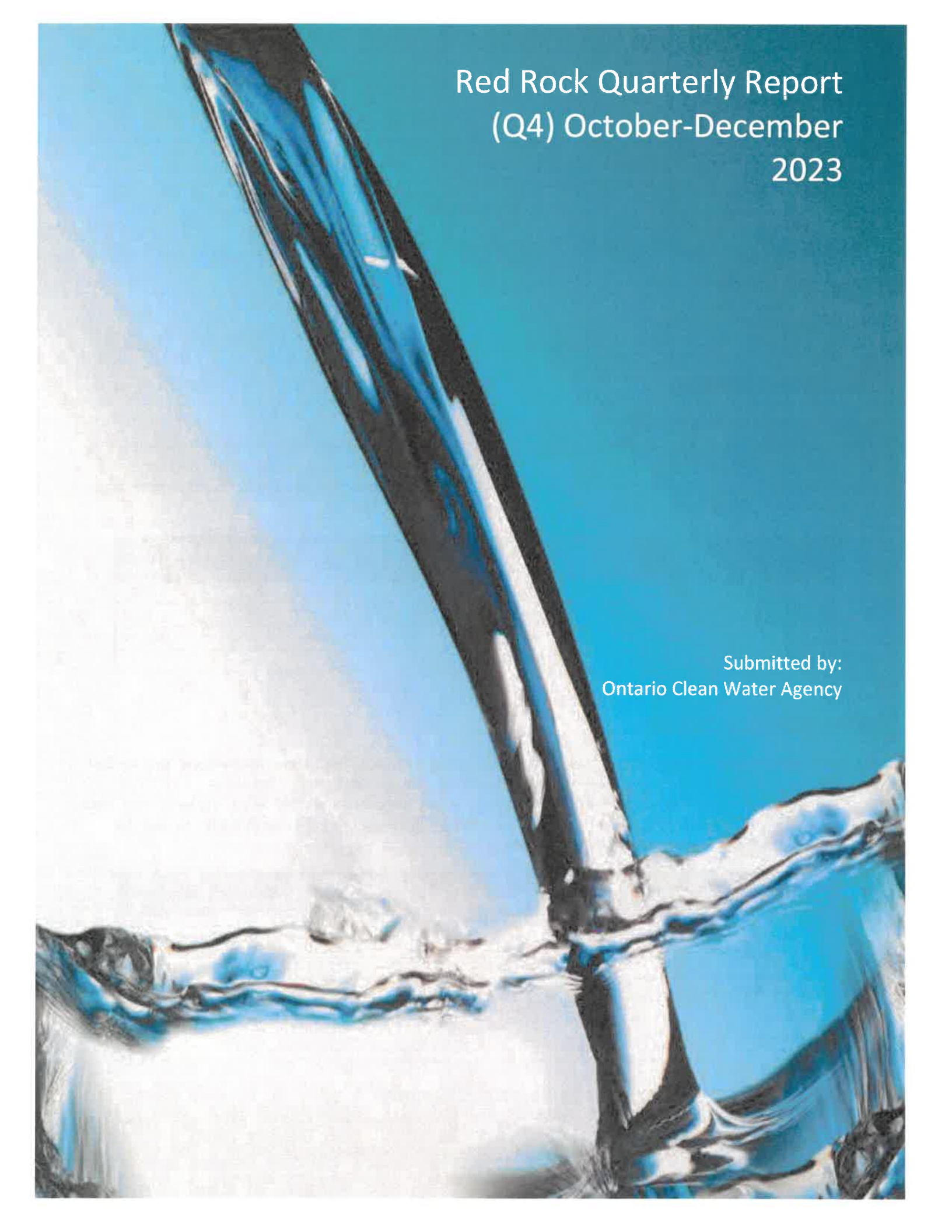
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3557612			1523, Township of Red Rock	PM	Inspection	1	MONTHS	COMP	9/1/23 12:00 AM	9/5/23 08:28 AM	9/5/23 08:28 AM	TPM Inspection/Maintenance (1m) 1523 TPM inspection and maintenance done for the month: - equipment and machinery deficiencies (major) noted and forwarded to management - equipment and machinery deficiencies (minor) corrected by operations staff
3557666	0000325915	GENERATOR WTP	1523, Township of Red Rock	PM	Refurbish/ Replacer/Repair	1	MONTHS	COMP	9/1/23 12:00 AM	9/18/23 08:59 AM	9/18/23 08:59 AM	Generator Test (1m) 1523 -Generator utilized to run the wip under load during Sept. 17 planned Hydro One outage
3560949	0000325921	GENERATOR Stand-By	Red Rock Wastewater Treatment Facility	PM	Refurbish/ Replacer/Repair	1	MONTHS	COMP	9/1/23 12:00 AM	9/25/23 09:21 AM	9/25/23 09:21 AM	Stand-By Generator Inspection/Maintenance (1m) 1523 Sept 17/23 Standby generator utilized during Hydro One outage Unit inspected and monthly checks completed
3561130			1525, Red Rock Wastewater Treatment Facility	PM	Inspection	1	MONTHS	COMP	9/1/23 12:00 AM	10/2/23 08:26 AM	10/2/23 08:26 AM	Critical Alarm/Dialer Testing (1m) 1525
3561134			1525, Red Rock Wastewater Treatment Facility	PM	Health and Safety	1	MONTHS	COMP	9/1/23 12:00 AM	10/2/23 08:26 AM	10/2/23 08:26 AM	Health And Safety Inspection (1m) 1525
3561143			1525, Red Rock Wastewater Treatment Facility	PM	Inspection	1	MONTHS	COMP	9/1/23 12:00 AM	10/2/23 08:27 AM	10/2/23 08:27 AM	TPM Inspection/Maintenance (1m) 1525
3561150			1525, Red Rock Wastewater Treatment Facility	OPER	Compliance	1	MONTHS	COMP	9/1/23 12:00 AM	10/2/23 08:26 AM	10/2/23 08:26 AM	WISKI Review (1m) 1525

Workorder Summary Report

Report Start Date: Sep 1, 2023 12:00 AM
 Report End Date: Sep 30, 2023 11:59 PM
 Location: 1523*, 1525*
 Work Order Type: ADMIN CALL,CAP.CORR,EMER,OPER,PM
 Work Order Class:

WO #	Asset ID	Asset Description	Location Description	WorkOrder		PM Schedule		Workorder Details			WorkLog Detail	
				Type	Class	FEQ	Units	Status	Schedule Start	Actual Start		Actual Finish
3571816		1523, Township of Red Rock	PM	Compliance	7	DAYS		COMP	9/7/23 12:00 AM	9/8/23 10:48 AM	9/8/23 10:48 AM	Blue Green Algae Inspection (1w) 1523 Weekly BGA Inspection: • Inspect RW source from shoreline location at or near intake for signs of algal bloom
3573267		1523, Township of Red Rock	PM	Compliance	7	DAYS		COMP	9/14/23 12:00 AM	9/15/23 01:28 PM	9/15/23 01:28 PM	Blue Green Algae Inspection (1w) 1523 Weekly shoreline inspection of raw water body for HAB completed and logged
3574384		1523, Township of Red Rock	PM	Compliance	7	DAYS		COMP	9/21/23 12:00 AM	9/25/23 09:15 AM	9/25/23 09:15 AM	Blue Green Algae Inspection (1w) 1523
3575581		1523, Township of Red Rock	PM	Compliance	7	DAYS		COMP	9/28/23 12:00 AM	10/2/23 08:27 AM	10/2/23 08:27 AM	Blue Green Algae Inspection (1w) 1523



Red Rock Quarterly Report
(Q4) October-December
2023

Submitted by:
Ontario Clean Water Agency

FACILITY DESCRIPTIONS

Facilities: Red Rock Water Treatment & Wastewater Treatment
Regional Manager: Patrick Albert (807) 853-0650
Sr. Ops Manager: Patrick Couture (807) 228-2617
Operators: Dave Houston – Team Lead, Clarke Rampersad
Facility Type: Municipal
Classification: Class II Water Treatment, Class III Wastewater Treatment

SERVICE INFORMATION

Population Served: 895

Water Treatment Plant Flows

During Q4 the Red Rock Drinking Water System operated without interruption.

Total treated water flow for the system in October was **7989.62** (m³), November was **6994.15** (m³), and December was **6534.04** (m³); total flow YTD is **82,323.45** (m³). The maximum flow rate from the treatment system to the distribution system shall not exceed the rated capacity of 2,722 (m³/d). In October the max flow was **274.52** (m³/d), in November the max flow was **278.77** (m³/d), and in December the max flow was **243.77** (m³/d).

Treated Water	Total Water Flow (m ³)	Daily Average Flow (m ³ /d)	Daily Maximum Flow (m ³ /d)
Oct	7989.62	257.73	274.52
Nov	6994.15	233.14	278.77
Dec	6534.04	210.78	243.77
Total Treated Water YTD	82,323.45		

Wastewater Treatment Plant Flows

During Q4 the new Red Rock Wastewater Treatment facility operated without interruption. Total effluent flow for the system in October was **8821** (m³), November **10731** (m³) and December was **10618** (m³); Total effluent flow YTD is **185,917** (m³). The plant capacity for the Red Rock Wastewater facility is approximately 900 (m³/d) and peak hourly flow rate of 5,000 (m³/d). In October the max effluent flow was **345** (m³/d), in November the max effluent flow was **501** (m³/d) and in December the max effluent flow was **1348** (m³/d).

Final Effluent	Total Effluent Flow (m ³)	Daily Average Effluent Flow (m ³ /d)	Daily Maximum Effluent Flow (m ³ /d)
Oct	8,821	284.55	345
Nov	10,731	357.7	501
Dec	10,618	342.52	1348
Total Effluent Flow YTD	185,917		

COMPLIANCE SUMMARY

All bacteriological and chemical laboratory sampling, as well as distribution chlorine residuals were taken within the proper timelines as per Ontario Regulation 170/03 and no adverse result was detected.
All staff operating the system are licenced to the required level as per Ontario Regulation 128/04.

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY

There were no new health and safety related concerns or incidents reported during Q4.

INSPECTIONS/COMMUNICATION WITH REGULATORY AUTHORITY

None.

COMPLAINTS & CONCERNS

There were no community complaints or concerns throughout Q4, 2023

ALARMS/CALL OUTS

No call outs were reported from October – December. Work order summaries attached.

OVERALL RESPONSIBLE OPERATOR

As Overall Responsible Operator for the systems in Red Rock, it is imperative that OCWA staff be notified of any activities regarding the water systems that affect water quality. Communication has been very good between the Township staff and OCWA staff; this level of communication is appreciated as a safeguard for the community, Council and OCWA in maintaining a safe drinking water system which delivers reliable potable water to its residents.

CAPITAL PROJECT/WORK

Annual UV Maintenance – parts received - Technician Scheduled for 2024.
ROV inspections Water Tower – Completed.
Clarifier Drive Repairs - TBD

OPERATIONS CERTIFICATION

	Patrick Couture Sr. Operations Manager	Dave Houston O&M Team Lead	Clarke Rampersad Mechanic/Operator
Water Treatment	Level 2	Level 3	Level 1
Water Distribution or Distribution and Supply	Level 1	Deemed Level 1	Deemed Level 1
Wastewater Treatment	Level 2	Level 3	Level 1
Wastewater Collection	Level 1	Level 2	OIT

** Certification is current as of the date of report.

In closing, I would like to thank you for taking the time to review the Quarterly operational report for Q3 and if you have any questions or concerns at any time please feel free to contact me as I would be happy to assist you.

Thank you,

Patrick Couture

Sr. Operations Manager | Ontario Clean Water Agency

North-western Hub | Superior North Shore Cluster

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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RED ROCK

996th REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

FEBRUARY 5th, 2024

Present:	Mayor:	D. Robinson
	Councillors:	G. Muir
		N. Gladun
		C. Brand
		M. Smith (electronically, 6:30-7:00pm)
	Chief Administrative Officer:	M. Figliomeni
	Municipal Secretary:	W. Odahl
	Community Development Officer:	A. Davis

ONE: CLOSED SESSION

1.1 Resolution to Close the Meeting

Resolution #1

Moved by: Councillor Muir
Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council move into Closed Session at 6:30pm under the authorities as printed in the Agenda.

CARRIED

Council entered Closed Session.

1.2 Disclosures of Interest

In response to Mayor Robinson's request, Councillor Brand disclosed interest for Item 1.7 of the agenda in Closed Session.

1.3 Minutes of January 15, 2024 Meeting of Council (Closed Session)

Resolution #2

Moved by: Councillor Smith
Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves Closed Session Minutes of the January 15, 2024 Meeting of Council.

CARRIED

Resolution #3

Moved by: Councillor Muir
Seconded by: Councillor Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council rise from Closed Session at 7:00pm and report in Open Session.

CARRIED

The open session re-convened at 7:00pm.

Resolution #4

Moved by: Councillor Muir

Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Red Rock will not renew the employment agreement related to the role of Director of Operations, dated February 17, 2021, beyond its expiration date of March 1, 2024.

CARRIED

TWO: REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

While in Closed Session, Council approved the Closed Session Minutes from the January 15, 2024 meeting of Council. Council also discussed personnel matters and employee negotiations. Council did not finish discussions and it was noted that Council would go back into Closed Session at the end of the meeting.

THREE: PRELIMINARY MATTERS

3.1 Call to Order

Mayor Robinson called the meeting to order at 7:02p.m.

3.2 Traditional Territory Acknowledgement & Moment of Silence

Mayor Robinson read aloud the following land recognition and then proceeded in a moment of silence:

“Council of the Township of Red Rock hereby acknowledge that we are on the traditional territory of the Robinson-Superior Treaty and that the land we gather on is home to the Red Rock Indian Band, the Anishnaabek and the Metis People.”

CARRIED

3.3 Acceptance of the Agenda

The Agenda was approved with the following resolution:

Resolution #5

Moved by: Councillor Muir

Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for this Meeting of Council, be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

3.4 Disclosures of Interest

In response to Mayor Robinson's request, no members disclosed interest in matters before Council this evening.

FOUR: PRESENTATIONS OR DEPUTATIONS

Adam Rose from RJ Burnside joined Council electronically to present the final Active Transportation Improvement Plan for the Township of Red Rock. Adam gave a thorough review of the document and Council accepted the plan with the following resolution:

Resolution #6

Moved by: Councillor Muir

Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Red Rock's Active Transportation Improvement Plan presented by RJ Burnside, be accepted.

CARRIED

FIVE: MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

5.1 Minutes of the January 15, 2024 Meeting of Council

Council approved the Open Session Minutes for the January 15, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council with the following resolution:

Resolution #7

Moved by: Councillor Brand

Seconded by: Councillor Muir

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the Open Session Minutes of the January 15, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council.

CARRIED

SIX: CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 Resolutions from other Municipalities

There were no resolutions from other Municipalities brought forward at this meeting.

6.2 Ontario Provincial Police – Community Safety and Policing Act

Council posed no questions or discussions on the correspondence.

6.3 Red Rock Fish & Game Club – Ice Fishing Derby Donation

Council discussed the donation request, agreeing on a \$250.00 donation for the event.

Resolution #8

Moved by: Councillor Muir
Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves a donation to the Red Rock Fish & Game Club in the amount of \$250.00 for the Annual Ice Fishing Derby.

CARRIED

6.4 Ministry of Finance – OMPF Funding Allocation

Council posed no questions or discussions on the correspondence.

6.5 NOMA – 2024 ROMA Conference Summary

Council posed no questions or discussions on the correspondence.

6.6 Enbridge – Ontario Energy Board Concerns

Council posed no questions or discussions on the correspondence.

6.7 Confederation College – Reforms to the International Student Program

Council briefly discussed the correspondence before moving on to the next item.

6.8 TBDHU – December 20, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Council posed no questions or discussions on the correspondence.

6.9 TBDML – September 16, 2023 Minutes (Amended)

Council posed no questions or discussions on the correspondence.

6.10 TBDML – October 18, 2023 Minutes

Council discussed the upcoming TBDML Conference and Annual General Meeting in Nipigon.

6.11 TBDSSAB – December 14, 2023 Minutes (Open & Closed)

Council posed no questions or discussions on the correspondence.

SEVEN: REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, BOARDS OR AGENCIES

7.1 Red Rock Public Library Board – December 12, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Council posed no questions or discussions on the minutes.

Resolution #9

Moved by: Councillor Gladun
Seconded by: Councillor Muir

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the Red Rock Public Library Board's meeting on December 12, 2023, be received.

CARRIED

EIGHT: REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

8.1 Report on OPP Detachment Board Proposal

The CAO explained to Council the change in the Community Safety and Policing Act, which includes the introduction of a joint detachment board between Red Rock, Nipigon, Dorion and Red Rock Indian Band. Councillor Muir noted his interest and volunteered himself to represent Red Rock on the board.

8.2 Report on Administrative Activity

The CAO reviewed his report with Council. It was noted that the assessment on the new Water Pollution Control Plant has significantly increased to 1.3 million. The currently listed surplus properties were discussed and Administration was directed to remove two listings due to property issues. Council discussed the request for ATV runs in the community, noting their full support of the events.

Resolution #10

Moved by: Councillor Brand
Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report on Administrative Activity be received.

CARRIED

NINE: BY-LAWS

TEN: NEW BUSINESS

None

ELEVEN: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no update to give on items under Unfinished Business.

TWELVE: CLOSED SESSION

12.1 Resolution to Close the Meeting

Resolution #11

Moved by: Councillor Brand
Seconded by: Councillor Muir

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council move into Closed Session at 8:19pm under the authorities as printed in the Agenda.

CARRIED

Council entered Closed Session.

While in Closed Session, Councillor Brand declared a conflict of interest and left the Council Chambers at 8:43pm and returned at 8:52pm.

Resolution #12

Moved by: Councillor Muir
Seconded by: Councillor Gladun

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council rise from Closed Session at 8:53pm and report in Open Session.

CARRIED

The open session re-convened at 8:53pm.

THIRTEEN: REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Council discussed items relating to identifiable individuals, acquisition & disposition of land, and matters under solicitor-client privilege in Closed Session.

FOURTEEN: CONFIRMING BY-LAW

Resolution #13

Moved by: Councillor Muir
Seconded by: Councillor Brand

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 2024-1348, to confirm the proceedings of this evening's meeting be passed as circulated.

CARRIED

FIFTEEN: ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Robinson reminded the public that the next meeting of Council will be held on Tuesday, February 20th.

With no further business to conduct, Mayor Robinson declared the meeting adjourned at 8:54p.m.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk

February 8, 2024

Rural Ontario Municipal Association
Attn: Board of Directors
Via email roma@roma.on.ca

Ontario Good Roads Association
Attn: Board of Directors
Via email info@goodroads.ca

Via email

RE: return to combined ROMA and OGRA conferences

Dear ROMA & OGRA Board of Directors,

During the February 5, 2024 regular meeting of council, council in response to a notice of motion from Deputy Mayor Joel Field the following resolution passed:

MOVED: Bill Clark

SECONDED: Chad Hyatt

WHEREAS as a past attendee of combined conferences, it makes great sense for the OGRA & ROMA conferences to be returned to a combined conference effort, not only financially for the municipality but also for availability for participation of members of Council and staff; and

WHEREAS these conferences afford a vital opportunity for delegations with members of our provincial parliament, returning to a combined conference provides a better respect to their availability and participation; and

WHEREAS during the 2019 OGRA conference AGM a resolution was passed regarding the re-establishment of an annual combined conference for both OGRA & ROMA; and

WHEREAS it is understandable that little movement has happened since the resolution at the 2019 OGRA conference AGM was passed, due to delays of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS not all persons who wish to attend can do so in person, that a hybrid participation option be considered for the sessions;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Petrolia call upon both the ROMA & OGRA boards to re-establish a combined OGRA & ROMA annual conference.

FURTHERMORE that this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Minister Paul Calandra, MPP Bob Bailey and be circulated to Municipalities of Ontario; as amended

Carried

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Kind regards,

Original Signed

Mandi Pearson
Clerk/Operations Clerk

cc:

Premier Doug Ford premier@ontario.ca
Hon. Paul Calandra Paul.Calandra@pc.ola.org
MPP Bob Bailey, Sarnia-Lambton bob.bailey@pc.ola.org
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January 31, 2024

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
premier@ontario.ca

DELIVERED VIA EMAIL

RE: Rural and Small Urban Municipalities – Affordability of Water and Wastewater Systems

Dear Premier Ford,

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on January 31, 2024, The County of Renfrew passed the following resolution:

WHEREAS the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) (Section 1.6.6.2) states that municipal sewage services and municipal water services are the preferred form of servicing for settlement areas to support protection of the environment and minimize potential risks to human health and safety and that intensification and redevelopment within these settlement areas should be promoted; and

WHEREAS the PPS (Section 2.2.1 (f)) states that planning authorities shall protect, improve, or restore the quality and quantity of water by implementing the necessary restrictions on development and site alternation to protect all drinking supplies and designated vulnerable areas, and protect, improve, or restore vulnerable surface and ground water, sensitive surface water features and sensitive groundwater features, and their hydrologic functions; and

WHEREAS the PPS (Sections 2.2.1(h) and (i)) states that there is consideration of environmental lake capacity as well as stormwater management practices; and

WHEREAS the Ministry of the Environment, Protection and Conservation (MECP) Procedural Guideline B-1-5 Policy 2 provision states that water quality which presently does not meet the Provincial Water Quality Objectives shall not be further degraded and all practical measures shall be undertaken to upgrade the water quality to the Objectives; and

WHEREAS in 2014 the Township of Whitewater Region authorized Jp2gConsultants Inc. to undertake a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for the purpose of evaluating viable options to upgrade the 1979 Cobden Wastewater Treatment Plant. This plant did not meet guidelines for effluent flow into Muskrat Lake and Cobden Wetland being highly sensitive, at-capacity, inland lake, and Provincial Significant Wetland (PSW) and acknowledged as one of

the most eutrophic in the province. The plant had ongoing seasonal overflow events, and was operating at maximum capacity; and

WHEREAS in 2018 the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region approved the construction of a new parallel mechanical system that would meet all provincial environmental and regulatory requirements including accommodating future growth. Federal and provincial contributions only covered 50% of the final construction costs, as there was no ability to renegotiate with federal and provincial partners once real costs were known. As a result, the balance of costs (\$6M) was debentured over 30 years at interest rates that are slightly punitive to rural and small urban municipalities; and

WHEREAS in 2019 the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region conducted a Water and Wastewater Rate Study that demonstrated the need for rate increases of over 100% to fund the new wastewater treatment plant construction debenture and the significantly increased operating costs for a parallel mechanical system. Rural and small urban municipalities experience very limited growth as federal and provincial policies heavily support growth in urban centers. As there are no other sources of available operational funding, rural and small urban municipalities are expected to fund the construction and operation of these state-of-the-art systems from existing property owners and nominal forecasted growth; and

WHEREAS in 2023 the Township of Whitewater Region combined water and wastewater rates have risen to almost \$3,000/year for its five hundred and eleven (511) users and are among the highest in the County of Renfrew and across the Province of Ontario. There are similarly high user rates in the Township of Madawaska Valley as a result of Provincial regulations and a small number of users. Other examples of rapidly increasing rates include the Towns of Deep River, Renfrew, Arnprior, Laurentian Hills, and Petawawa, and the Townships of Bonnechere Valley, Laurentian Valley and Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards, where significant upgrades in short periods of time are making rates unaffordable even with an increased number of users.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the County of Renfrew:

Advocate to the provincial and federal levels of government to make them aware that rural and small urban water and wastewater systems are financially unsustainable; and Advocate to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Rural Ontario Municipalities Association (ROMA) and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) to examine if the unaffordability of water and wastewater system operational costs is systemic provincially and nationally.

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be circulated to The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure (Ontario); the Honourable Dominic LeBlanc, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, Infrastructure and Communities (Canada); the Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (Ontario), Cheryl Gallant, MP, Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke, John Yakabuski, MPP, Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke and Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks; AMO; ROMA; FCM; and all Municipalities in Ontario.

If you have any questions regarding the above resolution, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Emon', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Peter Emon, Warden

County of Renfrew

warden@countyofrenfrew.on.ca

cc: Honourable Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure (Ontario)
Honourable Dominic LeBlanc, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, Infrastructure and Communities (Canada)
Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (Ontario), Cheryl Gallant, MP, Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke
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AMO; ROMA; FCM; and all Municipalities in Ontario.



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February 15, 2024

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Hon. Doug Ford
Premier
Room 281
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VIA: Email

Dear Premier Ford and Minister Graydon Smith,

On behalf of the Board of Directors for the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA), we are reaching out to seek government assistance to find a new operator for the Terrace Bay pulp mill to reopen the facility. On January 2nd the company disclosed that it will halt pulp production indefinitely due to prevailing market conditions. The closure will have a severe impact on the local and neighbouring communities.

The pulp mill plays an important role in the local economy, serving as the biggest employer for many residents in the community. The mill's shutdown will render approximately 400 workers jobless unexpectedly. This will have a significant impact on them and their families.

The pulp supplied 320,000 metric tons of northern bleached softwood-kraft-pulp annually, contributing to the national demand for paper products. The closure not only affects the mill workers, but also local businesses, trucking companies, fuel suppliers, and those that rely on the product from the mill to name a few. The closure will put pressure on neighbouring sawmills in Longlac and Nakina, which must get wood from the north, increasing costs. The pulp mill's shutdown has wide-reaching affects, and it is in the best interest of the region for it to reopen.

We recognize the challenges faced by the industry and understand the difficulties involved. However, with your efforts and intervention, we believe that the necessary steps can be taken to reopen the pulp mill and ensure long-term sustainable operations.

I appreciate your time and consideration to this matter and look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Wendy Landry' in a cursive script.

Wendy Landry, President, NOMA
Mayor, Municipality of Shuniah



Update from the Board

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Message from the Chair

Please find below the latest issue of Update from The Board, the monthly newsletter from the Board of Directors of The District of Thunder Bay Social Services Administration Board.

Please circulate to members of your respective Municipal Councils and Local Roads Boards.

The purpose of this newsletter is to keep our municipal stakeholders informed about TBDSSAB activities by providing an overview of TBDSSAB Board information and reports following all monthly meetings.

Some highlights from January:

- At the January 18 14 Board meeting, the Board was presented with a report on the 2024 municipal levy apportionment. A link to this report is included below.
- Also in January, members of the Board attended the 2024 Rural Ontario Municipal Association annual conference in Toronto. Our thanks to provincial representatives from the Ministries of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Education, and Children,

Community and Social Services for meeting with us. Position papers from these meetings can be viewed [on our website](#).

Thank you,

Brian Hamilton
Chair, TBDSSAB

This edition of Update from the Board covers TBDSSAB's regular monthly meeting in **January 2024**, as well as key initiatives taking place in this time span.

Our aim is to provide an overview of TBDSSAB Board information and reports in a timely manner following all monthly meetings.

Next Meeting

The next Board meeting will be held **Thursday February 15, 2024 at 10:00am**

The Board meeting is scheduled to take place in person. For more information, please visit the [Board Meetings page](#) on our website.

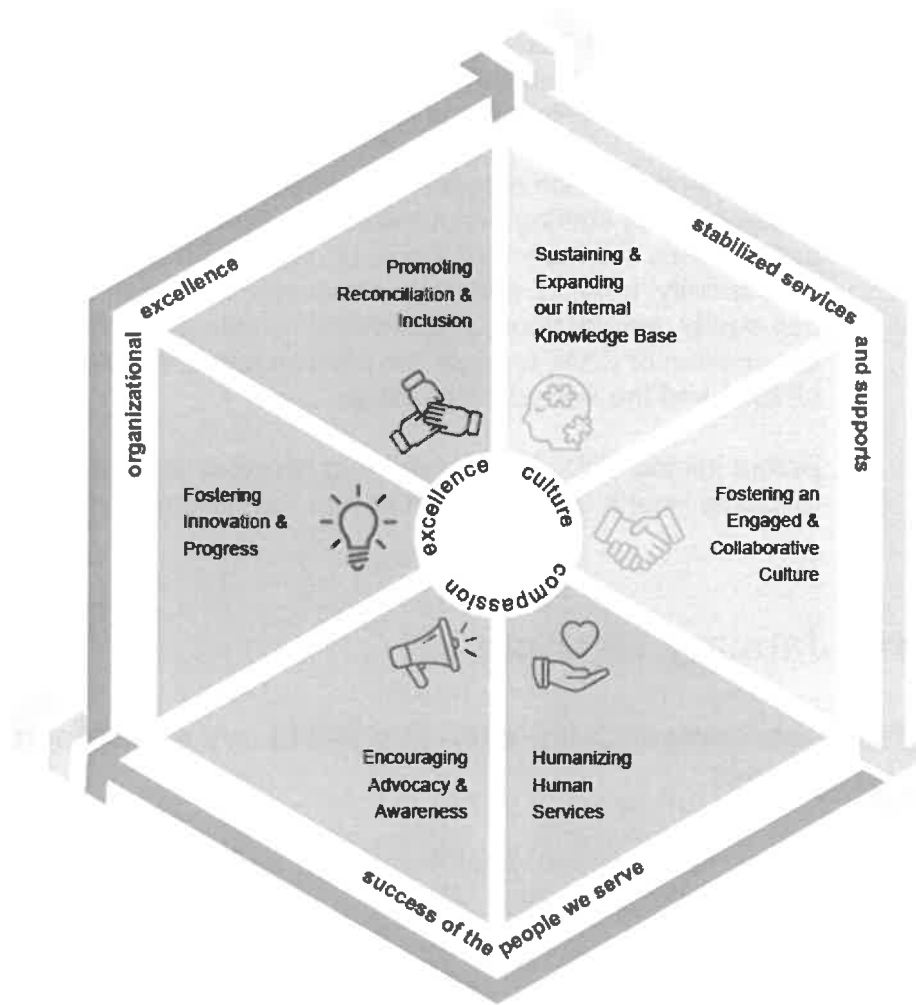
Spotlights

TBDSSAB's 2024-2027 Strategic Plan

TBDSSAB's 2024-2027 Strategic Plan focuses on priority areas related to stabilized support services, a people-centered approach, and organizational excellence. With a focus on **Culture, Compassion, and Excellence**, the new plan has the following strategies:

1. Sustaining and expanding our internal knowledge base
2. Fostering an engaged and collaborative culture
3. Humanizing human services
4. Encouraging advocacy and awareness
5. Fostering innovation and progress
6. Promoting reconciliation and inclusion

To view the full 2024-2027 Strategic Plan, please visit:
<https://www.tbdssab.ca/board/strategic-plan/>



Introducing Manager of Human Resources

Please join us in welcoming Shari MacFayden MacKenzie to the role of Manager – Human Resources.



Shari MacFayden MacKenzie (she/her)

Manager, Human Resources

Shari.Mackenzie@tbdssab.ca, 807-766-4084

Shari's journey at TBDSSAB includes several years as Senior Human Resources Officer, as well as having previously served as Acting Manager, Human Resources for two one-year leave periods.

Shari brings a wealth of leadership expertise to her position, encompassing staffing, labour relations, budget management, performance management, occupational health and safety, accessibility, training, attendance management, staff engagement, pay equity, terminations, and wellness initiatives. Notably, she holds the position of Chair for both the Joint Health and Safety Committee (JHSC) and the Accessibility Table.

Before joining TBDSSAB, Shari held HR roles at Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre and Confederation College.

Board Reports: January 18, 2024

Year 2024 Weighted Assessment Calculation and 2024 Levy Apportionment

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Feedback

We appreciate feedback and comments regarding the content of this newsletter.

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Date: February 13, 2024

Resolution 2024-01: That NOMA endorse the appeals of the Thunder Bay Chamber of Commerce, Confederation College, and Lakehead University regarding the Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada reforms to the International Student Program and that a similar letter be sent to Minister Miller, the Prime Minister, local MPs, MPPs, and opposition parties, Minister Dunlop, FONOM, and member municipal councils with copies to the Chamber, TBCEDC, Confederation College, and Lakehead University.

Background:

Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) recently announced major reforms to the International Student Program that will have significant impacts in our local communities. IRCC has introduced a cap of 360,000 new permits for 2024, a 35% reduction from 2023. While the rationale for this policy change is rooted in understandable concerns around housing and healthcare capacity, the impact of this on communities across Canada should not be underestimated.

Of particular grave immediate concern is IRCC's implementation of a moratorium on student visa processing until March 31, 2024 – the deadline for provinces to introduce a system to manage international student enrolments. This processing moratorium is creating much uncertainty about the outlook for not just September, but even spring enrolment. By halting processing, IRCC is jeopardizing the ability for Confederation College and Lakehead University to attract new students to the region. This is a critical time of year when students across the world decide where they will travel to study and temporarily call their home – a decision that profoundly impacts local businesses and communities. International students are vital contributors to our economy, labour market, and add diversity and vibrancy to communities. International students are vital to the City of Thunder Bay and the whole of northwestern Ontario.

Lakehead University currently has over 1,800 students studying in undergraduate and graduate degree programs at its Thunder Bay campus. This achievement is the result of a deliberate and responsible multi-year internationalization strategy to grow their international student population to 20% of total enrolment, or 2,000 students, by 2025. This strategy is focused on diversifying the student population in Northern Ontario, helping to offset declining regional demographics while attracting highly skilled talent into the region to support ongoing economic diversification in Northern Ontario.

International students contribute \$22B to the Canadian economy and the financial repercussions these caps are going to have will negatively impact NOMA communities. Over the past five years over 2,000 international students have graduated from Lakehead University, with 23% continuing to live and work in Ontario, including 11% in northwestern Ontario. The economic impact of Lakehead University in Northwestern Ontario is \$2.4B. In 2021, international student spending generated \$14.5 million in added income for our regional economy and active alumni at Confederation College generated an additional \$12.2 million. It is

estimated that 55% of international students remain in the region after finishing their time at Confederation College. The change could result in a 50% reduction in international enrollment at Confederation College. Confederation College anticipates the estimated financial impact of the changes to this year's enrolment alone will be \$7.5 Million. The economic impact for our region will also be compounded as Confederation College will be unable to run some programs as student numbers are reduced. A loss of this scale will jeopardize the ability for the college and university to deliver key programs and courses, which will not just impact international students but all students in northwestern Ontario and create a real challenge for our communities.

Recommendation:

WHEREAS that the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) recognizes the Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) recent announcement regarding major reforms to the International Student Program will likely have significant impacts to our economy, local communities, our labour market, and regional diversity.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT NOMA endorse the appeals of the Thunder Bay Chamber of Commerce, Confederation College, and Lakehead University regarding the Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada reforms to the International Student Program.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT NOMA send a letter to the IRCC to reconsider the current approach to the cap on international student permits and participate in open dialogue with NOMA, Lakehead University, Confederation College, the Thunder Bay Chamber of Commerce, and other key stakeholders to explore solutions that recognize the unique challenges faced by institutions in northern regions.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT a copy of this motion be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Minister of Immigration, Refugees & Citizenship Marc Miller, MP Patty Hajdu - Thunder Bay - Superior North, MP Marcus Powlowski – Thunder Bay - Rainy River, MP Eric Melillo – Kenora, Minister of Colleges and Universities Jill Dunlop, MPP Greg Rickford Kenora – Rainy River, MPP Kevin Holland – Thunder Bay - Atikokan, MPP Lise Vaugeois - Thunder Bay - Superior North, Lakehead University, Confederation College, Thunder Bay Chamber of Commerce, Thunder Bay Community Economic Development Commission, Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, the leaders of the opposition parties of Ontario, and all Clerks and CAOs of NOMA.

Moved By: Norm Gale, Thunder Bay City Manager

Seconded By: Jason Young, Mayor of Atikokan

CARRIED



President



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February 15, 2024

The Honourable Marc Miller
Minister of Immigration, Refugees & Citizenship
3175 Saint-Jacques Street
Montréal, Quebec H4C 1G7
Via email: Marc.Miller@parl.gc.ca

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau
Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2
Via email: justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

Re: International Student Cap to Impact Economic Growth in Northern Ontario

Dear Marc Miller,

On behalf of the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA), I am reaching out to express our concerns regarding the federal cap on international student permits and its potential implications for Northwestern Ontario. NOMA endorses the appeals of Lakehead University, Confederation College, Thunder Bay Chamber of Commerce, and Thunder Bay Community Economic Development Commission regarding the Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada reforms to the International Student Program.

Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) recently announced major reforms to the International Student Program that will have significant impacts in our local communities. IRCC has introduced a cap of 360,000 new permits for 2024, a 35% reduction from 2023. While the rationale for this policy change is rooted in understandable concerns around housing and healthcare capacity, the impact of this on communities across Canada should not be underestimated.

Of immediate concern is IRCC's implementation of a moratorium on student visa processing until March 31, 2024 – the deadline for provinces to introduce a system to manage international student enrolments. This processing moratorium is creating much uncertainty about the outlook for not just September, but also spring enrolment. By halting processing, IRCC is jeopardizing the ability for Confederation College and Lakehead University to attract new students to the region. International students are vital contributors to our economy, labour market, and add diversity and vibrancy to communities. International students are vital to the City of Thunder Bay and the whole of Northwestern Ontario, and this move will have profound impacts on local businesses and communities.

Lakehead University currently has over 1,800 students studying in undergraduate and graduate degree programs at its Thunder Bay campus. This achievement is the result of a deliberate and responsible multi-year internationalization strategy to grow their international student population to 20% of total enrolment, or 2,000 students, by 2025. This strategy is focused on diversifying the student population in Northern Ontario, helping to offset declining regional demographics

while attracting highly skilled talent into the region to support ongoing economic diversification in Northern Ontario.

International students contribute \$22B to the Canadian economy and the financial repercussions these caps are going to have will negatively impact NOMA communities. Over the past five years over 2,000 international students have graduated from Lakehead University, with 23% continuing to live and work in Ontario, including 11% in northwestern Ontario. The economic impact of Lakehead University in Northwestern Ontario is \$2.4B. In 2021, international student spending generated \$14.5 million in added income for our regional economy and active alumni at Confederation College generated an additional \$12.2 million. It is estimated that 55% of international students remain in the region after finishing their time at Confederation College. The change could result in a 50% reduction in international enrollment at Confederation College. Confederation College anticipates the estimated financial impact of the changes to this year's enrolment alone will be \$7.5 Million. A loss of this scale will jeopardize the ability for the college and university to deliver key programs and courses, which will not just impact international students but all students in northwestern Ontario and create a real challenge for our communities.

We urge the IRCC to reconsider the current approach to the cap on international student permits and participate in open dialogue with NOMA, Lakehead University, Confederation College, the Thunder Bay Chamber of Commerce, and other key stakeholders to explore solutions that recognize the unique challenges faced by institutions in northern regions.

We appreciate your time and please do not hesitate to reach out to discuss this matter further.

Sincerely,



Wendy Landry,
President, Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association

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Premier Doug Ford
MP Patty Hajdu - Thunder Bay - Superior North
MP Marcus Powlowski – Thunder Bay - Rainy River
MP Eric Melillo – Kenora
Minister of Colleges and Universities Jill Dunlop
MPP Greg Rickford Kenora – Rainy River
MPP Kevin Holland – Thunder Bay - Atikokan
MPP Lise Vaugeois - Thunder Bay - Superior North
Lakehead University
Confederation College
Thunder Bay Chamber of Commerce
Thunder Bay Community Economic Development Commission
Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities
Leaders of the opposition parties of Ontario
Clerks and CAOs of NOMA

February 1, 2024

The Honourable Marc Miller
Minister of Immigration, Refugees & Citizenship
Via email: Marc.Miller@parl.gc.ca

Dear Minister Miller:

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT CAP WILL IMPACT ECONOMIC GROWTH IN THUNDER BAY AND NORTHERN ONTARIO

The Thunder Bay Chamber of Commerce and the Thunder Bay Community Economic Development Commission work closely on efforts to enhance our local economic environment. We are informing you of our concerns regarding the profound consequences of the recently announced international student cap for the Thunder Bay region. We strongly believe in the need for an exemption from these changes for Thunder Bay and other communities participating in the Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot program.

Labour shortages in Thunder Bay and across Northern Ontario are well-documented. Our communities are experiencing a population decline fueled by natural aging, low fertility rates, a rising life expectancy and an increase of out-migration. Population and migration trends suggest Northern Ontario needs 50,000 newcomers by 2041 to sustain current population levels and our labour needs. The Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot program was created to recognize the severe challenges faced by rural and northern communities across the country, including in the five largest cities in Northern Ontario.

International students are crucial in addressing our population declines and adding diversity and vitality to Thunder Bay. Small and large businesses depend on international students to fill front-line positions that might otherwise go vacant. We are deeply concerned that applying a uniform approach to the international student cap could lead to heightened labour shortages in the region, negatively impacting businesses and posing increased barriers to economic development opportunities in the short and long term.

The negative impact of the international student cap on the success of Confederation College and Lakehead University will reverberate across our region. International students are a vital financial contributor to our post-secondary institutions, building capacity that assures a breadth of academic programming that aligns with the needs of local industries. A reduction in international student enrollment will result in reduced program offerings that will limit the availability of locally trained, skilled workers to ensure local and regional businesses can grow and succeed.

We also anticipate negative consequences to Thunder Bay's Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot program (RNIP) resulting from the cap on international student permits. To date, the majority of local RNIP recommendations have been granted to recent international student graduates. Should the program be made permanent, the student cap could also limit the pool of candidates who are interested in staying in Thunder Bay and Northwestern Ontario. Recruitment of individuals already in Thunder Bay and the region is timelier and has a greater chance of long-term success given the candidates are already integrated into the community. We have had great success in the Pilot and look forward to the program being made permanent.

We acknowledge a housing crisis across the country, however not all communities are experiencing the same levels of concern. Thunder Bay has made significant progress in surpassing its housing start goals in 2023 and expects to remain on track over the coming years.

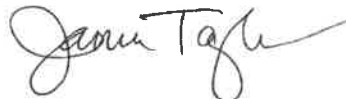
The message that has been sent to the world regarding Canada's cap on international students works directly against all our investments and efforts in newcomer attraction for Thunder Bay and our region. In recognition of the instrumental role that international students play in addressing population decline, labour shortages, and the availability of essential educational programming for our region, we ask that the Federal Government implement an exemption to the international student cap for Thunder Bay and all communities that participated in the Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot program.

We have enclosed letters from Confederation College and Lakehead University and are in support of their messages.

Sincerely,



Charla Robinson, President
Thunder Bay Chamber of Commerce



Jamie Taylor, CEO
Thunder Bay Community Economic
Development Commission

Enclosure: Letter President Kathleen Lynch, Confederation College
Letter President Gillian Siddall, Lakehead University

- c. The Hon. Patty Hajdu, MP, Thunder Bay-Superior North, Minister responsible for the Federal Economic Development Agency for Northern Ontario, Minister of Indigenous Services
- Marcus Powlowski, MP, Thunder Bay-Rainy River
- Kevin Holland, MPP, Thunder Bay-Atikokan
- Lise Vaugeois, MPP, Thunder Bay-Superior North
- Mayor & Council, City of Thunder Bay



January 29, 2024

RE: Reforms to the International Student Program

I want to draw your attention to the major reforms to the International Student Program recently announced by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) and the significant impacts they could have in our local community.

IRCC has introduced a cap of 360,000 new permits for 2024, a 35% reduction from 2023. While the rationale for this policy change is rooted in understandable concerns around housing and healthcare capacity, the impact of this on communities across Canada should not be underestimated. International students are vital contributors to our economy, our labour market and add diversity and vibrancy to communities from coast to coast to coast. I know you understand how important international students are to our community and to northwestern Ontario. The impact of this in Ontario could be a 50% reduction in international enrollment at Confederation College. Our college has developed additional housing, has a wide range of supports in place for all students and have gradually grown our international enrollment to ensure we can responsibly meet students' needs and continue to offer the breadth of programming that benefits our communities. Without this enrollment we do not have sufficient domestic enrollment to sustain our programming.

Of particular grave immediate concern is IRCC's implementation of a moratorium on student visa processing until March 31, 2024 – the deadline for provinces to introduce a system to manage international student enrolments. This processing moratorium is creating much uncertainty about the outlook for not just September, but even spring enrolment. Put bluntly, by halting processing, IRCC is jeopardizing our ability to attract new students to the region. This is a critical time of year when students across the world decide where they will travel to study and temporarily call their home – a decision that profoundly impacts local businesses and communities. Right now, the situation is generating significant concerns and anxiety here at the college and we know that students and staff are worried.

As you know, Thunder Bay and our region have benefited from the influx of international students. They work part-time, filling jobs where no current labour pool exists due to our aging population. They also are filling the majority of permanent positions through the Regional Northern Immigration Pilot program. They meet an urgent need for PSWs, Early Childhood Educators, Practical Nurses, and technological positions in civil, electrical, and mechanical engineering as well as manufacturing. We are seeing a growth in international students in trades training as well. I know you are fully aware of the need for human resources in healthcare, social services, and mining industries.

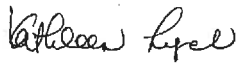
International students contribute \$22B to the Canadian economy and the financial repercussions these caps are going to have will negatively impact our community. In 2021, international student spending generated \$14.5 million in added income for our regional economy. As well, it is estimated that 55% of international students remain in the region after finishing their time at Confederation College. These active alumni generated \$12.2 million in added income for the regional economy, in the same year.

We anticipate the estimated financial impact of the changes to this year's enrolment alone will be \$7.5 Million. It is also anticipated that this will result in significant job losses at our college. The economic impact for our region will also be compounded as our college will be unable to run some programs as student numbers are reduced. This will result in fewer program offerings for Canadian students and will hinder the college sector's ability to respond to the needs of local employers. Although this is a 2-year freeze, international students study for 2 years so this reduction will impact the College and our communities for 4 years.

The financial impact of the cap will result in real challenges to our community. A loss of this scale will jeopardize our ability to deliver key programs and courses, which will not just impact international students but all students in northwestern Ontario.

Thank you for your time and consideration and I look forward to working together on ensuring that our communities continue to thrive.

Sincerely,



Kathleen Lynch, MSW
President



Lakehead
UNIVERSITY

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

January 30, 2024

RE: Reform to the International Student Program

As President of Lakehead University, I am reaching out to express our deep concerns regarding the federal cap on international student permits and its potential ramifications for our institution and the broader Northwestern Ontario region.

Lakehead University currently has over 1,800 students studying in undergraduate and graduate degree programs at its Thunder Bay campus. This achievement is the result of a deliberate and responsible multi-year internationalization strategy to grow our international student population to 20% of total enrolment, or 2,000 students, by 2025. This strategy is focused on diversifying the student population in Northern Ontario, helping to offset declining regional demographics while attracting highly-skilled talent into the region to support ongoing economic diversification in Northern Ontario.

Impact on Lakehead University

Lakehead University, a key pillar in the educational and economic landscape of Northwestern Ontario, is facing significant challenges due to this policy. The cap severely restricts our ability to attract international students, essential for maintaining the diversity and vitality of our academic community. This situation is particularly concerning given our ongoing struggles with capped tuition rates in Ontario and reduced operational grants, which together threaten our financial security.

Regional Economic and Demographic Concerns

The economic impact of Lakehead University in Northwestern Ontario is \$2.4B. As the second-largest employer in the region, Lakehead University plays a crucial role in Northwestern Ontario's economic output. The potential decrease in international student enrolment not only affects our institution but also has wider economic implications for Thunder Bay and Northwestern Ontario. Furthermore, the policy could exacerbate existing demographic challenges, including a declining population and labour supply in the north, hindering our efforts to revitalize the region.

Value of International Students

The diversity of talents, skills, and cultures that international students bring is invaluable to our campus and the local community. By encouraging these students to plant roots in the north, we

contribute to a dynamic and multicultural regional ecosystem, fostering innovation and cultural exchange. Over the past five years over 2,000 international students have graduated from Lakehead, with 23% continuing to live and work in Ontario, including 11% in northwestern Ontario.

Significant Unanswered Questions and Need for Consultation

The introduction of this cap raises several significant unanswered questions that necessitate thorough consultation with the educational sector and a nuanced understanding of regional issues. These include considerations around the redistribution of student enrolment to smaller provinces, the capacity of these regions to absorb potential increases in student numbers, re-evaluations of the requirements to become a Designated Learning Institution (DLI), and the need for greater transparency in the study permit approval process. Furthermore, we seek clarity on the implications for spousal work permit renewals and the eligibility criteria for post-graduation work permits for master's and graduate-level program graduates. Addressing these questions is crucial for institutions like ours to plan effectively and continue contributing to our communities.

Request for Policy Reconsideration

We urge the IRCC to reconsider the current approach to the cap on international student permits. A more measured and consultative implementation would allow institutions like Lakehead University to adapt our strategies effectively, ensuring that we can continue to contribute to the academic excellence and economic vitality of Northwestern Ontario. We seek an open dialogue with the IRCC to explore solutions that recognize the unique challenges faced by institutions in northern regions.

Lakehead University is committed to providing an enriching and inclusive educational environment for students from around the globe. We believe that with constructive engagement, we can find a balanced approach that supports the interests of Canadian post-secondary institutions and the communities they serve.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to the opportunity to discuss this further and to work collaboratively towards a mutually beneficial resolution.

Sincerely,



Dr. Gillian Siddall
President and Vice-Chancellor

Date: January 17, 2024

at Red Rock Public Library and via Zoom

Present: A. Lockwood, C. Hendricken, M. Young, J. Boudreau, M. Smith

Remotely present: none

Regrets: D. Maidment

Secretary: N. Carrier

CALL TO ORDER

4:55 pm, A. Lockwood, Chairperson

LAND RECOGNITION

“THE RED ROCK PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE ARE ON THE TRADITIONAL TERRITORY OF THE ROBINSON-SUPERIOR TREATY AND THAT THE LAND WE GATHER ON IS HOME TO THE RED ROCK INDIAN BAND, THE ANISHNAABEK AND THE METIS PEOPLE.”

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion 1

Moved by M. Young, seconded by J. Boudreau, and carried:

That the Board of the Red Rock Public Library approves the agenda of the January 17, 2024 meeting as presented.

CONFLICT OF PECUNIARY INTEREST DISCLOSURES

- none declared

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion 2

Moved by M. Smith, seconded by A. Lockwood, and carried:

That the Board approves the minutes of the last regular board meeting of December 12, 2023.

BUSINESS ARISING

- none

CORRESPONDENCE [AND COMMUNICATION]

- FOPL email (December 6th, 2023, which includes 2 documents)
 - OLA & FOPL Growth Advocacy Priorities
 - FOPL Ontario Digital Public Library – Briefing Note

CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

- A. Lockwood, Chairperson, discussed concerns on incomplete snow shovelling affecting patrons not being able to access library. CEO confirmed with Board that notification and communication has occurred with CAO.
- A. Lockwood, Chairperson, engaged Board in a discussion on library accessibility, specifically the need for automatic Library entrance doors. Council Rep, M. Smith, acknowledged discussion at council level concerning these issues, including Library entrance stairway.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

CHEQUE REGISTER(S)

Motion 3.

Moved by C. Hendricken, seconded by M. Smith, and carried:

That the Board approves payment of accounts on cheques 1186 – 1189 for the amount of \$6969.69 and dated January 15, 2024 and January 16, 2024.

CEO REPORT

- Detail on library operations including circulation, programming and service statistics for the month of December 2023.

STRATEGIC PLAN, PROGRESS AND MONITORING

- Past meeting on December 13th at 10 am to discuss Mission, Vision, Values
- Upcoming Meeting on January 10th at 10 am to discuss Vision Statement and Values

OTHER BUSINESS and COMMITTEE REPORTS

- none

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday February 13, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. in the library meeting room and via Zoom

ADJOURNMENT

Motion 4.

Moved by A. Lockwood, seconded by C. Hendricken, and carried:

That the Board meeting be adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

**The Corporation of the Township of Red Rock
Community Development Office Report**

Date: February 20, 2023

To: Mayor and Council

Subject: Community Development Office Council Report

Submitted by: Ashley Davis, Community Development Officer

BACKGROUND:

January 11, 2024 – February 15, 2024

DISCUSSION:

This report is for information only and provides Council with an update on the activities within the office of Community Development Officer.

Please feel free to ask any questions that you may have.

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY:

- 1) ICIP Culture – Recreation Centre Rehabilitation Project – Continuing work with JML Engineering – roofing portion over Brompton Entrance completed. Remainder of work to be re-tendered in January with project award early March with work expected to begin early April 2024. 7 attendees to Mandatory Site Visit held February 6, 2024.
- 2) Active Transportation Fund – final report completed and submitted. Project Complete.
- 3) ICIP COVID Resiliency – Final project close out reporting.
- 4) Community Interpretation Plan –Draft Foundations Report reviewed and send back for further revisions.
- 5) NOHFC Rural Enhancement Stream - project awarded and announced. Work completed and ice plant startup completed. Claim and report submitted. Waiting on claim payment.
- 6) Ontario Trillium Foundation Capital Stream application – Gymnasium Floor – currently working on application to be submitted before March 6, 2024. 100% funded.
- 7) NORDS – Bridge 1 Repair – Managing budget, project documents and reporting to funders.
- 8) Joint Community Safety and Wellbeing Plan – updated draft on sent to core group for review, as well as to SOLGEN for compliance. Once the draft has been reviewed, the Core group will meet and prepare to bring to Council's for acceptance. Each Council will have to accept the plan and terms of reference to meet SOLGEN's requirements. The CSWB Committee then operates as a Committee of Council.
- 9) Mr. Figliomeni and I with the Rock Teck/Imagine Lithium team and a CMIF program officer regarding their Stream 1 application. The program focuses on mine-site/extraction site development and not processing or market access. Therefore, the Red Rock Trout Creek Bridge replacement design is not eligible under this project. I am currently exploring other funding options for the report development.

- 10) Working with the SGDSB team on the enhancements to Frost Street in front of the high school
- 11) Waterfront Development Technical Design Report – working on funding application and RFP development
- 12) Tourism Growth Fund – working on an application and RFP development for a Dock Inspection Report to cover dock repairs and upgrades
- 13) Continuing work with Energy Reporting Requirements
- 14) Continuing work on Asset Management requirements with PSD
- 15) Working with Superior Country in preparation for Cruise Ships for the 2024 season.
- 16) Attended regional trails meetings
- 17) Strategic Plan Implementation – continuing to monitor progress and work on components.
- 18) Participating in webinars pertaining to professional development
- 19) Continuing with required reporting and claim submissions on all active projects
- 20) Continued communication and collaboration with local and regional organizations for partnership opportunities, provide input and stakeholder relations.
- 21) Review previous reports for supporting documentation for current and future funding opportunities and attend webinars and information sessions on current funding opportunities to determine eligibility and feasibility (if the Township has the required data or reports demonstrating need for projects)
- 22) Continuing to prepare documentation, research various component costs for projects and RFP's, provide status reports to funders, submit claims to funders for expenses related to projects, monitor project timelines and budgets and final reporting to funders for completed projects.

MONITORING SITUATIONS:

- 1) Community Emergency Preparedness Grant – awaiting funding response
- 2) Golden Club Van – providing support as needed
- 3) Red Rock Historical Society Digitization Project – providing support as needed.
- 4) Waiting for approval for Celebrate Canada – spring 2024
- 5) Waiting on approval on summer student applications – spring 2024

DIRECTION / DISCUSSION / UPDATES:

- 1) N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) N/A

Ashley Davis
Submitted by

Mark Figliomeni
Approved by:

**The Corporation of the Township of Red Rock
Fire Chief Report**

Date: February 15, 2024
To: Mayor and Council
Subject: Chief Fire Official Report
Submitted by: Ryan Pitre Chief Fire Official

BACKGROUND:

December 1, 2023 – January 31, 2024

DISCUSSION:

This report is for information only and provides Council with an update on the activities within the office of the Chief Fire Official.

Please feel free to ask any questions that you may have and reach out at any time.

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY:

- **Mail, Email, Phone Calls, Training and responding to emergencies**
 - **Vehicle/Equipment and hall monthly maintenance.**
 - **Monitoring the weekly Duty Crew and making sure all equipment is in good working order and ready to go at all times**
 - **Working on a fee's bylaw for the Fire Dept**
 - **Working on the training plan for 2024**
 - **Obtaining quotes for upgrading equipment and apparatus in the fire service**
 - **Obtaining quote and information from Fire Marquee to recoup cost for fire service attending incidents**
 - **Working on driver certification program for our fire dept**
 - **Discussions with other Fire Chief's in the area regarding joint training**
 - **Continue conversations with my OFMEM Advisor regarding the training**
 - **Applied for a learning contract for fire dept**
 - **On going of updating all Fire Dept Operational Guidelines and implementing new guideline to pertain to the Fire Service in Red Rock**
 - **Ongoing discussions with fire dispatch to discuss changes that can help with fire service**
 - **Submitting the SIR (Standard Incident Reports)**
 - **Updated fire dept members files with training records**
 - **Pumper #1 and #2 have completed their annual safety, just waiting on equipment van to be completed**
 - **Collected and updated fire dept emergency contacts**
 - **Apply for years of service medals and bars for members**
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Fire Chiefs Official Hour to date as of January 31, 2024: 46
Fire Chiefs Hour for 2023: 516

MONTHLY TRAINING:

December 4, 2024
SCBA
13 Members

January 8, 2024
PPE and SCBA
12 Members

January 22, 2024
Compartment/Equipment Refresher
15 Members

Call Outs

There were 3 calls for service this reporting period

Total Calls for the year 2023: 21
Total Calls to Date 2024: 2

DIRECTION / DISCUSSION / UPDATES:

Verbal update will be provided.

RECOMENDATIONS

Chief, Deputy and Officers recommend Larry Margarit be appointed probationary Firefighter

Liam Stenlund has stepped down from the fire department, all members want to thank Liam for his service, dedication and helping our community.



Ryan Pitre
Submitted by

Mark Figliomeni
Approved by:

RED ROCK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT



To: Mayor and Council
From: Ryan Pitre, Fire Chief
Re: Training Request
Date: February 15, 2024

Fire Chief recommend that the following members attend the Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs conference in Mississauga on May 1-4, 2024.

- **Fire Chief Pitre**
- **Deputy Chief or Officer**

"Igniting Innovation in Fire and Emergency Services."

Join us May 1 - 4, 2024 for the 2024

O AFC Conference and Trade Show!

Registration for conference opens the week of January 29th

The Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs (O AFC) annual conference provides educational programs that are geared to everyone working in fire and emergency services, or a related sector. Our 2024 schedule offers programs that focus on professional development to specific areas of the fire service. Year after year, the Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs Conference and Trade Show has proven that it is the must-attend event for fire and emergency services in Canada!

Total estimated cost unknown at this time but will be slated to come out of the fire department training budget.

If you have any other questions or require more detail, please feel free to contact me.

Thank You

Ryan Pitre
Fire Chief
Township of Red Rock

**The Corporation of the Township of Red Rock
Administrative Report**

Date: February 20th, 2024
To: Mayor and Council
Subject: CAO Activity Report
Submitted by: Mark Figliomeni – CAO/Clerk/Treasurer

BACKGROUND:

February 6th, 2024 – February 20th, 2024

DISCUSSION:

This report is for information only and provides Council with an update on the activities within Administration & the office of the CAO/Clerk/Treasurer.

Please feel free to ask any questions that you may have and reach out at any time.

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY:

Day to Day Operations- General Discussions & Meetings – Residents & Stakeholders.

Bi-Weekly Internal Staff / Team Meetings / Discussions.

Meeting – MPAC – Valuations – February 6th, 2024.

Meeting – Update – WPCP – Projections – Completion Date - February 14th, 2024.

This is a summary of some of the activity within Administration & the Office of the CAO/Clerk/Treasurer. We continue to build and grow as a Team and as a Community that is striving to move forward. This is our major focus and ultimately part of our overall vision for Red Rock both now and in the future.

ATTACHMENTS:

N/A

MONITORING SITUATIONS:

***Continue to set internal policies and procedures based on overall best practice within the Municipal Act.**

DIRECTION / DISCUSSION / UPDATES:

***TBDML Conference – February 29th – March 1st 2024 – Nipigon.**

***NOMA Conference – April 24th- 26th 2024 – Thunder Bay.**

***Red Rock Hockey – Councillor Muir**

***MOI – Virtual Delegation – February 23rd. 2024**

**The Corporation of the Township of Red Rock
Administrative Report**

Date: February 20th, 2024
To: Mayor and Council
Subject: Surplus Properties – Status Change
Submitted by: Mark Figliomeni – CAO/Clerk/Treasurer

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council approve by resolution the status change of the three (3) listed properties.

The properties will no longer be listed as Surplus with the Township of Red Rock.

BACKGROUND:

These three (3) properties were declared surplus by the Township in the past.

1. 10 Rankin Street
2. PCL 12300 HWY 628
3. 51 Salls Street

DISCUSSION:

Verbal update from the CAO.

ATTACHMENTS:

N/A

**The Corporation of the Township of Red Rock
Administrative Report**

Date: February 20th, 2024
To: Mayor and Council
Subject: 2024 – Water & Sewer Rates
Submitted by: Mark Figliomeni – CAO/Clerk/Treasurer

RECOMMENDATION:

Administration recommends the five (5) % increase for 2024 as per the Rate Study performed in 2021 by the Township of Red Rock.

At this time this report is for discussion only and to seek further direction to bring back a resolution next meeting to be passed by Council.

BACKGROUND:

In 2021 the Township of Red Rock undertook a study based on the cash flow and financial position of the Water & Sewage treatment plants covering the calendar years of 2021-2041.

DISCUSSION:

Verbal update from the CAO.

ATTACHMENTS:

Two (2)

1. 2024 Proposed Rates
2. Water & Sewer Costing Structure Projections

2024 Proposed Water Increases

Residential

	Current Rate	3% Increase	5% Increase	7.5% Increase	10% Increase	12.5% Increase	15% Increase
Base Rate (Monthly)	\$ 56.60	\$ 58.30	\$ 59.43	\$ 60.85	\$ 62.26	\$ 63.68	\$ 65.09
Consumption Rate	\$ 2.44	\$ 2.51	\$ 2.56	\$ 2.62	\$ 2.68	\$ 2.75	\$ 2.81
Base Rate (Quarterly)	\$ 169.80	\$ 174.89	\$ 178.29	\$ 182.54	\$ 186.78	\$ 191.03	\$ 195.27

Multi-Residential

	Current Rate	3% Increase	5% Increase	7.5% Increase	10% Increase	12.5% Increase	15% Increase
Base Rate (Monthly per unit)	\$ 27.09	\$ 27.90	\$ 28.44	\$ 29.12	\$ 29.80	\$ 30.48	\$ 31.15
Consumption Rate	\$ 2.44	\$ 2.51	\$ 2.56	\$ 2.62	\$ 2.68	\$ 2.75	\$ 2.81
Base Rate (Quarterly)	\$ 81.27	\$ 83.71	\$ 85.33	\$ 87.37	\$ 89.40	\$ 91.43	\$ 93.46

Commercial

	Current Rate	3% Increase	5% Increase	7.5% Increase	10% Increase	12.5% Increase	15% Increase
Base Rate (Monthly)	\$ 119.22	\$ 122.80	\$ 125.18	\$ 128.16	\$ 131.14	\$ 134.12	\$ 137.10
Consumption Rate	\$ 2.44	\$ 2.51	\$ 2.56	\$ 2.62	\$ 2.68	\$ 2.75	\$ 2.81
Base Rate (Quarterly)	\$ 357.66	\$ 368.39	\$ 375.54	\$ 384.48	\$ 393.43	\$ 402.37	\$ 411.31

**The Corporation of the Township of Red Rock
Administrative Report**

Date: February 20th, 2024
To: Mayor and Council
Subject: Arena – Ice Removal 2024
Submitted by: Mark Figliomeni – CAO/Clerk/Treasurer

RECOMMENDATION:

That the last day of ice usage is Saturday March 16th, 2024 for the season. This allows for usage during the March Break.

DISCUSSION:

Verbal update from the CAO.

ATTACHMENTS:

N/A
