

A tribute to Queen Elizabeth II celebrating 70 years as monarch This photo was taken of Christopher Macdonell, of Apple Hill, as he and his band members of the Royal Scots Dragoon Guards, Pipes and Drums band were just about to start playing. In moments they would be marching past the Queen and her family. Rebecca Macdonell Photo

Apple Hill native pipes for Queen Elizabeth II

Joseph Morin Record Staff

APPLE HILL – We are all at one time or another connected by surprising circumstance. Christopher Macdonell, originally from Apple Hill is no exception. "I am in the military, I serve in the Royal Scots Dragoon Guards, but I am also a member of the Regiment's Pipes and Drums which is comprised of all serving members," he said.

What a weekend in Chesterville! Carolyn Thompson Goddard Record Staff The "new" town square, at the corner of King and Main, was a beehive of activit

CHESTERVILLE – It was quite the weekend in Chesterville, as Art on The Waterfront celebrated their 10th anniversary on June 4 and 5, which was initially delayed due to the pandemic.

The opening ceremonies began with Piper Hugh Metcalfe piping Scotland the Brave. Cheryl Beasley expressed thanks to the fantastic volunteers, amazing sponsors that included Optimal Show Experience, Lisa Buma, Hugh Metcalfe and The Gathering House as well as the amazing support from the township of North Dundas. North Dundas Mayor Tony Fraser, accompanied by councillors Gary Annable and Theresa Bergeron, commented on the high level of enthusiasm for the event and the fortitude of the organizing committee.

The "new" town square, at the corner of King and Main, was a beehive of activity Saturday and Sunday with many activities available for people of all ages. Youngsters were able to enjoy performances by Junkyard Symphony and Imaginary Gary, participate in colouring contests, face painting and chalk art.

the Rotary Gazebo in Chesterville. Tickets are \$5 each and available from Rotary members.

Three classes from Nationview Public School

will be in attendance for

the ceremony and then participating in some

pollination activities

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The Chesterville Rotary

Club will be holding the

Peter Van Kessel

Memorial Duck Draw on

Sat., June 25 at 1 p.m. at

afterwards.

Duck Draw



On Feb. 6, Queen Elizabeth II became the very first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee. The Queen is celebrating 70 years of service to people in the United Kingdom, the Commonwealth and the Realms.

To mark the occasion, a number of events were planned throughout England including Canada.

In England there were a number of special events Continued on page 6 F -----8 ---- ----

The Gathering House provided people attending the event with an opportunity to enjoy a cup of coffee and visit with friends and family. A model train show provided by the Seaway Valley Model Railroaders and the Titanic Display from the Chesterville Rotary Club were held inside The Gathering House over the weekend.

Watching the model trains circling the miniature trees, people and buildings in the display is always an enjoyable experience. Continued on page 3



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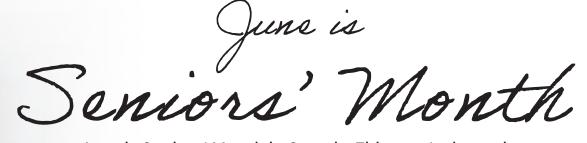
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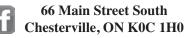






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The people of SDSG have spoken

Carolyn Thompson Goddard Record Staff

CORNWALL - Within an hour of the polls closing at 9 p.m. on June 2, Nolan Quinn, Progressive Conservative Party candidate was declared elected as the new Member of Provincial Parliament for the riding of Stormont, Dundas and South Glengarry.

Unofficial results from the Elections Ontario website show Nolan received 40,766 or 57.50 per cent of the votes cast, with Kirsten Gardner, Ontario Liberal Party candidate receiving 6,456 votes or 17.88 per cent of the votes cast. Voter turnout in the riding was listed at 41.24 per cent.



SDSG MPP elect Nolan Quinn is accompanied by wife Kim, son Nolan Jr., daughters Nevyn and Norah on election night at the Wing House Restaurant in Cornwall.

With his accompanying him, the new MPP for SDSG arrived at cheers, as they made their the Wing House in way to the front of the

Thompson Goddard Photo family Cornwall and was met with a round of applause and

restaurant. During his speech, he thanked his family members, campaign manager Adrian Bugelli, campaign workers, supporters before expressing his thanks to the employees at his business for their work during the campaign. "I'm just excited to be representing our community," commented Quinn.

In a post election interview, Quinn mentioned he is looking forward to representing the people of SDSG and developing relationships with staff and fellow MPPs in the legislature. He mentioned there were challenges that lay ahead, including issues in healthcare, infrastructure, rural education, and longterm care.

When asked about the expansion of Dundas Manor in Winchester, his response was "plans will continue to be worked on, and the project will move forward in



The opportunity to visit with members of the SVMR about their hobby is just a bonus. In another area of The Gathering House, a wonderful exhibit of memorabilia about the sinking of the Titanic and the Chesterville connection to this disaster was provided by the Chesterville Rotary Club and facilitated by Rotarian Betty Vanden Bosch. Included in the display were replica dishes, photos of the Allison family of Chesterville as well as several information boards on the disaster that claimed the lives of three of the four Allison family members.

There was plenty of opportunity to work up an appetite while perusing the event, with the Rotary Club of Chesterville providing a barbecue lunch at the Rotary Gazebo on Saturday. In the Old Town Square on Sunday, the Chesterville & District Lions Club and Simply Baked Catering were onsite providing refreshments for everyone to enjoy while watching the talent show and listening to live music. The Chesterville and District Historical Society provided a display on the life of Queen Elizabeth II who is celebrating her Platinum Jubilee which represents 70 years as our Head of State. On Sunday afternoon following the conclusion of the talent show, Cheryl Beasley brought out a large anniversary cake which was cut and enjoyed by all, as the afternoon music began. A huge thank you is extended to all the organizers, volunteers, musicians and sponsors who worked to provide everyone with a wonderful weekend of amazing activities.



Following the opening ceremonies of the 2022 Art on the Waterfront in Chesterville, volunteers, organizers and invited guests gathered. Thompson Goddard Photo



There was lots of opportunity to view and purchase the work of crafters and artisans

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due time." He mentioned schools are the "heart of the community" in rural Ontario and he realizes the importance these institutions are to the community. As he begins his work as the MPP for the riding, Quinn intends to follow the advice of former SDSG MP Guy

Lauzon of always remembering the constituents. He commented how there will be times when the needs of the province need consideration and always remembering that top priority should be what will be most beneficial to the constituents of SDSG.





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during the Art on the Waterfront in Chesterville. Vendors were set up in the Chesterville ScotiaBank parking lot, portions of Main Street and the lower level of the waterfront. Thompson Goddard Photo

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Members of the Seaway Valley Model Railroaders are shown at their display in The Gathering House during the 2022 Art on The Waterfront event in Chesterville. Thompson Goddard Photo



Getting the message across without yelling

fade, it's a good time to catch your breath.

The last two years have been if nothing else tough. Tough on business, tough on our healthcare system, and tough on every person living in Ontario.

What has become very apparent is that regardless of who is in power, the lack of meaningful and intelligent conversation between the public and the provincial government has become a bit constrained.

As we all look forward to the rest of the summer many non-Conservatives have said there is no point in asking the province for anything, after all they do not need to listen in order to get anything done. However, in the middle of that negative and self-defeating message is a glimmer of what can be done by deciding to work together even when you are on the other side.

nothing back.

A great example of being willing to move forward regardless of any political government, at any level is the right way to

Now that the 2022 provincial election is leanings is the reaction of the Ontario over and all the noise from it is starting to Federation of Agriculture, (OFA) to the recent election.

> The tone of one of their election statements seems to be that they respectfully do not necessarily care which party is in power. They are prepared to work with them and will continue to ask for agricultural issues to be addressed every chance they get.

> One small part of a detailed OFA congratulatory statement to the Ford government stated: "Relationship building and collaboration with government policymakers is vital to ensuring we keep agriculture's priorities at the forefront. As the leading advocacy voice for farmers and their communities at Queen's Park, OFA aims to expand and amplify the economic and social importance of agri-food in Ontario."

The message I get from their statement If you say or ask for nothing you will get is basically congratulations now let's get down to business.

In my mind being upfront with any

go. In telling politicians you have a plan, and are not likely to abandon it, and in this case abandon the agricultural community and industry in Ontario send an unmistakable message.

The message is clear, concise and makes no bones about what farmers, and the agricultural industry in general expects to do about their own industry and that is to protect, nourish, and expand it.

Some of the agricultural issues that come to mind that the province will have to act on include what the OFA refers to as supply chain resiliency. Urban consumers are affected by a weakened supply chain as much as farmers are. How food gets from a farmer's field to a food processor and then to a grocery store and from there to your average urban dinner table is not just a rural issue.

Land preservation is another looming issue, and it should be for non-farmers as well.

Food does not come from some magical kingdom. Whether it is potato chips or the finest roast beef, if you want to eat it you have to first grow it and to do that you need lots of land to grow it on.

Ontario is losing 319 acres of productive farmland every day according to the 2021 Census of Agriculture. The OFA reckons that number is the equivalent of nine family farms every week. The challenge will be getting the province to implement policies that will control unban growth in a fair and reasonable way while protecting the existing productive farmland.

The OFA would like the province to look into securing the province's important infrastructure in rural Ontario like roads and bridges, practical and effective rural broadband as well as access to natural gas.

Naturally, every one of us wants something from the government, and making it clear to the province that rural concerns should be at the top of the list of items to be checked off is the only way to try and get the attention you need.

There is nothing like letting Queen's Park know you are not going away, and that you are not going to be shy about what you want to say including saying loud and clear that you will work with them and expect them to work with you.

Joseph Morin

Great parenting comes with great responsibility

Father's Day is quickly approaching (Sun., June 19) and I've been thinking about it quite a bit. Well, that and Mother's Day (Sun., May 8) too. These two days are meant to honour the dedication, hard work, love, and sacrifice of parents for their children. What if that's not the reality?

My parents love me, and I'm grateful for each one of them (Yes, I have more than one of each). With that said, not everyone has had parents who loved them, let alone dedicated themselves to protecting or providing for them. I feel like not enough attention or acknowledgement is given to the many children with parents who either don't want to be parents or don't

know how to be parents. Why do we celebrate made a ton of mistakes despite reading lots of books, attending courses, and setting an intention to be the best parent I could be. To be fair to me, and to every other parent, I don't believe in perfection as a realistic goal. Considering we're all human, it's simply impossible. We're fallible by nature. However, that doesn't mean we can't try to be as near to perfect as possible.

I think the point of today's editorial is to bring awareness to the fact that there's more to being a parent than being celebrated as one on Mother's Day or Father's Day.

While I was one of the people who spent years thinking about whether to have children and what that might mean or what that might look like for me and my life, I still made mistakes and things did not go as originally planned. And while some of that can

As a parent myself, I've be chalked up to "that's just life," there's also an element of insufficient preparation, not just for becoming a parent but for becoming a functioning adult.

> In retrospect, when my husband and I decided to get pregnant, we both had rather low emotional intelligence quotient (IQ)s. Heck, at the time, I'd never even heard of the term, emotional IQ. I wasn't ready to be a functioning part of society, let alone a good spouse or a good parent. These are things I needed to be learning from the get-go, but it's not even something that was really covered in secondary school. Yes, I learned about how babies are made, and I learned about birth control. I also remember doing the egg project where I had to

real-life examples or stories of all the potential outcomes? Again, inadequate preparation for reality. I could go on, but I have limited space, so I will get to the item I think is most important.

Many of us were never raised or taught to think about why we might want (or not want) to become a parent. To me, this is "the" most important question to ask yourself before deciding to become a parent. Anything we do without genuine forethought is likely not going to turn out well. We owe it to our children to take the time to

truly consider whether this is not only something we want, but also something we can realistically do, and do, at the very least, semiwell.

So, while I'm still all-for saying "great job" to mom or dad – not just on Mother's Day or Father's Day, but any day - I'm suggesting that we, as a society, and as individuals and couples, think about what it means before we take that leap. We aren't buying a car, we're looking at becoming the full-time teacher, emotional support worker, and life guide for another person, and we

won't be trading that child in for a newer version when the mileage is high, we'll be that person's parent for the rest of our lives.

We owe it to our children, and to ourselves, to be sure that we genuinely want (for unselfish reasons) to be a parent before we take on that challenge. And if it is something we genuinely want, then we should do our best to ensure that we're ready for this step because having children is more than a right, it's a privilege and it's a great responsibility.

Sandy Casselman



Mother's Day and Father's Day when we're not spending enough time preparing people to become mothers or fathers?

thing). What about learning how to identify and navigate various emotions? That wasn't something I learned in school or from my parents. What about the psychology of raising a child? Again, not something I learned in school or from my parents. What about

pretend an egg was my

baby (Seriously? Come on.

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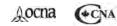
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South Dundas keeps drinking water safe

Sandy Casselman Record Staff

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MORRISBURG – Drinking water at two Municipality of South Dundas parks will soon be safe to drink again following the replacement of UV Systems.

Through a key information report at the May 24 council meeting, the township's manager of facilities, David Jansen, told politicians that due to failures in the UV Systems at both the Williamsburg Recreation Building in the JC Whitteker Park and the Brinston building in the Matilda Memorial Park, he's ordered replacement systems. His report outlined the reasoning behind replacing the systems rather than repairing.

"These replacements were not budgeted for," Jansen said in his report. "However, as emergency repairs to keep safe drinking water at our facilities, staff did move forward with ordering the new UV Systems. The cost of the new UV System is \$2,810.40 plus HST and installation."

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He said that it's the major components that were failing. The cost to repair was roughly 40 to 60 per cent of what it would cost for a new system. He also noted that repairing the systems doesn't guarantee the issue won't reoccur. Jansen said he's worked with Morrisburg Plumbing Centre to find a different UV System.

The Williamsburg system failed on April 6, while the Brinston system failed on May 15. Jansen said that both

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locations saw the main controller and electronics of the system melt some internal components resulting in smoke coming from the machines and the electronics failing. He said the systems have been underperforming and they're costly to maintain. He also noted that the same system was installed at the Dunbar Recreation Hall, as well, but has already been replaced because of issues with the system.

The municipality is required to use a UV System to treat the water, as per the Eastern Ontario Health Unit (EOHU)'s Small Drinking Water System (SDWS) inspection and reports. Jansen said signs have been posted at both locations because while water is still available, it is not being treated and is therefore not safe for consumption.





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The Iroquois-Matilda Lions Club celebrates 75 years

Joseph Morin Record Staff

BRINSTON The _ Iroquois-Matilda Lions Club celebrated a special milestone on Sat., June 4 as the club came together at the Matilda Hall to mark its 75th anniversary of its charter.

The evening featured a presentation about Special Olympics Ontario. Lions Clubs International has been a long-time supporter of the Special Olympics. The program has 18 different sports that are ongoing almost every day of the year. The Lions Club has been supporting the Special Olympics through the Special Olympics Lions Club International Opening Eyes vision-screening program.

Member of parliament Eric Duncan spoke to the crowd of approximately 105 about the impact of Lions not only within Iroquois-Matilda, but their impact globally.

President of the Iroquois-Matilda Lions Club, Carol Thompson began the evening with a brief history of the club.

"Shortly after the Second World War, a group of Iroquois businessmen, who were successful because of their drive, intelligence and ambition wanted to collectively work together and improve their community," said Thompson.

The group managed to secure the Morrisburg-Waddington Lions Club as a sponsor. They applied for a charter to the Lions Club International and were granted one on March 19, 1947.

The original make-up of



All the Lions present at the Iroquois-Matilda Lions Club 75th anniversary, gathered for a group photo.

the club had 27 members, and Lloyd Davis as the charter president. Currently the club has 35 members.

"Several of the original family names are secondgeneration members, the Club also better reflects our community demographic, now having 10 women who carryout duties at all levels within the Club."

Thompson said the Iroquois-Matilda Lions Club remains committed to improving the community it is in.

"The services we extend to our community are reflective of current issues such as hunger and the environment. We continue with legacy projects that have left a lasting imprint on the heart of our community. In the past 10 months, we have conducted 55 service activities; provided services to 2,713 people; contributed 1,677 service hours within our community."

The anniversary celebration was also a good time to present two Lion members with the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award.

Melvin Jones was the

founder of Lions Clubs International and laid the groundwork for the organization at a meeting of men's clubs on June 7, 1917, in Chicago. He challenged the Chicago business community asking, "What if these men, who are successful because of their drive, intelligence and ambition were to put their talents to work improving their communities?"

This fellowship award is the highest form of recognition and embodies humanitarian ideas consistent with the nature and purpose of Lionism.

Thompson said, "Both of our recipients have a long history within the Club and have served in various roles sometimes for a number of terms; committees, again sometimes for a number of terms and have held positions within the club executive. Each of our recipients offer years of experience and knowledge of not only Lions, but our community and career skill sets and their time."

The first recipient is Jacques Asselin. He first joined the club in 1973.

Courtesy Photo

"He has served as the president, past president and membership chair from 2006 to the present. I first met Lion Jacques in 2008 at the South Dundas Seniors' Christmas Concert in this very hall. Lion Jacques has supported our club's community efforts over the years and if you look through our archives you will see his smiling face popping up on many pages doing many incredible tasks."

The second recipient of the award is Steve Wilson.

"He has held the position of president, past president, Club director and of late, the Club treasurer for the past four years," said Thompson.

"Like Lion Jacques, I first met Lion Steve in this very hall at the South Dundas Seniors' Christmas Concert, and funny enough he was welcoming the crowd on behalf of the Iroquois-Matilda Lions.'

The club is a busy one. It has helped with or provided facilities throughout the community. They have provided a band shell and picnic shelter at Iroquois Point; equipment for



Presenting the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award, left to right are Renée Devenny who is the Lions District A4 governor, Jacques Asselin and Lions Club president Carol Thompson. Courtesy Photo



Steve Wilson was awarded the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award by Renée Devenny who is the Lions District A4 governor on the left and Carol Thompson Lions Club president on the right. Courtesy Photo

Winchester District Memorial Hospital; equipment for CHEO; air conditioning at Matilda Hall; a shelter at Camp Sheldrick; playgrounds; Legion Branch 370 air conditioning; renovations at Iroquois Civic Centre; South Dundas murals; Galop Canal Park and Iroquois waterfront picnic shelters.

The Iroquois-Matilda Lions Club has also been involved in prescription and grocery deliveries; weekly bingos; Iroquois Village Applefest; St. Patrick's celebrations; theatre performances; Williamsburg Baden Powell Scouts; Farmers' Appreciation Night; Firemens' Appreciation Night; Ladies Nights; Seniors' Christmas Concert Party; chicken BBQs; little libraries; Canada Day celebrations; Iroquois Public School white elephant sale and lunch deliveries; peace poster contest; public speaking and the community garden.

Greg Trizisky recognized with street name sign in Hallville

Joseph Morin Record Staff

WINCHESTER - Greg Trizisky was remembered at the township's May 31 council meeting with a unique memorial street sign with his name on it.

He was the municipality's chief building official for 16 years and passed away four years ago.

The street will be in the new subdivision planned for the village of Hallville.

His wife Fiona said she knew about the presentation, but Greg's children



Apple Hill native pipes for Queen Continued from the front

planned to mark the 70 years of the Queen's reign, including Platinum Jubilee lunches, parties, traditional beacon lighting across the land, special church services and the Trooping the Colour just to name a few Platinum Jubilee events.

Macdonell was a member of the military parade that took part in the Platinum Jubilee Pageant held on Sun., June 5, at the conclusion of the Jubilee weekend celebrations.

"I was a part of a group of massed bands that was made up of different pipe bands from the Scottish regiments of the British Army, we all were playing, various marching sets to march the soldiers in the parade, but when passing the Royalty watching, HRH The Prince of Wales, we played a specific tune written for The Queen for this Jubilee called Diu Regnare," he said. The bagpipe tribute was composed by Stuart Leddell especially for the Platinum Jubilee celebrations and the word Regnare is Latin for "to reign".

did not.

"This was pretty special. My husband was a humble man, and he would not have expected any of this. It is amazing," she said.

She was happy that his coworkers wanted to do this for him.

"They really loved him, and he was good at his job," Fiona said. "He was always there to help people build. If people came in without plans, he would sit them down, and do it. He knew every aspect of it."

She said the children were pretty impressed.

Fiona said various organizations he belonged to honoured him.

"The group, the Golden Triangle chapter of the Ontario Building Officials had created a scholarship fund under his name. The fact that the street name comes four years after he passed is pretty amazing. Four years later and people are still remembering him."

Trizisky was a creative and resourceful professional who was able to come up with novel solutions to various construction challenges.

Erin Trizisky's daughter's partner Chris is holding Greg's grandson Finn, next is daughter Erin, son Jordan, Greg's wife Fiona Carr, daughter Abby, granddaughter Aurora, and daughter Mallory. Morin Photo

He was the chair of the Golden Triangle Chapter of the Ontario Building Officials and was a key part of the team that hosted the 2016 annual meeting and training sessions held in Ottawa.

Calvin Pol the director of planning, building and bylaw enforcement for North Dundas said, "He was well respected by his colleagues, and often organized training sessions for area building officials."

William Kollard of Kollard and Associates in Kemptville worked with Trizisky on a number of projects. At the street name designation presentation he said, "Greg was respected by the local engineers and designers."

Kollard pointed out that Trizisky was keen on safe design and construction.

"He loved to research new products on the market, for their approved use in North Dundas."

Trizisky was able to save the Winchester District Memorial Hospital over \$100,000 in inspection fees, as he was fully qualified by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to do all of their massive renovation and expansion inspections.

Pol said, "Mr. Kollard was the individual who chose to honour Greg by naming the street in Hallville. The street is currently under construction."

Pol explained that a great example of Trizisky's ability to think outside the box work was when he suggested internalizing the wheelchair entrance to a business in downtown Winchester to make it wheelchair accessible.

"He came up with the idea to create an indented entryway that would enable wheelchairs to enter the building. That was just the type of person Greg was, creative and resourceful.

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Macdonell said, "It was a great experience, certainly once in a lifetime.'

Following his interest in the bagpipe, Macdonell attended the Glengarry School of Piping and Drumming, with a grant for tuition from Clan Donald.

He joined the Canadian military.

He explained, "When I left the Canadian Army one of my former bosses gave me a contact to join the British Army. The regiment I chose was based in Scotland so that's how I ended up here."

Macdonell and his wife Rebecca live in Leuchars, Scotland.

London England and the Queen are six hours and 5,322 kilometres from Cornwall.

It is a long journey for a Canadian who loved the bagpipes. Macdonell was born in Cornwall and attended Holy Trinity school. At some point in his life, he was given a Chanter by his aunt, which is the pipe section of the bagpipe; the pipe has holes in it and that is where the melody for the bagpipes is played.

If you want to hear the actual bag pipe tribute for the Queen, go to https://www.stuartliddell.com/diu-regnare

Ride for Dad 2022 arrives in Winchester

Joseph Morin Record Staff

WINCHESTER – This year's Ride for Dad picked up right where it left off before Covid arrived. The big day for motorcycle riders was Sat., June 4.

The ride was first run in 2000 and the Ottawa chapter of Ride for Dad has raised over \$7 million for the fight against prostate cancer.

Tina Gibson, co-chair of the event said it takes around 100 volunteers to make it all work. This was the first normal ride in two years. The Ault Arena in Winchester was packed with more than 700 people as riders from across Eastern Ontario made the ride that began in Ottawa, went to Almonte and Smiths Falls, Spencerville and finally ending at Winchester.

A Kemptville band called Rosewood played away the afternoon on a sound stage donated to the event by Jam Production from Kemptville. The band made up of Herb Cloutier, Peter Johnson and Gord Hartley welcomed the riders with a great musical afternoon. The participants enjoyed a poker run with prizes, great food from several vendors and a look at what eight vendors had for sale inside the arena.

Many riders had fun bringing their own special touch to the ride. A group of 25 motorcyclists from an Ottawa group called The Litas included Jennifer Steiger who was enjoying a day of bachelorette fun. She covered her riding gear with a wedding gown for the occasion as she and her friends took part in the ride. A couple from Ottawa brought their dogs along for the ride, which made for an interesting sight for fellow riders who all stopped to say hello to the dogs.

Best Poker Hand was 4 Kings and was held by Brian Walters of Perth who won a \$2,500 gift certificate from Freedom Harley-Davidson of Ottawa.

The Mystery Poker Hand worth \$1,000 in cash was won by Stuart Finley of Ottawa.

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ride in the tanker but the

remaining four firefighters

firefighters are late and miss

these modes of transport then

they must take their personal

vehicles to a scene. Parking

the pickup truck, which is

currently stored in South

said,

have no place to ride.

Sherrer



The Ride for Dad made the Ault Arena in Winchester its final stop. Among the more than 700 motorcycle riders was Pat and Tony McDermott and their fellow travellers, Valkrie and Nelson the pup. Nelson had his own special spot on the bike and Valkrie has a spacious trailer to ride in. Morin Photo

The top fundraising team took the Brew Donkey package and was Team Wheel Wheel Rock You. They raised close to \$12,000 in pledges. Special mention went to the team's pledge leader, Brent Fishman who contributed a total of \$6,923.

Winchester's Vince Zanbelt raised \$3,610. Dennis Jackson raised \$8,293, Rahul Kochar raised \$6,116.40 while Tony Jones raised \$3,600 and Dwight Delahunt raised \$4,362

The top fundraising teams were Wheel Wheel Rock You with \$11,945.70, Ken's Komrades with \$6,386.90, CMC011 with \$4,859.50, Nav Canada Riders with \$3,102.40, Epiphan Video with \$1,757, and Team Kraken with \$1,690. The 50/50 winning ticket number was 738088 taking

home \$254.50.

The quilt set winning ticket number was 918870.

Winners of the Silent Auction items are in the process of being contacted and the winner of the \$500 gift certificate from Hometown Sports Grill, a random draw from all registered participants is still to be announced.



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Mountain Fire station no. 2 makes plans for small garage addition

Joseph Morin

Record Staff MOUNTAIN _ The Mountain Fire Station number 2 is adding a small garage to its existing building.

At the May 31 North Dundas council meeting, Mountain fire chief Ray Sherrer presented his plan for the garage to council.

The funds required for the building upgrade are around \$150,000, which Sherrer said the station would have to fundraise.

The station has a pickup truck that firefighters regularly use to attend fire calls.

The existing station is home to a pumper and a tanker. There are 11 firefighters who report to the

Growing community strong Carolyn Thompson Goddard Record Staff



Station 2 sub-station at 1650 County Road 1 in Hallville. The new garage would be to the right of the existing station building. **Courtesy Photo**

Mountain, at the Hallville Five firefighters ride in the pumper truck and another two

"If

Station would reduce the chances of firefighters being required to report to the scene in their personal vehicles."

He said community support has already been shown for the project and it is anticipated that fundraising would be undertaken so that there would be no funds required from taxation. Projected timeline for



construction to commence is in spring 2023.

The fire chief asked council for permission to go ahead with planning for the project, and at a minimum, initiate design and cost estimate.

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CRYSLER - Preparing the soil for planting at the new Crysler Community Garden is well underway thanks to the dedicated work of volunteers from the Crysler Community Centre Committee.

Pierre Thibault of the CCC Committee explained

the organization decided earlier this year to create the community garden with vegetables planted with residents assisting by working in the garden and able to reap the harvest throughout the season.

He explained a tarp was placed over the section of the land to clear the area of grass and weeds. On Sat., May 28, volunteers tilled the land, picked stones and rocks from the soil and later that day walkways between the garden beds were established.

Thibault explained there will be a variety of seeds and seedling planted, with a pumpkin patch established to the right of the garden so people are able to choose a pumpkin in the fall. Water is available near the garden at the back of the CCC. There will be no chemicals

Once the garden beds were tilled, volunteers Pierre Thibault, Tiffanie Savoie and Ian Nichols were busy picking stones and rocks from the garden area.

Thompson Goddard Photo

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or raised beds in the garden, with Thibault explaining there is a wish for people to develop connections to the earth while working in the garden.

On the weekend, Larry Begin, owner of Begin's Bounty & Boards and community garden volunteer, put the finishing touches to the garden beds and walkways. Earlier in May, he had attended a community dinner at the CCC which had seedlings for sale, with a portion of the funds raised used to purchase supplies for the community garden.

More information is available from Crysler Community Centre Committee members or the organization's social media sites

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6 p.m.	Bingo		
6:30 p.m.	Amazing Race Check-In for Heats 4,5,6		
7 p.m.	Amazing Race Heats 4,5,6 Start		
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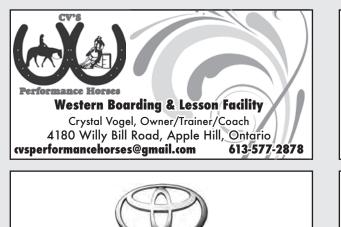
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Cancelled contract leads to procurement policy review in South Dundas worthwhile for us to go to a colleagues that a contract is

Sandy Casselman Record Staff

MORRISBURG – A last minute cancellation of a roadside mowing contract saw Municipality of South Dundas politicians direct staff to include a penalty clause for business owners who break contracts early.

"We need a procurement policy review," Mayor Steven Byvelds said.

During the May 24 council meeting, Jeff Hyndman, the township's director of transportation, asked council to award a tender for roadside grass cutting to Superior Group, the company that is currently contracted for parks and facilities grass cutting. The three-year contract would pay the company \$96 per hour plus HST for the 2022 season with the hourly rate increasing to \$98 for 2023, and to \$100 for 2024. Hyndman said the 2022 budget includes \$45,000 for roadside mowing and weed control. In the end, council voted in favour of a oneyear contract for 2022.

"The previous contractor had one year remaining on his contract but due to the increased fuel costs, which were not present in 2020 when the tender was initially awarded, has declined his services for the 2022 mowing season," Hyndman said in his report.

Byvelds inquired about the numbers in the original contract. Hyndman said the original contractor had been hired in 2020 at \$58 per hour plus HST for that season, and the hourly rate was to rise to roughly \$58.30 in 2021, and then to \$58.75 in 2022.

"Do we have any penalty provisions on our

procurement policy that keeps this person from bidding on contracts for a number of years because it's not fair to us. We budget accordingly," Byvelds said.

Chief administrative officer (CAO) Shannon Geraghty answered the mayor's question. He said the municipality can remove someone from bidding in the future for a period of two to four years. Geraghty also said he's discussed the situation with Hyndman, and they've already looked at potential penalty clauses moving forward, as this contractor's decision was given with too short of notice.

"I'm not happy with this at all. We have to get something in where something like this doesn't happen," Coun. Lloyd Wells said. "When you're lowballing a contract to get it, well, that just doesn't fly. That's not the way contracts work. It's a signed contract. I would send a letter stating this is what you signed."

In addition to adding penalty clauses to contracts, council members also noted that, considering the massive increase in gas prices, they would have been willing to increase the hourly rate for the original contractor if he had come to them and asked. They also said they were no longer comfortable with agreeing to another three-year contract for this type of work.

"I've got to agree with what's been said so far," Coun. Archie Mellan said, adding that if it were up to him, the original contractor would be barred from ever bidding on a contract in South Dundas again. "I think there's got to be some accountability here. There's got to be some way to bind these people in. Is it three-year contract? Probably not because the other guy backed out after two years."

Geraghty reminded council that the new contract is with the contractor who currently takes care of lawn maintenance for the township's parks and facilities. The roadside cutting wouldn't be their only job, but rather an additional service to what they've already been providing for South Dundas. "I do have an issue with

jumping out of the contract," Deputy Mayor Kirsten Gardner said. "While it's the first time that gas versus diesel prices have been this high, it's not the first time, not the first summer we've had a significant jump. These contractors have built that into their agreement knowing that the world is unsteady, and prices can fluctuate. I agree with my

a contract is a contract. We set a budget."

Gardner also pointed out that with the increased cost of the new roadside mowing contract and the budget that's already been set, something is not going to get done because there won't be the money there to do it. Hyndman said he's off-setting the cost through a savings he's found for liquid weed control. Gardner pointed out that the same weed control savings could have meant savings for the township had the original contractor not backed out.

Council unanimously agreed to signing a one-year contract for roadside mowing with Superior Group for 2022 at a rate of \$96 per hour plus HST, rather than Hyndman's originally proposed threeyear contract. Staff was also directed to update the procurement policy.

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Prayers go out to Dwayne's wife Kathy and her family.

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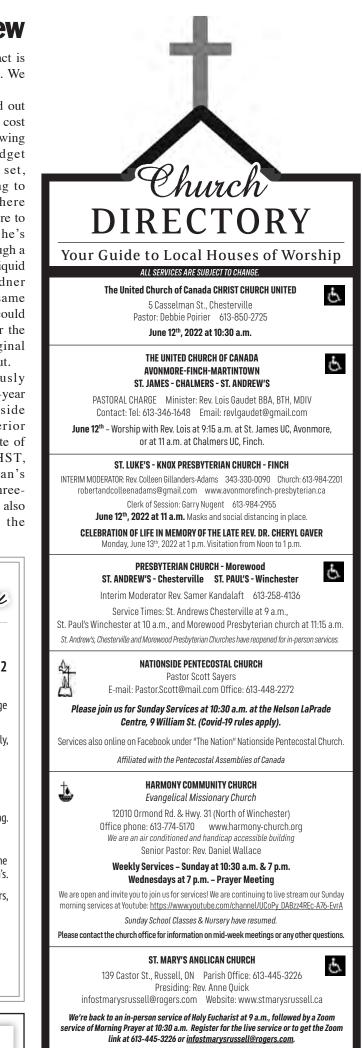
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- OBITUARY -



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of Chesterville, the late James Jackson and Carol Messier of Lakeland, Florida. Dear sister of Harold Ball of Winchester. Dear sister-in-law of Jessie Ball of Winchester and Marjorie Shadbolt of Winchester. Lois will be fondly remembered by 7 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her parents Sherman and Jean Ball (nee Cross) and her brother Eric Ball. She is also survived by nieces and nephews. A graveside service was held at Maple Ridge Cemetery, Chesterville, on Friday, June 3rd at 11 a.m. followed by a reception at the Royal Canadian Legion in Chesterville. Donations to Maple Ridge Cemetery would be gratefully acknowledged by the family. If you are making your donation online or by cheque directly to the charity, please include the following note with your gift "please notify the family". Online condolences may be made at marsdenmclaughlin.com.

– Obituary –

CLAUDE GIBEAULT



Passed away suddenly at the Ottawa Civic Hospital on Thursday, May 26, 2022, Claude Gibeault of Chesterville, age 51. Loving husband of Leah McMillan, Loving father of Matthew "Matt", James, Daniel and Johnathan "Johnny". Stepfather of Tanner and Taryn (Kurtis). Step grandfather of Emma. Dear brother of Claudette Gibeault (Eric) and Denis Gibeault (Gloria), both of Chesterville. He was predeceased by his parents Gerald "Joe" and Lila Gibeault (nee Shay). He is also survived by aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins. A Celebration of Claude's life will be held at the Royal Canadian Legion in Chesterville on Sunday, July 10th from 1-4 p.m. Donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be gratefully acknowledged by the family. If you are making your donation online or by cheque directly to the charity, please include the following note with your gift "please notify the family". Online condolences may be made at marsdenmclaughlin.com.

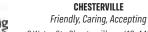
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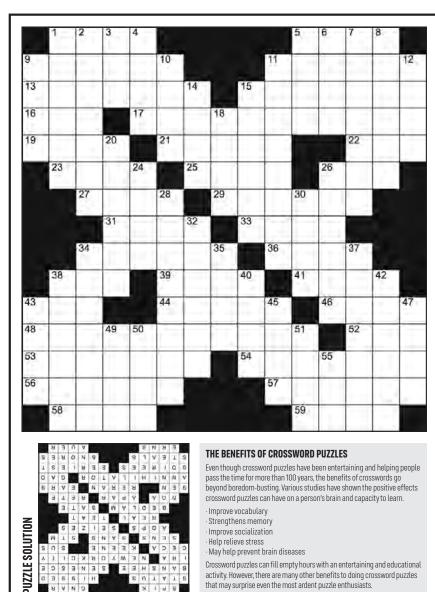
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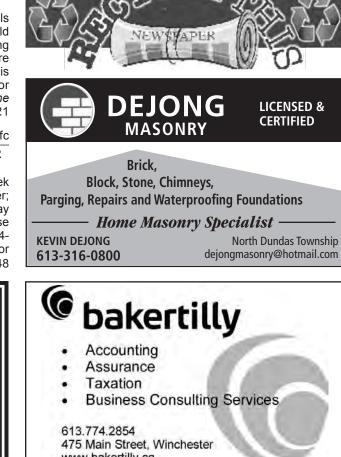
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"I have always had an interest in photography since I was a teenager."

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and that new technology does have its

He said he still likes to have some

His website mentions some of his

Terry said: "You have to evolve along

requires a special talent.

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place.

Campbell presented the Paul Harris Fellow Banner to the Chesterville Rotary Club. Campbell explained the banner recognizes "that all current members of the club have been recipients of the Paul Harris Award."

The Paul Harris Fellow award was instituted in 1957, named after Paul Harris who founded Rotary on



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From the left: Birket Foster, Hollis Bowman, Ruth Gilroy, Bea Stewart, Christine Cross, Betty Vanden Bosch, District 7040 Governor Fay Campbell, Martin Derks and Shelagh Derks. Thompson Goddard Photo

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Terry is driven to try and create something of every photo opportunity.

He remembers while getting his journalism degree he was taking part in a workshop about photography.

"That's where I really got the bug for photography. I really liked the feel of the camera in my hand, and I like the idea of being able to capture the moment the way I saw it. I started writing freelance."

He also enjoys being able to offer photographic restoration.

"I like taking a photo especially if it is a damaged photo and bring it back to its original beauty."

He likes to develop relationships with people he works with.

"I like the idea of creating the something that is different, that is created by me, not by the box in my hand."

This past April he had one of his photographs selected for an exhibition celebrating the best of Canadian professional photography.

A press release detailing the exhibition events stated: "A panel of master photographers judged the best works submitted by professional photographers from across Canada and accepted a selection of outstanding images for exhibition as the 2022 National Image Salon of the Professional Photographers of Canada (PPOC)."

Terry works out of his studio in Ingleside. He lives with his wife Brenda and their dog Mia and cats Chubbers and Wally.

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The photo was taken just south of Ingleside in early winter on a morning which

experienced a fast freeze. It is called Blue Freeze and was selected for the 2022

(PPA)."

also from Carleton.

photographic accomplishments.

"I have been a member of Professional

Photographers of Canada (PPOC) for

almost ten years and am accredited in Fine

Art/Photo Décor. I am also a Certified

Professional Photographer with the

Professional Photographers of America

University Journalism program, and holds

a Master's degree in Canadian Studies,

courses at St. Lawrence College since

He is a graduate of the Carleton

"I have been teaching photography

National Image Salon of the Professional Photographers of Canada (PPOC).

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This coming Saturday, the Forest Park/Embrun area customers will be affected by a planned power outage on June 11 at 8 a.m. to noon. New hydro equipment is being installed. Hydro customers in Limoges and Cambridge Forest Estates area will be affected from 8 a.m. to noon as Hydro replaces a Hydro pole. Courtesy Photo

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Stéphane Sarrazin wins Glengarry-Prescott-Russell seat in provincial election

Joseph Morin Villager Staff

CASSELMAN – Stéphane Sarrazin, confident, enthusiastic, and optimistic describes how he felt the morning after winning his election bid on June 2.

He is the new Progressive Conservative (PC), member of provincial parliament, (MPP) for the riding of Glengarry-Prescott-Russell.

Sarrazin has also served his community as the Mayor of Alfred and Plantagenet and the warden of Prescott and Russell United Counties.

The riding had been held by former MPP Amanda Simard. Simard had been elected in 2018 as a Progressive Conservative. She left the PC party after Ontario Premier Doug Ford eliminated the French language services commissioner and along the way, cancelled their plans for a new French language university. Simard became an Independent member of parliament until she joined the Liberal party in 2020.



Stephane Sarrazin Courtesy Photo

In the recent election, she came in second behind Sarrazin with just 38 per cent of the votes or 16,549 votes. Sarrazin won his seat with 18,033 votes.

The idea of becoming involved in provincial politics at the provincial level has been a tantalizing thought in the back of Sarrazin's mind for several years.

"Sarrazin said, "A couple of years ago, being a mayor and being a member of council of the United Counties of Prescott Russell, I felt we did not have good representation at Queen's Park. At that time, the former MPP was not doing lots for us."

Sarrizin along with a few other concerned members of the riding decided to create a back channel to the province to try and get the concerns of the riding through to the provincial government. The group connected with MPP Mulroney.

"We said if we have something that we need from the provincial government, can we use you as our communication channel?"

As a result, the group made a healthy connection with the provincial government and soon other affected communities in the

riding were joining in.

Sarrizin said, "All of the mayors of Glengarry Prescott Russell said we need somebody for the next four years to represent us and that's how it all started."

Once committed to the idea, Sarrizin said he never doubted that he would succeed. He remembers that when he was campaigning, everywhere he went he received a positive reception.

"I know what files are important for the region and they have been sitting at the county level for almost four years now."

As the newly elected MPP for his riding, Sarrizin said he is ready to take on the job. Some of his priorities are jobs, infrastructure, roads, and training people so that they will have a better opportunity of securing a job in the future.

The New Democratic Party came in with 3,634 votes, Green party with 1,601, the New Blue party with 1,858 and the Ontario party with 787.

Russell council urged to create affordable housing strategy housing. The upcoming review of the Official Plan will provide an opportunity to the township to consider

Sandy Casselman

Villager Staff

EMBRUN – The township of Russell was presented with an affordable housing strategy proposal during a recent council meeting.

"The critical shortage of every type of affordable housing stock in suburbs and rural areas such as Russell Township has been exacerbated by an increase in people migrating from the city and larger suburbs in search of less densely populated areas," Marc Lalonde said. "This situation is further restricting the ability of lower income families, seniors, and person with disabilities in our township from finding affordable homes and apartments."

Lalonde presented his affordable housing strategy proposal to council on June 6, including his recommendation that a committee focused on affordable housing be established to lead. Council members applauded the research and work that went into the report. Mayor Pierre Leroux agreed with Lalonde's recommendation, suggesting that staff be directed to prepare and present the information to the next council later this year. Coun. Jamie Laurin suggested staff get started on the terms and references for the new committee.

"In regard to forming a committee, I would agree with that 100 per cent. Timing wise though, we're coming up on an election," Leroux said. He also outlined the potential roadblocks in setting up a committee at this time of year. He further suggested that staff should review housing. The upcoming review of the Official Plan will provide an opportunity to the township to consider reassigning values and setting firmer standards for new development which would contribute to easing some of the current 'not in my backyard' responses by residents to high density in-fill projects."

Lalonde said he's spent time reviewing the township's most recent development projects, noting that most new homes being built are directed to middle and upper middle income wage earners. He said that he's discovered only a few affordable housing projects, as well as only "one small, subsidized apartment complex for lowincome seniors" in the Village of Russell with the same being true for Embrun and Marionville.

"In talking with residents with elderly parents or high functioning young adults and adults with physical or developmental disabilities, several have had to leave the community to find suitable accommodations in other towns and communities, such as North Gower, Crysler, and Osgoode," he said. "Many of these people grew up in our township, raised families here, and worked as volunteers. What can we do as a township to find the ways and means to keep them here, where they belong?"

Lalonde's report includes a listing of sources for the information he has provided, as well as potential networking leads for Russell to gain assistance in moving forward with an affordable housing strategy. With the township's current Official Plan to be reviewed and updated in 2023, Lalonde suggested now is the time to invest in an affordable housing strategy that can be incorporated into an updated Official Plan, one that takes a proactive approach to affordable housing needs. He also suggested that Russell should consult with affordable housing specialists in developing the strategy. "The proposed 80-million-dollar recreation complex for the township was an idea which became a reality based on general support for the concept by residents, user groups, local fundraising groups, and the like. Analysis had to be performed, the public needed to be educated, and fundraising initiatives had to be mounted to strengthen and support that big initiative," Lalonde said. "This is very much the same approach that must be taken on the important issue of affordable housing for our residents, young, old, and disabled." Lalonde recommended that council create a committee focused on this project. He said the township already has many resources and partners who are ready to assist. Lalonde's seven-page written report is included in the June 6 agenda package, which can be found on Russell's website.

Russell council commits to library move, but not timeline Sandy Casselman commits to a timeline of

Villager Staff

EMBRUN – The township of Russell Public Library Board urges council to make a firm commitment to repurposing the Camille Piché Community Centre for the future site of the library's Embrun branch.

The request was made during the June 6 council meeting by way of a resolution from the board. Recently, council heard from members of the Embrun community who took issue with the future of the centre being decided without their input. Council received the request but didn't change their current position, which is a wait-and-see approach to the timeline of when the library might take possession of the community centre should that be the outcome.

"I thought when we had the discussion on the opposite side of the discussion a month ago now, was the residents didn't want to be without the complex and I thought most of the council were of the same opinion, that we wouldn't leave them without a community centre for at least an extended period of time," Coun. Jamie Laurin said, noting that he understands there will be a transition period for library renovations and, at that time, the centre won't be available for residents, but until the township is closer to realizing the new recreational complex, residents should have the centre available for their use. "We can't leave two years without a community centre."

commits to a timeline of when the library board can take possession of the Centre Communautaire Camille Piché Community Centre building to move ahead with the planning of the renovation."

It was noted in the resolution that the library board has entered into an agreement with JM&C Ltd. for the design of the new Embrun branch. The library board's recorded vote showed that all six board members in attendance, including Russell councillor, Mike Tarnowski, voted in favour of the resolution.

"It leads me to believe that the board isn't certain that council has made the decision that that's where we're going, and that's what it sounds like from the resolution, but I thought we were clear that that was the direction," Laurin said, noting that there were library board members in the audience.

Mayor Pierre Leroux confirmed Laurin's take on the situation. Council has committed to seeing the Embrun branch of the library relocated to the Camille Piché Community Centre. However, he also reiterated that council has not committed to a timeline other than ensuring the change won't take place until the recreation complex is as close to being built as possible or, potentially, until it's built. "We're talking about at least three years," Leroux said. "So, the library would remain in the school at least for another three years or there about." Laurin suggested the situation is an example of why it's important to have all impacted parties at the table before a decision is made. He offered suggestions on how future staff reports might be altered to address this concern.

each of the current committees and come up with "possible options for how we can be as efficient and effective as possible."

He noted the need, as well as the interest across all political levels, including both provincial and federal. Lalonde outlined the varying definitions of affordable housing and listed the different types of housing in terms of low-medium-high density buildings. In addition to relevant statistics, Lalonde also provided examples of what other Ontario municipalities are doing to address the housing crisis and lack of affordable options for seniors, low-income families, and persons with physical and intellectual disabilities. He then outlined his proposal for affordable housing in Russell.

"In Russell Township, there has been a long-standing tradition of focusing mostly on the development of single-family homes with some treatment given to medium density, semi-detached homes, and townhouse construction. Apartment style buildings are a less common sight. Indeed, the current Official Plan for the township supports this approach (70 per cent low density, 20 per cent medium density, 10 per cent high density)," Lalonde said. "This current policy will have to change significantly if the township wants to take a more active role in responding to the current crisis in affordable

"New initiatives like these also bring employment opportunities and help grow the local economy," Lalonde said. "Equally important, it reminds us all of the need to take care and support our residents, our neighbours, which in turn helps strengthen our sense of community."

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The library board's resolution requested that "council clearly commits to move forward with the renovation of the Centre Communautaire Camille Piché Community Centre in order to relocate the Embrun Branch of the Public Library," and "that council