

**REGION OF QUEENS MUNICIPALITY
REGULAR COUNCIL
TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2017
9:00 a.m.**

PRESENT: Mayor David Dagley, Chair
Councillor Kevin Muise
Councillor Heather Kelly
Councillor Brian Fralic
Deputy Mayor Susan MacLeod
Councillor Jack Fancy
Councillor Raymond Fiske
Councillor Gilbert Johnson
Richard MacLellan, Chief Administrative Officer
Jennifer Keating-Hubley, Director of Finance
Christine Watson, Recording / Management Secretary

1.0 CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Dagley called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2.0 CHANGES / APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Councillor Fiske and seconded by Councillor Fancy that the Agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

3.0 PRESENTATION(S):

3.1 RCMP – March 2017 Report

Mayor Dagley welcomed S/Sgt. Derek Smith, District Commander (copy of March 2017 Report attached to original set of Minutes).

Some highlights included:

- Application submitted provincially for recognition of a local resident for bravery who rescued a female from a burning house, and once this application is completed, application will be submitted federally.
- Senior Safety Coordinator is on leave of absence until end of election; Constable Rob James has taken over some duties.
- Meeting with Traffic Authority, Joe Crowell, TIR, to discuss sidewalk signage.
- Personnel Issues – Constable Shelley Levy is being transferred to headquarters; Constable Joshua Mackenzie is being transferred to Bridgewater Intelligence. Their replacements will be in place by mid July.

3.2 Mersey Tobeatic Research Institute – Amanda Lavers

Amanda Lavers, Executive Director, Mersey Tobeatic Research Institute was welcomed to present to Council (copy of presentation attached to original set of Minutes).

Some highlights included:

- Reviewed their Mission and Vision,
- Reviewed Membership and Partners,
- Volunteers – over 10,000 volunteer hours/year,
- Business History – 12 year-round staff, 5-10 summer students/year, \$500-600,000/year revenue,
- Three Pillars of MTRI include Main Building, Education & Outreach, and Workshops & Seminars,
- Publications,
Research and Monitoring – Aquatic Health – fish possibility, CBC Land & Sea – Protecting the Loons of NS, Species at Risk – white nose bats, monarch butterflies,

turtles, Healthy Forests and Landscape Connectivity – focus on old forests, focus on women in forestry (held 3 workshops),

- Certification Program – 40 woodlots, 12,500 hectares, 40 workshops,
- Expanding contractor capacity for partial harvests in western NS,
- Reviewed projects with economic slants for 2017.
- For more information: www.merseytobeatric.ca

4.0 TABLING OF PETITIONS:

There were no petitions to come before this meeting.

5.0 PUBLIC QUESTION / COMMENT SESSION:

Leon Robertson, 45 College Street, Liverpool – Mr. Robertson enquired on procedure if approval is given under Item 13.1 Vending Bylaw. He further enquired under Item 9.2 Council and CAO Expenses, if there were policies and bylaws for Councillors to follow when submitting expenses.

Mabel Wisniewski, 34 Mersey Avenue, Liverpool – Ms. Wisniewski, Board member of the Privateer Farmers' Market, voiced her concerns of including a fee of \$200.00 to the Farmers' Market under the proposed Vending Bylaw No. 16.

Robin Johnston, 5763 Highway 28, North Brookfield – Ms. Johnston, member Board of Privateer Farmers' Market, as well as a small business owner of a vegetable farm in North Queens. She stated that the Farmers' Market group was not informed of the proposed fee increase until filling out the application for the coming season and encouraged council to reconsider the proposed fee increase to include the Farmers' Market.

Mary White, 1022 Brooklyn Shore Road, Brooklyn – Ms. White, representing Plant to Plate, requested the consideration for an additional 10' x 40' plot beside the existing gardens and asked for consideration of putting in some raised beds in the Cobb.

Bill Cox – 121 Bog Road, White Point – Mr. Cox enquired the need for the initiative to bring in another layer of bureaucracy deal with expense under Item 9.0 Joint Municipal Accountability and Transparency Committee. He further commented on the need for policing on Bog Road for off road vehicles.

Keith Milton – 123 Bog Road, White Point – Mr. Milton enquired about Queens Rails to Trails Association.

6.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

6.1 Council Minutes – April 25, 2017

It was moved by Deputy Mayor MacLeod and seconded by Councillor Fancy:

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held April 25, 2017 be approved as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

6.2 Special Council – May 2, 2017

It was moved by Councillor Fiske and seconded by Councillor Fralic:

THAT the minutes of the Special Council meeting held May 2, 2017 be approved as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

7.0 DANGEROUS OR UNSIGHTLY PREMISES:

There were no items to come before this meeting.

8.0 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

8.1 Privateer Days Request 2017

It was moved by Councillor Kelly and seconded by Councillor Fancy:

THAT the Council of the Region of Queens Municipality approve the request of the Privateer Days Commission for use of Region properties as follows:

- 1) Privateer Park, including the former Legion property, from Tuesday, June 20 to Wednesday, June 28, 2017;**
- 2) The Old Burial Ground from Friday, June 23 to Sunday, June 25, 2017;**
- 3) Use of the Visitor Information Centre (VIC) patio for a reviewing stand for the parade on Saturday, June 24, 2017, with approximately 5 parking spaces in front being kept clear of vehicle parking for the duration of the parade;**
- 4) Use of Fort Point Lighthouse Park for the Encampment between Friday, June 23 and Sunday, June 25, 2017;**
- 5) Use of the floating dock near the VIC for the afternoon of Saturday, June 24, 2017;**
- 6) Closure of Queens Place Drive and use of the overflow parking lot at the end of the cul-de-sac and the Queens Place Emera Centre parking lot from 9:00 – 11:30 am Saturday, June 24, 2017;**
- 7) Closure of Henry Hensey Drive from Main Street (Fire Hall) to Legion Street from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, June 24 and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, June 25, 2017;**
- 8) Closure of Main Street, between Market and Old Bridge Street (one side open to Pharmachoice, exit through parking lot to Church) on Friday, June 23 from 12 noon – 4 p.m.**

AND THAT their request to have the washrooms at Fort Point Lighthouse left unlocked for the weekend will be forwarded to Lane's Privateer Inn for approval;

AND THAT their request for assistance with the delivery of waste management receptacles and picnic tables as available on or before June 23, 2017, plus barricades provided for pickup are all approved, and all street closure requests referred to the Traffic Authority.

AND FURTHER THAT the Council of the Region of Queens Municipality waive Policy 58 to allow for the consumption of alcohol on municipal property at Fort Point Lighthouse Park, Privateer Park and the adjoining former Legion property from Friday, June 23 to Sunday, June 25, 2017, and that no liquor be sold, given away, or consumed prior to the Region of Queens Municipality being provided a certificate of insurance from the appropriate authorities confirming that at least \$2,000,000 of liability insurance is in place for the event with the Region as an additional insured and a copy of the in effect liquor license from the Province of Nova Scotia is provided to the Region, and that all municipal, provincial and federal laws be strictly adhered to.

Jill Cruikshank, Director of Economic Development, stated this request is similar to previous years' requests.

It was moved by Councillor Kelly and seconded by Councillor Muise:

THAT under bullet 8) the time be changed to end at 9:00 p.m.

AMENDMENT TO MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

It was moved by Councillor Fancy and seconded by Deputy Mayor MacLeod:

THAT under bullet 7) that the time for street closure on Saturday change to begin at 7:00 a.m.

AMENDMENT TO MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

It was moved by Councillor Kelly and seconded by Deputy Mayor MacLeod:

THAT under bullet 8) that closure on Main Street is be changed to Court and Old Bridge Street.

AMENDMENT TO MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

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8.2 Privateer Farmers Market

It was moved by Councillor Fralic and seconded by Councillor Fiske:

THAT the Council of the Region of Queens Municipality waive Policy 58 to allow for the consumption of alcohol on municipal property at the Privateer Farmers Market to be held in Centennial Park on Saturdays from May 20 – October 7, 2017 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., and that no liquor be sold, given away, or consumed prior to the Region of Queens Municipality being provided a certificate of insurance from the appropriate authorities confirming that at least \$2,000,000 of liability insurance is in place for the market with the Region as a named insured, and a copy of the in effect liquor license from the Province of Nova Scotia is provided to the Region, and that all municipal, provincial, and federal laws be strictly adhered to.

Mrs. Cruikshank stated she received notification that the end date for the Privateer Farmers' Market is October 14, 2017 and not October 7, 2017 as stated in the recommendation.

It was moved by Councillor Fralic and seconded by Councillor Kelly:

THAT the end date for the Farmers' Market be changed to read October 14, 2017.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

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9.0 CAOs OFFICE:

9.1 Joint Municipal Accountability and Transparency Committee Recommendations

It was moved by Deputy Mayor MacLeod and seconded by Councillor Fralic:

THAT the Council of the Region of Queens Municipality adopt the recommendations contained in the March 2017 JMAT Recommendation Report.

Richard MacLellan, CAO, stated recommendations from the Joint Municipal Accountability and Transparency (JMAT) Committee will be adopted by RQM to ensure that mechanisms are in place to support the requirement of local government's transparency and accountability to the public. The adoption of the recommendations supports Council's strategic priority of governing to Best Municipal practices. The Committee consists of representatives from the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities (UNSM), Association of Municipal Administrators and the Department of Municipal Affairs.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

9.2 Council and CAO Expenses

Jennifer Keating-Hubley, Director of Finance, commented that as stated previously, the purpose of the committee is to increase transparency amongst all municipalities, in a

manner that is consistent. There is nothing unusual on these recommendations that RQM has not been following, for eligible expenses. Travel expense forms are signed off by the CAO or Director of Finance for Councillors' claims. The summary of expenses will be maintained and updated on the RQM's website.

10.0 ENGINEERING AND WORKS:

10.1 Verbal Update

Brad Rowter, Director Engineering & Works, provided a brief update on current capital projects.

Main Street - Reese to Wentworth – The sanitary sewer, water main and storm main are installed. The new water main is charged, chlorinated and in use. Temporary services are disconnected and the new water and sewer services connected to the properties. The road base is constructed and the curb, gutter and sidewalk installation begins this week. Once this section is completed, we will pave this section to just past the museum get the base coat in to help control dust this summer.

Main Street - Wentworth to School – The installation of sanitary sewer, force main, as well as water main and storm sewers are completed, and are still on temporary services. The sanitary laterals are connected to the main sewer as encountered. The curb, gutter and sidewalk will progress once Reese to Wentworth is complete.

Lower School Street

Old Stenpro Lands to Main Street – Working on the sanitary and sewer force main to the pump station this week. We will be working during low tides.

Main/School Street Intersection – Work remains to be done within the intersection before the balance of the Main Street water mains can be activated and chlorinated. Once this is completed, work will move onto School Street.

School Street – Uphill from the Main Street intersection. The rate of progress will slow down with a 16 – 18 feet excavation bedrock. Work will continue and will meet up with the second work crew that have been on the upper end of School Street near the four-way stop. The upper section of School Street has been slowed due to bed rock. Currently the sewer and water and storm mains have been installed half way to Keddy Lane.

All in all everything is going well, on schedule and within budget.

Skate Park

Work is continuing. The contractor has been on site for the last 4 weeks and is scheduled for a mid June completion. Remaining to be done are the concrete aprons, street section floor, viewing stand, entrance way and walks, electrical and the landscaping.

The job is going well and on budget.

Bike Park

This job goes in part with the skate park. Activities continue as weather conditions allow. Efforts will increase as temperatures and clearer weather advances.

Town Hall Roof

Work will proceed once other immediate priorities are completed.

11.0 FINANCE:

There were no items to come before this meeting.

12.0 RECREATION AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES:

There were no items to come before this meeting.

13.0 PLANNING:

13.1 Vending Bylaw – 2017 Second Reading

It was moved by Councillor Fancy and seconded by Councillor Fiske:

THAT the Council of the Region of Queens Municipality give second reading to Bylaw No. 16 – a Bylaw Respecting Vending.

Mike MacLeod, Planner, provided an overview stating that Council had discussed this bylaw and gave first reading at the April 11th Council meeting. A majority of the proposed changes deal with the mobile food truck vendors and establish specific requirements around their utilization and location as well as a change in the fee structure for the various types of vending that the bylaw addresses.

Councillors provided reasons for why they would or would not be accepting the proposed vending bylaw as presented. Some of which included the Privateer Farmers' Market fee concerns, fee structure for festivals for small groups, location, and installation of electrical hookup for vendors.

MOTION CARRIED with 6 in favour and 2 against.

13.2 Quit Claim Deed – Islands in Port Medway

It was moved by Councillor Fiske and seconded by Councillor Fralic:

THAT the Region of Queens Municipality grant a Quit Claim Deed to Karl and Silviane Horath for any interest which the Municipality may have in properties identified as PID #70160296 and 70160304.

AND THAT any costs incurred in this transaction be borne by Karl and Silviane Horath.

Mr. MacLeod stated that a request was received from property owners to grant a quit claim deed for two small islands off the mainland which were acquired in 1988. The properties were included under one assessment account number and they have been paying taxes on the lands since they have been acquired. They are in the process of migrating the properties and have been unable to establish clear title. The RQM has never claimed ownership of the islands. The RQM has granted similar requests from other property owners in the area previously. There is little value to RQM and would be better served as a taxable parcel.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

14.0 REPORTS

There were no reports to come before this meeting.

15.0 OTHER:

There were no items to come before this meeting.

16.0 IN-CAMERA ITEMS

It was moved by Councillor Fancy and seconded by Councillor Kelly that the proceedings go In-Camera at 11:50 a.m. to discuss the following:

- 16.1 Contract Negotiations, MGA 22(2)e
- 16.2 Property Matter, MGA 22(2)a
- 16.3 Property Matter, MGA 22(2)a
- 16.4 Property Matter, MGA 22(2)a

- 16.5 Property Matter, MGA 22(2)a
- 16.6 Property Matter, MGA 22(2)a
- 16.6 Personnel Matter, MGA 22(2)c

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

COUNCIL RECESSED until 1:00 p.m.

It was moved by Councillor Muise and seconded by Councillor Fiske that the proceedings exit the In-Camera session at 3:35 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

- 16.2 Property Matter, MGA 22(2)a

It was moved by Councillor Fralic and seconded by Councillor Johnson:

THAT the Council of the Region of Queens Municipality enter into a purchase and sale agreement with Kent Fields Estates Limited for the sale of approximately 32 acres of Municipal lands off Barss Street in Liverpool, identified as PID #70021126, for the sale price of \$55,000.

AND THAT the details of the sale may be released upon transaction closure.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

- 16.3 Property Matter, MGA 22(2)a

It was moved by Councillor Fancy and seconded by Councillor Fiske:


THAT the Council of the Region of Queens Municipality enter into a purchase and sale agreement with Plaza Retail Reit for the sale of Municipal lands at Queens Crossing, identified as PID #70243233 and a portion of 70081740, and comprising approximately 84,100 square feet in area.

AND THAT the details of the sale may be released upon transaction closure.

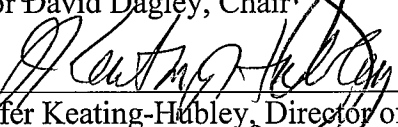
MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

17.0 ADJOURNMENT

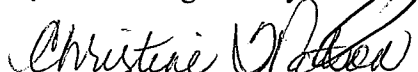
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:37 p.m.



Mayor David Dagley, Chair



Jennifer Keating-Hubley, Director of Finance



Christine Watson, Recording / Management Secretary

Date Approved: May 23, 2017



COUNCIL REPORT

Region of Queens

ABSTRACT

Report on policing activity in Queens County for the month of March 2017

Queens Detachment

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QUEENS DETACHMENT COUNCIL REPORT



PERSONNEL

Current Personnel Capacity:	No Vacancies – Full Strength	
Current Compliment:	District Commander	S/Sgt. Derek Smith
	Team Leader	Cpl. Bill Wilcox
	Team Leader	Cpl. Doug Brannen
	Members	Cst. Rob James Community Policing Officer Cst. Dave Cowan Caledonia Community Officer Cst. Christa Morrison Cst. Shelley Levy Cst. Ron Duffney Cst. Adam Worth Cst. Rick Ellens Cst. Joshua Mackenzie Cst. Deacon Foster Cst. Tara Davis
	Assistants	Ms. Darlene Crowell Ms. Nichole Smith
	Senior Safety	Ms. Kim Masland





DISTRIBUTION OF OCCURRENCES

TIME OF DAY	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	UK	TOTAL	%
00:01 – 03:59	5	2	2	2	4	9	3		27	13.2
04:00 – 07:59	1	1	1	3	1	2	1		10	4.9
08:00 – 11:59	2	6	3	3	6	9	4		33	16.2
12:00 – 15:59	10	10	10	3	11	8	4		56	27.5
16:00 – 19:59	10	5	10	5	9	8	10		57	27.9
20:00 – 24:00	2	2	2	4	3	4	1		18	8.8
Unknown Hour								3	3	1.5
TOTAL	30	26	28	20	34	40	23		204	-
%	14.7	12.7	13.7	9.8	16.7	19.6	11.3	1.5	-	100





OCCURRENCE TYPE PER MONTH

OCCURRENCE TYPE	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
911 Act	20	6	10									
Arson	1	0	0									
Assault	15	12	5									
Assist Other Agencies	4	2	4									
Break and Enter	3	4	3									
Causing Animals Unnecessary Suffering	0	0	0									
Checkstop	2	6	3									
Crime Prevention	7	8	12									
CDSA- Possession	2	1	2									
CDSA - Trafficking	2	3	0									
Criminal Harassment	6	4	3									
Disturbing the Peace	2	4	3									
Fail to Comply w/Court Order	3	6	5									
Firearms Act	1	0	0									
Firearms Offences	0	0	1									
Fraud	2	2	3									
Harassing Phone Calls	3	3	6									
Impaired Operation	1	0	2									
Liquor Control Act Offences	1	2	0									
Littering	0	0	0									
Lost/Found Items	2	1	5									
Mental Health Act	11	16	7									
Mischief	4	8	6									
Missing Person	2	1	2									
Municipal Bylaws	2	3	1									
Off Road Vehicle Offences	2	3	3									
Offender Management	1	5	0									
Property Check	8	6	3									
Provincial Wildlife Offences	3	1	1									
Robbery	0	0	0									
Sexual Assaults	2	3	2									
Theft Under \$5000	12	11	4									
Theft Over \$5000	1	0	0									
Theft of Motor Vehicle	1	0	0									
Traffic: Moving Violations	19	9	47									
Traffic: Non Moving & Parking	3	10	13									
Traffic: Fail to Remain	2	1	3									
Traffic: Traffic Collisions	13	18	12									
Uttering Threats	7	6	4									
Other Criminal Code Offences	5	2	4									
Other Provincial Statutes	6	9	7									
Other Federal Statutes	0	0	0									
Other Calls for Service - Non Offences	16	17	18									
Total File Count	195	193	204									





COMMUNITY POLICING REPORT

The following report is from Cst. Rob James, Community Policing Officer, detailing his highlights for the month of March 2017:

- QCCR weekly broadcasts
- SANE trauma informed workshop, Bridgewater
- Acting supervisor duties
- Cyber Safety presentation preparation
- Fly the Flag patrols - Hwy 3 - Hunts Point/White Point/Port Mouton/Carters Beach
 - Western Head
 - Eastern Shore Rd./Port Medway
 - Mill Village/Charleston
 - Hwy 8 - Greenfield/Labelle/Bangs Falls

Cst. JAMES also had personal vacation leave, compassionate leave for a death in his family as well as some personal sick days in March.





SENIOR SAFETY REPORT

The following report is from Kim Masland, Senior Safety Coordinator, detailing her highlights for the month of March 2017:

- Planned and assisted with the transportation of a senior to Long Term Care. This was a very in-depth file.
- Successfully located a family doctor for two seniors who could no longer continue to sit in ER for prescription renewals.
- Arranged and met with Adult Protection for a senior who has been deemed to lack capacity.
- Prepared and set up an information booth in the Liverpool Post office lobby to educate and create awareness of the latest fraud and scams. I engaged local media and Tim Hortons to provide free hot chocolate. This was well received with people wanting to share their experiences.
- Working with a senior client who will be evicted in 15 days. This case has involved agencies such as Adult Protection, Continuing Care, Mental Health and Seniors team.
- Received a call from a senior very concerned about finding a low income apartment.
- Working with family who lives away and mother is suffering from severe dementia. RCMP were called out twice to this senior's home.
- Met with a senior client who is suffering from PTSD. Client has refused to go to Mental Health but is doing very well with our talk therapy sessions.
- Received a call from a senior I have been working with concerning a family dispute. Client was very distraught. This client was taken to hospital for the night for observation.
- Received a call from a spouse very concerned about her husband's placement and asking for support.
- Continue to deal with a spouse who has been consumed with caregiver stress but refusing for his wife to go to hospital. Client is now in hospital.
- Presentation for Vibes Talk to discuss Senior Safety/Fraud and Scams.
- Presentation for Mersey Point Seniors Group on the latest fraud and scams. The Community Policing Officer was involved with this presentation.
- Received a call from a senior very worried about his heating source. Client has 5 sticks of wood left and cannot find any wood.
- Referral from family member concerning an elderly lady and possible neglect. I was unable to reach anyone at the residence but was aware they were home. I engaged RCMP to assist.
- Community referral for a neglected palliative senior. I arranged for the senior to be transported to hospital and am working with a family member.
- Attended a South Shore Justice family mediation session with a senior who has been experiencing difficulties with children.
- Arranged for the Geriatric Nurse from the Seniors Team to meet with a client. I attended this session with the client and am working to have him safely placed in an environment where he will succeed. This has been a very in-depth file.



QUEENS DETACHMENT COUNCIL REPORT



- Met with 5 seniors in their homes to check on their safety and update required services.
- Community referral for a senior suffering from severe dementia requiring assistance.
- Planning of the 15th Annual 50+ Expo.





FILES OF INTEREST

House Fire/Sudden Death

The file remains open to make application for recognition of a local resident who entered a burning residence to rescue a female who would have most certainly perished in the fire.

Theft and Possession of Stolen Property

A 23 Year old male from Lunenburg County has been charged with theft of a trailer and a separate charge of theft of tools from an address in White Point. It is alleged that this subject was responsible for numerous thefts from mini-excavators to tools all through South-West Nova Scotia. Extensive file coordination was done by numerous police agencies. This subject is also facing several prior unrelated offences. He is currently remanded in custody pending a resolution to his matters in court.

This file illustrates the circumstances of offenders travelling extensively to commit offences and the significant work involved to coordinate and deal with the aftermath.

Intimidation of a Justice Participant

A 37 Queens County resident was arrested and charged with Intimidation of a Justice Participant. It is alleged the subject was attempting to have a crime victim change her testimony and or refuse to testify prior to his trial. The subject was held for Court and subsequently released on conditions.

Attempted Robbery at Convenience Store – Old Port Mouton Road

This matter remains under investigation.

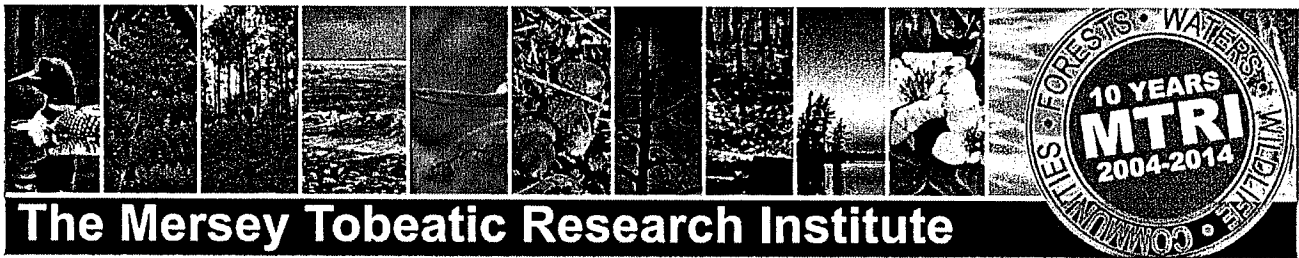
Armed Robbery at the Pharmasave in Caledonia

This matter remains under investigation.

Respectfully submitted:

G. D. (Derek) SMITH, S/Sergeant
District Commander
RCMP Queens District





The Mersey Tobeatic Research Institute

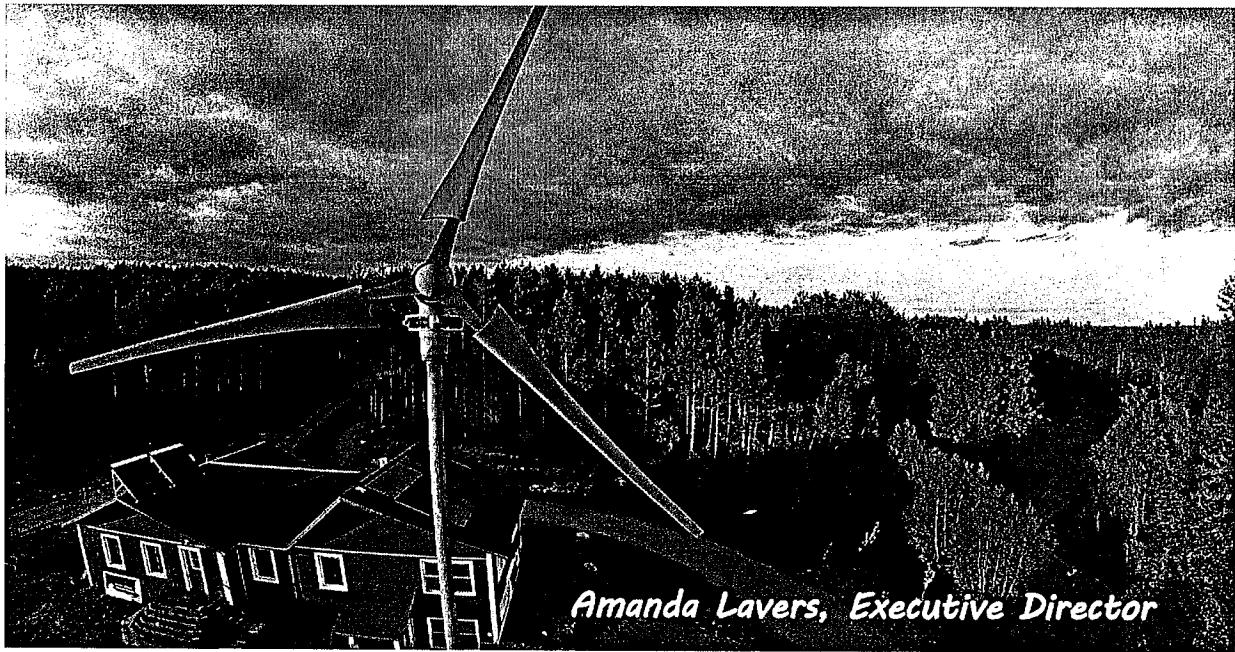


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MTRI Mission & Vision



Mission

MTRI's mission is to promote sustainable use of natural resources and biodiversity conservation in the Southwest Nova Biosphere Reserve and beyond through research, education, and the operation of a field station.

Vision

MTRI envisions prosperous and knowledgeable human communities in the SNBR where decisions with biodiversity implications are well-informed by research, where species are not at risk, where there is landscape and aquatic connectivity, healthy forests, and healthy aquatic ecosystems.



Membership

Over 800 members + 50 partner companies/agencies!

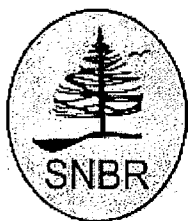
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Strong founding partnerships

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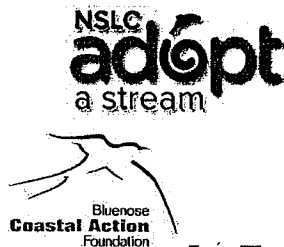


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Totally engaged volunteer base

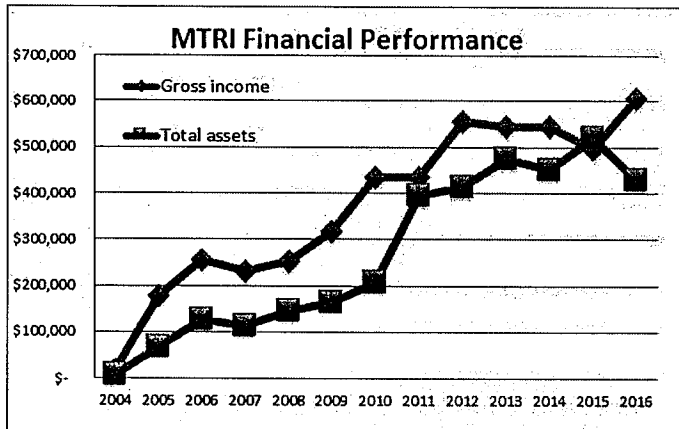
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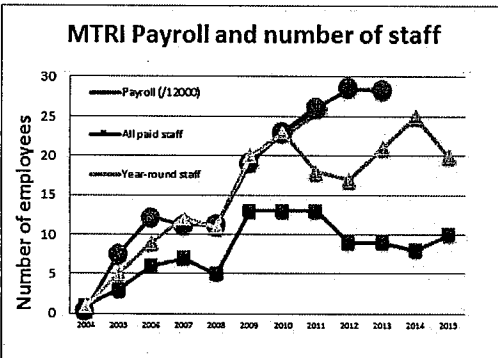
- 👤 Over 10,000 volunteer hours/year
- 👤 Lots of energy and enthusiasm!

Business history

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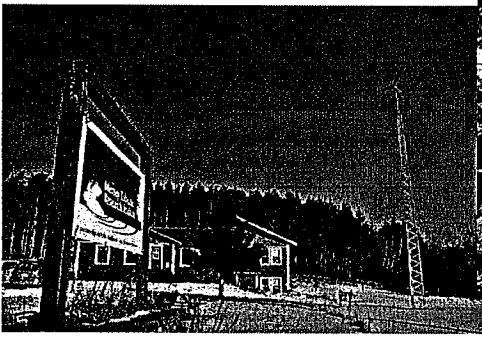
- Twelve year-round staff;
- Five to ten summer students/year;
- \$500-600k/year revenue;
- Attracts scientists & enriches residents;
- Fosters other businesses & co-ops



Three pillars of MTRI

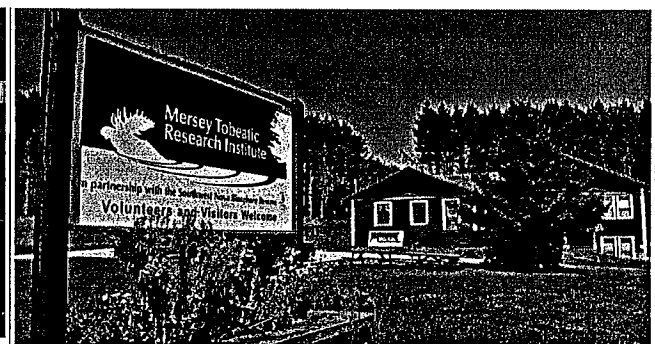
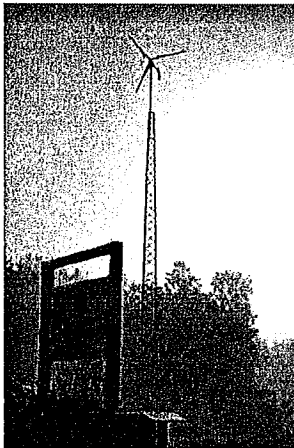
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MTRI's Mission: promote sustainable use of natural resources and biodiversity conservation in the Southwest Nova Biosphere Reserve and beyond through research, education, and the operation of a field station.



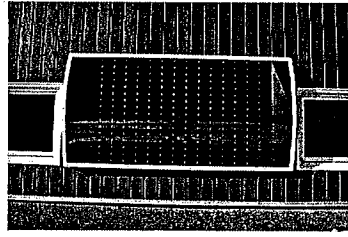
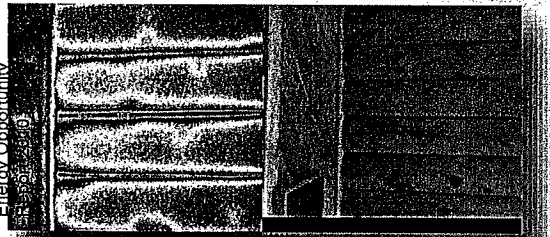
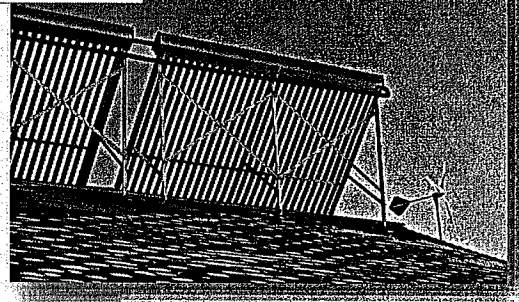
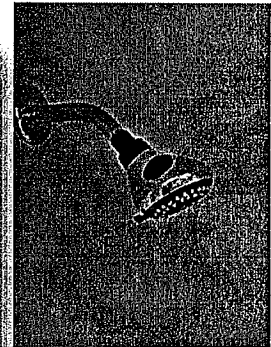
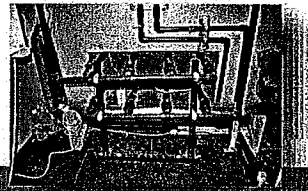
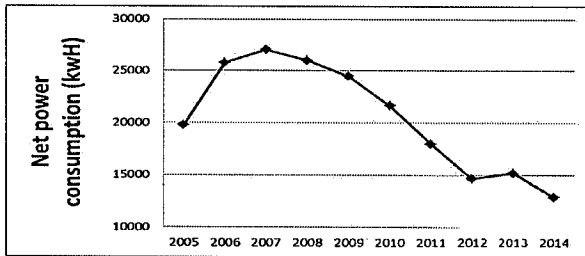
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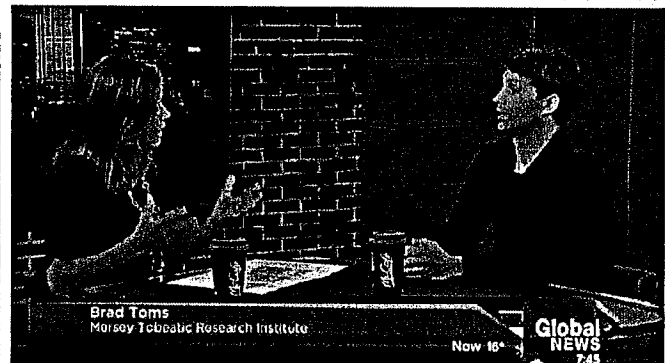
Green technologies & building

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2. Education & Outreach

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Workshops & seminars



Publications



Forest harvesting impacts on mortality of an endangered lichen at the landscape and stand scales
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A Significant Range Extension for *Thamnophis sauritus*, in Nova Scotia, Canada
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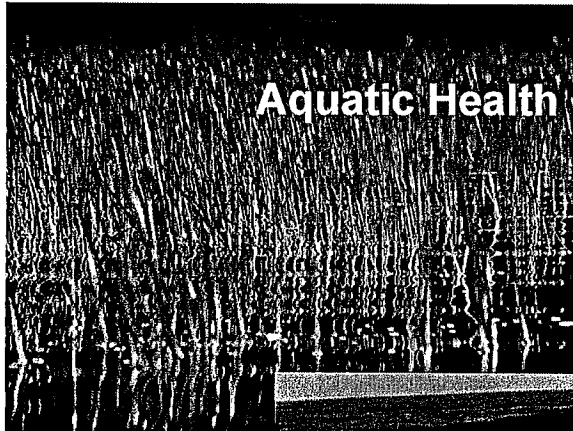
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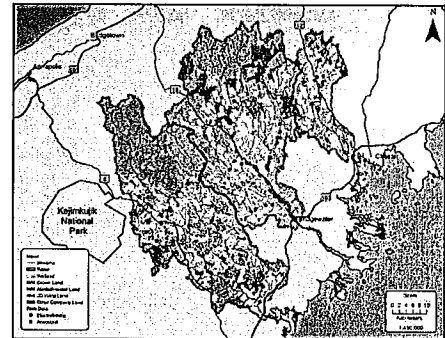
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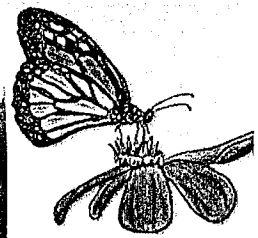
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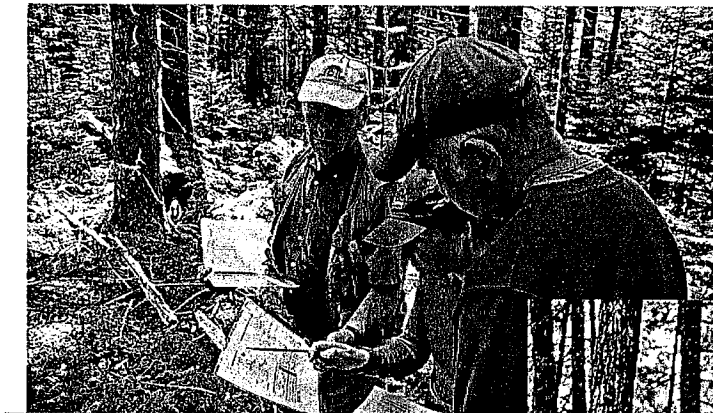
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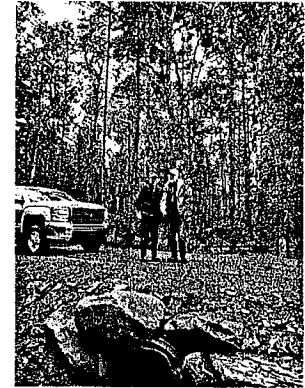
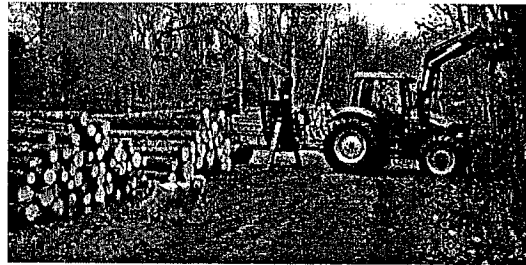
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MTRI/FNSWO Certification Program

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- 40 certified woodlots in MTRI pool
130 combined with FNSWO
- Over 12,500 hectares of certified land
- Over 40 workshops, training courses
and seminars delivered to over 600
participants



Expanding contractor capacity for partial harvests in western Nova Scotia

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Capacity does exist to do partial
harvesting on south shore

Versatile equipment and
purpose built machines + skilled
& experienced operators who
like the challenge of partial
harvesting are available

- Minimum amount of tonnes needed to sustain their
business ranged from 20,000 – 30,000
tonnes/crew/year
- Minimum size harvest job they consider feasible to
do was typically around 1000 tonnes
- Clustering woodlots and working with some type of
entity was appealing to many contractors

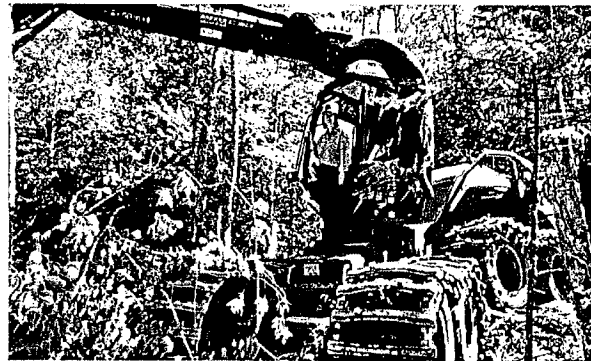


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Woodlot owners want a good job done & contractors want to do a good job

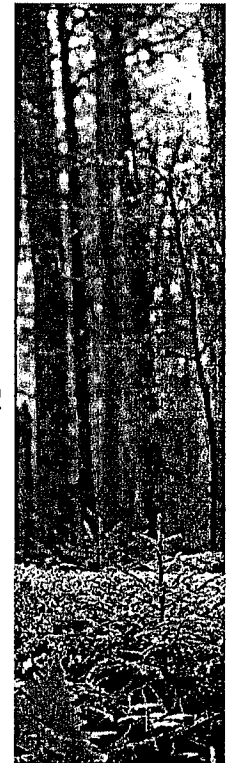
Both are hesitant but would like to be part of a harvest demo field day where they can interact and have conversations to find new opportunities



MTRI projects with economic slants coming up in 2017...

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- Rural Vitality project with NQ Innovation and Business Hub: training in entrepreneurship + tourism partnership building + incubating innovation + testing TV whitespace
- Continuing to provide leadership to the Western Woodlot Service Co-operative and Medway Community Forest
- Canada 150: Shelburne Heritage River and Bioblitz events with Parks Canada - thanks for support from ROQ staff
- Feasibility study for supplying municipalities with sustainably-sourced biomass for district heating
- Valuing carbon for FSC-certified private landowners with partners in NB and PEI





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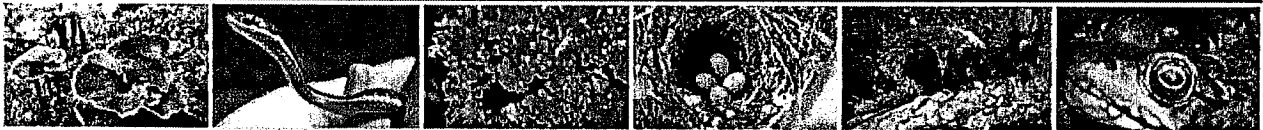
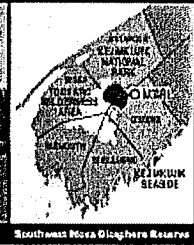
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Over the last few years, the organization has been developing capacity through its staff, volunteers, members, and directors.

MTRI is currently undertaking projects that focus on topics such as water quality, stream flow, riverine wetlands, landscape connectivity and forest health. Climate change and invasive alien species.

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