

PART B **Monthly Activities (continued)**

Active production will be maintained at the site's three other manufacturing units. The project will be in full compliance with all applicable regulations. The work involves the removal of outdoor equipment, piping and storage tanks, the removal of process equipment inside the manufacturing building, and partial removal and renovation of the manufacturing building shell to properly house the utilities that serve other parts of the site. The majority of the materials removed will be recycled after a thorough cleaning and before leaving the site. Questions and inquiries should be directed to Gord Wilson or David Yeung at 862-1411.

b) Highway 402 Planning and Preliminary Design Study

Information regarding the Hwy. 402 Planning and Preliminary Design Study has been received from URS Canada Inc. URS has been retained by the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) to undertake this study for Highway 402 from the Bluewater Bridge Plaza easterly for 16 km. to County Road 26 (Mandaumin Road). The purpose of the study is to address the need for improvements related to capacity and safety on this section of road, as truck queues in the westbound lanes result in congestion at the border and impact local access at the interchanges. Three Public Information Centres are proposed and the public is invited to provide input to the project team. Notices of the Public Information Centres will be published in local newspapers. The County will continue to receive notices of project activities and information as this study progresses. Note: This work flows from the Canada-Ontario Border Infrastructure funding (~\$100M) that was approved last year and is the first step in moving the projects forward.

c) Notice of Intent to supply a Salt Management Plan

On April 3, 2004, Environment Canada published the Code of Practice for the Environmental Management of Road Salts. The development of salt management plans, to reduce environmental harm caused by road salt, remains non-regulatory. Municipalities using 500 tonnes or more of road salt are strongly urged to submit a Letter of Intent to Environment Canada by Oct. 3, 2004 identifying actions they will take to improve their road salt management practices in salt storage, general salt use on roads, and snow disposal. See Letter of Intent Sample 1, which is attached. For municipalities that currently have a salt management plan, a letter of intent should still be sent to Environment Canada indicating that the plan exists.

PART B **Monthly Activities (continued)**

See Letter of Intent – Sample 2, also attached. A Salt Management Plan should be prepared by April 3, 2005. To assist municipalities in preparing their salt management plans, Ontario Good Roads Association (OGRA) plans to post completed salt management plans on their website (www.ogra.org). It should be noted that TAC and OGRA's efforts to have municipalities submit voluntary salt management plans is a much better alternative than the initial move by Environment Canada to designate salt a hazardous material.

d) Contract 2004-16 – Operations of Moore Landfill Site

See attached staff memo dated July 30, 2004.

e) Adopt a Road Program

Roadside clean-ups were undertaken in the month of June by the following groups:

- Watford Fire Dept. – County Road #22 (London Line) from First School to Zion Line.
- Royal Canadian Navy Association & Sea Cadets – County Road #22 (London Line) from Blackwell Road to Brigden Road.

No roadside clean-ups were undertaken in July.

f) Facilities Services Report

Attached are reports from the Coordinator of Facilities Services for the months of June & July 2004.

4. General Manager's Report

Recommendation

That the General Manager's Report as set out in Part A and Part B be accepted as presented.

PART C **Other Matters Requiring a Motion**

1. Correspondence

- a) 9-12-04 Letter, dated July 20, 2004 from St. Clair Township regarding a motion passed at their recent Council meeting. Motion reads: "That the County of Lambton be requested to do a traffic count and study on Hill Street particularly in the vicinity of Colborne Street to determine if the area merits consideration for traffic signals."

Recommendation

That this matter be referred to staff and a report be brought back to this committee as soon as the necessary analysis can be completed.

2. Road Widenings & Dedications

As per conditions of approval for consents granted:
Purchase of a road widening at 1465 Mandaumin Road (County Road #26). The widening will allow for the phased improvements (starting with ditch move-off) to this graveled piece of County road.

Recommendation

That the Warden and Clerk be authorized to dedicate and register the following Transfer/Deed and that the appropriate Bylaw be presented to County Council for its consideration:
South ½ of Lot 30, Concession 12, St. Clair Township, shown as Part 6 on Plan 25R-8393, County of Lambton (Instrument # 30505).

3. General Chemical – Pipeline Crossing Agreement

See attached staff memo dated August 4, 2004.

Recommendation

That the Warden and Clerk be authorized to enter into a pipeline crossing agreement with General Chemical Canada Ltd. to allow the installation of a 12 inch high density polyethylene (HDPE) pipeline to transport salt brine across County lands in accordance with the submitted plans, and further;

That the appropriate By-Law be presented to County Council for its consideration.

PART B **Monthly Activities (continued)**

Village of Oil Springs Official Plan and Zoning By-law

A preliminary draft plan was presented to Council for review. We are waiting for Council to schedule another meeting.

Township of St. Clair Parking Study

Approximately 85% of the final Master Plan mapping is complete. The mapping will visually illustrate all proposed recommendations from the Report on Phases 1 and 3 of the Downtown Corunna Parking Study as well as the on-street parking currently available. Once the Master Plan is completed, it will be presented to both the Council of St. Clair Township and the public for comment. It is anticipated that the work will be completed sometime in August.

b) Official Plan Amendment No. 2 to the Township of Warwick Official Plan

This amendment was passed by the Township of Warwick Council on April 21, 2004 by By-law 35 of 2004 and was received by the County of Lambton on May 6, 2004.

The purpose of this amendment is to recognize the former Warwick Public Elementary School site (known municipally as 6199 First School Road) as a location within the "Rural-Agricultural" designation where uses not otherwise permitted in the designation will be allowed. These uses would include those presently permitted by the "Institutional Zone" of Zoning By-law 53 of 2000 as well as the additional permitted use of a multiple dwelling for seniors.

A concurrent zoning by-law amendment would be a site specific rezoning to add a "Multiple Dwelling" to the uses currently permitted on the property.

c) Official Plan Amendment No. 3 to the Township of Warwick Official Plan

This amendment was passed by the Township of Warwick Council on April 21, 2004 by By-law 42 of 2004 and was received by the County of Lambton on May 6, 2004.

PART B **Monthly Activities (continued)**

The purpose of this amendment is to recognize the former Watford Public Elementary School site as a location within the “Residential” designation where uses not otherwise permitted in the designation will be allowed. A limited range of commercial uses including commercial storage would be permitted. This amendment would be limited to the east half of the lands on which the school is located.

A concurrent zoning by-law amendment was submitted to rezone the entire property to “Residential” with a site-specific zoning on the east half of the property to permit commercial uses within the existing school building.

The zoning amendment would define specifically what commercial uses would be permitted in addition to the primary intended use of commercial storage.

d) Official Plan Amendment No. 9 to the Township of Enniskillen Official Plan

This Official Plan Amendment was adopted by the Council of the Township of Enniskillen on June 22, 2004 by By-law 46 of 2004 and was received by the County of Lambton on July 14, 2004.

The purpose of this amendment is to address approximately 4.8 hectares/12 acres of land. The lands affected by this redesignation are described as Concession 3, West Part Lot 14 & Part 11 ½ Part Lots 1 to 5, RP 25R3029, Part 1, Township of Enniskillen, and municipally known as 4360 South Plank Road. The change in designation does not apply to lands currently designated “Hazard Lands”. The change in designation does not apply to the remainder of the lands owned by the proponent and currently designated “Agriculture”. The designation on the lands affected will change from “Agriculture” to “Open Space”.

A concurrent amendment to By-law 47 of 2004 has also been approved by Township Council by changing the designation from “Agriculture (A.1) Zone” to “Open Space (OS.1) Zone” on those lands as described above. This will allow the development of the lands to a recreational golf course use. Specifically, the amendment will permit a driving range and parking lot to compliment the adjoining golf course facility.

PART B **Monthly Activities (continued)**

- e) Official Plan Amendment No. 5 to the Municipality of Lambton Shores Official Plan

This amendment was passed by The Municipality of Lambton Shores Council on June 21, 2004 by By-law 48 of 2004 and was received by the County of Lambton on June 30, 2004.

The purpose of this amendment is to change the land use designation of the lands shown on Schedule “A” attached hereto from “Residential” to “Highway Commercial”. The lands affected by this amendment are presently designated “Residential” as shown on Schedule “A-8” of the Municipality of Lambton Shores Official Plan. The lands are largely vacant. The owner is requesting the designation be changed to allow for the eventual commercial development of the property. The lands are abutting existing commercial uses to the east and across Townsend Line to the south. They are bounded on the west by one residential dwelling and active recreational uses on lands owned by the Municipality of Lambton Shores. This would be seen as a logical change and would result in a larger supply of highway commercial lands in the community of Forest.

Concurrent zoning by-law amendments to change the zoning from “Commercial 2” and “Residential 1” to “Site-specific “Commercial 2” with additional permitted uses of “bank” and “commercial use” have also been approved by the municipality.

- f) Final Approval of Phase 3, Stage 2 of Glenview Estates Plan of Subdivision – File No. 38T-89010

The above Plan of Subdivision which consists of 12 lots and 1 block received final approval on the 6th day of April, 2004.

- g) Farmland Preservation Conference

Barry Uitvlugt attended the Farmland Preservation Conference in June at the University of Guelph to discuss Farmland Preservation in its numerous aspects. A report is attached for the Committee’s perusal.

- h) Planning and Development Services Statistics

A statistical report for Planning and Development Services is attached.

PART B **Monthly Activities (continued)**

i) Building Services Statistics

A statistical report for the Building Services from April to June 2004 is attached.

j) Emergency Services – Fire Coordinators Update of Activities from January

A report was received, via email, from Richard Boyes, Fire Chief, Sarnia Fire Rescue. I have asked Richard to prepare a report from time-to-time on his activities as the County Fire Coordinator so that Committee/Council can understand the responsibilities/duties that flow from the job. Mr. Boyes states that these are a few of the items that have been dealt with within the last six months as follows:

- i) Various calls from CACC (Wallaceburg) about fire department responses.
- ii) 402 accidents involving county fire departments.
- iii) Wyoming/Camlachie/Watford Fire departments concerning the 402 and the closure and construction.
- iv) Organize the Incident Management Course for the county fire departments. Twenty-eight firefighters interested.
- v) Call, recall and call again to the fire departments to see if they are attending the course. Eight firefighters attending.
- vi) Obtain site for course, course materials and equipment.
- vii) Attend County Emergency Planning control group meetings.
- viii) Attend County Fire Chief's meetings.
- ix) Provide advice to county fire department about Haz Mat Response.

4. General Manager's Report

Recommendation

That the General Manager's Report as set out in Part A and Part B be accepted as presented.

PART C **Other Matters Requiring a Motion**

1. Correspondence

- a) 9-23-04 Letter dated July 6, 2004, from the Municipality of Lambton Shores regarding reimbursement of the funds paid for a plumbing permit for the "Habitat for Humanity" house being built in Forest. The Municipality is requesting that the County of Lambton provide a donation to the organization in the amount of \$234.00.

PART C **Other Matters Requiring a Motion (continued)**

A prior motion regarding plumbing permit fees from minutes of September 24, 1985 as well as an article from The Forest Standard is attached. The County has typically not provided rebates on fees based on the 1985 motion.

Recommendation

That the donation of \$234.00 in plumbing fees for construction of a new residence in Forest by Habitat for Humanity be denied.

2. Signing Authorizations

With the appointment of Jeff Jilek as Manager, Building Services, and Barry Uitvlugt as Senior Planner, the Department Signature Listing has been updated. The revised Department Signature Listing has been reviewed by the General Manager, in accordance with County Policy, and is attached for the Committee's consideration and approval.

Recommendation

That the revised Department Signature Listing for the Building Services and Planning and Development Services Department be accepted, as per County Policy; and further,

That the revised Department Signature Listing supercede all previous signing authorities.

3. As part of the County's emergency planning, Mark Wetering, Emergency Management Coordinator, has been assembling data from public and private sources with respect to critical infrastructure. As part of this data gathering, some private service providers require a non-disclosure agreement with the County to ensure their data is treated with the necessary confidentiality. This is currently the case with cellular telephone providers. Mark is working with Rogers and Bell Mobility to acquire information on cell sites as well as coverage areas for each tower. Rather than bringing each non-disclosure agreement to committee, I am proposing that the Warden and Clerk be authorized to execute non-disclosure agreements with any party that may require same for information to be utilized in the preparation of the County's emergency planning database. Of course, all non-disclosure agreements will be reviewed by County legal staff prior to forwarding same to the Warden and Clerk for execution.

PART C **Other Matters Requiring a Motion** (continued)

Recommendation

That the Warden and Clerk be authorized to execute non-disclosure agreements, as necessary, with parties whose data will form part of the County's critical infrastructure database utilized in the preparation of an Emergency Plan; and further

That all non-disclosure agreements will be reviewed and approved by the County legal department prior to the Warden and Clerk executing same.

SOCIAL & HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION
GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

August 18, 2004

SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

PART A **Follow-up from Previous Month(s)**

1. Motion #7 of the Infrastructure & Development/Social & Health Services Committee meeting dated June 16, 2004. *Bradley/Case: That Council approve a 3% increase and that staff bring back a further report at the next regular meeting of the Committee, which contains a plan which looks at occupancy rates and moving to full cost recovery by December, 2005.*

Please refer to the attached memorandum in reference to the above noted report.

PART B **Monthly Activities**

1. Accounts and Verification

Total for the month of June \$2,516,640.82

- i) Are there any items significantly over Budget? *Yes
- ii) Are there any items significantly under Budget? No
- iii) Were all items purchased in accordance with County Policy? Yes
- iv) Are there any items that were not in the Budget? No

**Monthly client benefit expenditures and monthly Provincial billings for the Ontario Disability Support Program are greater than budgeted. A full analysis is being undertaken and will be reported on through the approved variance report process, in September 2004.*

2. Revenue and Verification

Revenues received during the month of June \$7,150,466.00

- i) Were any receipts not included in the current year's budget? No
- ii) Were any receipts significantly less than budgeted? *No
- iii) Were any receipts significantly more than budgeted? No

**Revenue was not decreased during the specific reporting period, however, please refer to Part C, Other Matters Requiring a Motion (Item#2) regarding employment assistance funding reduction anticipated in 2004. Further details will be reported on through the approved variance report process in September 2004. Additionally staff has been informed of a new claim process for equipment rental (computer leasing). Sufficient detail is not yet available to fully determine the amount of any additional revenue.*

PART B **Monthly Activities (continued)**3. Items of Committee Interesta) Children's Services Department – Statistical Report

Number of Children, by Age Groups

Age Group	Age	# of Children July 30, 2003	# of Children July 30, 2004
Infant	0 – 17 months	45	34
Toddler	18 – 31 months	101	67
Preschool	32 months – 5 yr.	289	243
Kindergarten	5 – 6 years	119	101
School Age	6 – 9 years	163	175
Other	Over 9 years	84	76
TOTAL		801	696

Total Exits (Children) in July

Age Group	Age	# of Children July 30, 2003	# of Children July 30, 2004
Infant	0 – 17 months	9	1
Toddler	18 – 31 months	20	6
Preschool	32 months – 5 yr.	21	20
Kindergarten	5 – 6 years	5	6
School Age	6 – 9 years	15	17
Other	Over 9 years	6	8
TOTAL		76	58

b) Ontario Works Assistance - Pregnancy Nutritional Allowance

Regulation amendments have been made effective June 25, 2004 to restore a pregnancy nutritional allowance of \$40.00 month or \$50.00 month (non-dairy) for pregnant women in receipt of social assistance for the duration of the pregnancy. This nutritional allowance is anticipated to have a minimal impact on the 2004/2005 budget.

PART B **Monthly Activities (continued)**c) Social Services Department – Statistical Report

The attached Ontario Works statistical report is for the month of July 2004. The decrease of 8 cases represents a decrease of 0.47% over the previous month. Year-to-date, the caseload has increased by 10.35% with the average caseload at 113.0 cases per caseworker.

Month	Budget Estimate	Actual
December, 2001		1,770
December, 2002		1,534
December 2003	1,536	1,536
January 2004	1,536	1,577
February 2004	1,536	1,582
March 2004	1,536	1,640
April 2004	1,536	1,640
May 2004	1,536	1,672
June 2004	1,536	1,703
July 2004	1,536	

d) Social Services Department - Ontario Works Compliance Review

Last month, Committee was advised of a potential employment assistance funding issue identified by provincial Program Review Officers (PRO) conducting a follow-up to the 2001/2002 Ontario Works annual *Compliance Review*. Committee was informed that if the PRO recommendations were implemented that the financial impact to the Social Services Department could be as high as \$220,000.00 gross or \$44,000.00 net. Staff were to wait for the formal results of the audit and report back to Committee with recommendations.

The final audit report was received on July 15, 2004 and as expected it contained recommendations for employment placement reporting that if implemented would reduce performance based service level funding. However, the announcement in June that Ontario Works will transition to outcomes based funding versus service level funding in 2004 appears to have eliminated the concern. The ministry has verbally advised that there should be no retroactive recovery.

Staff will forward a response to the Ministry regarding a plan of action for the audit recommendations that reflects the move to an outcome-based funding framework.

PART B **Monthly Activities (continued)**

e) Social Services Department - Ontario Works Assistance, Rate Increase

Last month, Committee was advised that the Ontario budget announcement included a 3% rate increase in basic needs and shelter for Ontario Works and Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) recipients and that there would be an implementation delay due to Service Delivery Model Technology (SDMT) programming difficulties.

The Ministry has advised that the 2004 3% increase will be accomplished through two lump sum payments that will be made in October and December 2004 to Ontario Works recipients, and in September and November for ODSP recipients. It is anticipated that the rate increase will be fully implemented in SDMT with the February 28, 2005 ODSP and March 1, 2005 Ontario Works payments. The lump sum payments will be fully funded by the province in 2004, with regular 80:20 provincial/municipal cost sharing on the rate increase commencing March 2005.

f) Social Services Department - Pay It Forward Lambton

The Pay It Forward Lambton steering committee began January 16, 2004 when representatives from several local agencies traveled to Chatham to listen to Maureen Geddes speak about Capacity Building and Pay It Forward.

“To “*Pay It Forward*” is to do a service for someone, and ask that person to pay the kindness forward instead of paying it back. If each person pays it forward to three people, and they paid it forward to three more, it keeps growing. Together we can make a difference.”

This project involves numerous local agencies such as Youth Start, Board of Education, Sarnia-Lambton Training Board, United Way, and local volunteers. Social Planning and Program staff have been invited to participate. The steering committee will be launching “*Pay It Forward Lambton*” week, October 18-22, 2004. The steering committee has a number of activities planned to involve residents throughout Lambton County.

PART B **Monthly Activities (continued)**

A Trillium Grant Proposal requesting three year funding has been applied for to support this project. A web site www.payitforwardlambton.com is up and running.

As the Kick Off to “*Pay It Forward Lambton*” Week the steering committee would like to approach both County and City Council in October to engage Council’s endorsement in support of this community capacity building endeavor.

g) Social Services Department – Program Reviews

A recent article (attached) in The Association of Day Care Operations of Ontario (ADCO) magazine discussed a Program Review/Audit the author’s childcare agency recently went through with the County. The County was praised in the article first for conducting such a review but then also for how the review was conducted by allowing “opportunity for dialogue.”

4. General Manager’s Report

Recommendation

That the General Manager’s Report as set out in Part A and Part B be accepted as presented.

PART C **Other Matters Requiring a Motion**

1. Correspondence

- a) 9-15-04 Association of Municipalities of Ontario – July 15, 2004 “Alert” regarding the McGuinty Government announcement concerning the release of \$58.2 million Federal Child Care Transfer Funds.
- b) 9-16-04 OMSSA July 14, 2004 letter to Minister Papatello, Minister of Community & Social Services and accompanying report entitled *Simplification of Ontario Works* containing 13 recommendations for simplifying the Ontario Works program.

PART C **Other Matters Requiring a Motion (continued)**

- c) 9-17-04 Correspondence from the Ministry of Community & Social Services dated July 6, 2004 regarding upcoming changes in the Social Assistance system.
- d) 9-18-04 Ministry of Community & Social Services 'Bulletin 2004-06 Revised June 30, 2004' regarding Emergency Hostel Per Diem Rate Increase, advising that the maximum per diem payable to emergency hostel operators will increase by 3%. Agreements are in place and will only be amended on the request of the current providers.
- e) 9-19-04 OMSSA June 30, 2004 letter to Kevin Constante, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Community & Social Services regarding recent Ontario Works initiatives.
- f) 9-20-04 OMSSA June 25, 2004 letter to Minister Papatello, Minister of Community & Social Services regarding recent initiatives undertaken in the Ontario Works program, including employment outcome measures and funding.
- g) 9-21-04 Human Resources and Skills Development Canada 'Labour Market Bulletin, April-June, 2004' noting the unemployment rate in the Sarnia-Windsor area edged up to 8.3% reaching a two year high.
- h) 9-22-04 OMSSA Zone 1 presents '*Communicating in a Diverse World*' seminar, October 6 & 7, 2004.

Recommendation

That correspondence 9-15-04, correspondence 9-16-04, correspondence 9-17-04, correspondence 9-18-04, correspondence 9-19-04, correspondence 9-20-04, correspondence 9-21-04, and correspondence 9-22-04 be noted and filed.

2. **Social Services Department - Employment Funding Potential Shortfall**

The Department was advised June 22, 2004 that the Ministry has capped employment assistance funding at 80% of the 2003 gross expenditures (\$1,634,113.00 x 80%) or \$1,307,290. This is down from 2003 funding of \$1,524,249.

PART C **Other Matters Requiring a Motion (continued)**

The 2004 revenue in the County budget was forecasted at \$1,533,456. The capped amount represents a shortfall of \$226,166.00 in provincial revenue which will impact the year end surplus/deficit position.

The Department continues to institute improvements in the Ontario Works employment program and had the funding formula remained constant an estimated \$1,700,000.00 in revenue would have been generated based on the 1st quarter claim.

In addition, the Ministry has advised that employment assistance funding will change from a performance based service level approach to an outcomes based funding model. In 2004, municipalities will be required to work towards negotiated targets focusing on one specific outcome – increased employment earnings. The ministry has indicated they will consult with local service system managers on further developing the use of outcome measures in Ontario Works. In 2004, funding has been capped and is not tied to meeting the increased employment earnings outcome measure or service level performance.

Staff attended an emergency meeting of the Southwest Region Strategic Management Group on June 30, 2004 in London, Ontario and a series of 28 questions have been forwarded to the Ontario Works Branch for clarification. The message delivered at this meeting as well as the June Ontario Works Forum held in Toronto was one of restraint, not reduction. It appears that the intent of the funding cap was to maintain funding at 2003 levels. However municipalities, including Lambton, that were working towards maximizing the available employment service level planning envelope, were negatively impacted.

The lack of consultation regarding the capped funding and the mid year decision runs counter to the agreement that the Government of Ontario has with the municipal sector via the Memorandum of Understanding and the recently introduced legislation. Staff met with the Program Supervisor in July regarding the reduction in 2004 employment assistance funding and further meetings are scheduled in August.

Recommendation

That Council direct staff to petition the Ministry to reinstate Lambton's Employment Assistance funding at the 2003 level.

SOCIAL & HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION
GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

August 18, 2004

COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT

PART A **Follow-up from Previous Month(s)**

1. No matters to report at this time.

PART B **Monthly Activities**

1. Accounts and Verification

Total for the month of July \$168,461.91

A listing of the accounts will be available at the meeting.

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| i) | Are there any items significantly over Budget? | No |
| ii) | Are there any items significantly under Budget? | No |
| iii) | Were all items purchased in accordance with County Policy? | Yes |
| iv) | Are there any items that were not in the Budget? | No |

2. Revenue and Verification

Revenues received during the month of July \$608,204.00

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| i) | Were any receipts not included in the current year's budget? | No |
| ii) | Were any receipts significantly less than budgeted? | *Yes |
| iii) | Were any receipts significantly more than budgeted? | No |

**The Ministry of Health & Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) committed \$100 million over 5 years for West Nile virus prevention and control. An additional \$13 million was added during the 2003 season. The 2004 provincial budget remains fixed at \$20 million. In order to achieve the provincial budget of \$20 million, budget allocations to each health unit/department have been reduced by 22%. On June 30, 2004, 80% of the funding will be flowed. The remaining 20% will be flowed on an "as-needed basis" in September following an August report. Individual budget issues will be handled on a case by case basis. In light of the reduced funding, staff has adjusted the 2004 activities to reflect the MoHLTC approval. Barring unforeseen issues or the need to apply a third application to catch basins a levy surplus of \$18,000.00 is anticipated.*

PART B **Monthly Activities (continued)**

WNV -COST BY ACTIVITY January to December 2004	Total Submission	269,507 Approved	Estimated Actual
Planning for Control Measures (includes Training)	22,481	15,000	15,000
Mapping	5,000	5,000	5,000
External WNV Contracts			
Larviciding	95,000	95,000	95,000
Surveillance			
Avian	17,000	17,000	17,000
Larval	37,927	25,000	25,000
Adult Mosquito	50,000	42,889	42,889
Human	10,000	10,000	10,000
Public Education (please specify)	1,364	59,618	59,618
Other Costs (list)			
TOTAL	308,772	269,507	269,507

3. Items of Committee InterestFood Safety

Food vendors at the Canada Day Celebrations, Ribfest, and Bayfest were inspected. Over 50 inspections were conducted during these events. Generally, conditions at food booths were satisfactory.

Five food handlers were certified after completing the Home Study Course.

Communicable Disease /Outbreak Control

This month, there have been two reported cases of E. Coli 0157.H7, both in the same family, and at least seven cases of other food-borne illnesses.

One case of typhoid fever in a traveler was identified and contained.

PART B **Monthly Activities (continued)**

Summer is the time for barbecues and picnics, but also unfortunately the season for more frequent food-borne illnesses. Frequently, there is not enough care in food preparation and/or storage, to prevent contamination and to keep foods at appropriate temperatures to prevent infection. Food borne illnesses can be serious, particularly in the very young, the elderly, and those who are already medically at high risk.

Safe Water

A Boil Water Advisory was issued to an area seasonal trailer park and remains in effect.

Smoke Free Lambton Implementation Plan - Enforcement

Recruitment of the Enforcement Officers has been completed. Training of the officers is underway and they received a detailed training manual which outlines duties, procedures and forms for use during the course of their work. Training in upcoming weeks will include visits to other municipalities to job shadow their enforcement staff as well as familiarization with the County's By-Law and training manuals.

The approved Smoke Free By-Law Implementation Plan involves a three phase approach to enforcement. *Phase 1- Education*, includes distribution of Education packages to 10% of workplace/public places in Lambton County, has been completed. At this stage, any questions/enquiries pertaining to enforcement of the By-Law will be answered. *Phase 2-Education/Warning* involves enforcement officers being visible in the community conducting inspections, and assessing premises for compliance. Written warnings will be issued at this time if infractions are observed. *Phase 3-Active Enforcement* entails enforcement staff conducting follow up inspections for non-compliance and encouraging a zero tolerance to premises issued warning/tickets.

West Nile Virus

Two group information sessions were held during the month of July at Union Gas (Dawn Operations Centre) and Clean Harbours.

The public information sessions held in the rural communities had greater attendance than the larger urban communities. Six sessions were held for eight municipalities. The municipalities that agreed to host these events included

PART B **Monthly Activities (continued)**

Lambton Shores, Brooke-Alvinston, Dawn-Euphemia, Enniskillen, Oil Springs, Plympton-Wyoming, Sarnia and St. Clair Township.

There were forty-seven reports of dead bird sightings in July, bringing the total dead bird sightings to 240. Nineteen birds have been submitted for testing in 2004. To date, one bird has tested positive for West Nile virus.

Adult mosquito trapping was conducted once a week for the month of July across the County. Approximately 20 different mosquito species have been identified thus far. No positive mosquito pools have been identified.

St. Clair Parks Commission began the second application of larvicide (methoprene) to approximately 13,500 catch basins on July 21, 2004. A larvicide efficacy study has begun to find out how long methoprene is active.

There have been 30 stagnant water complaints on private property and 14 municipal stagnant water complaints received between May 25th and July 23rd. The local municipal office is contacted when complaints involving municipal property are received. Department staff work closely with municipal staff to rectify the problem.

Sexual Health

Three presentations on birth control were given by sexual health nurses. Clients took part in discussions and had many worthwhile questions.

A total of 853 clients presented at clinics held in all three offices; 586 clients attended nursing clinics and 267 clients attended physician clinics.

Vaccine Preventable Diseases

Travel clinics continue to be very busy, with residents planning trips to various locations.

In preparation for the 2004 flu clinic season, a list of proposed clinic sites was sent to all municipal clerks to ask for their input into any additional suggestions for clinic sites, and to follow-up on a meeting with the clerks in the late fall of 2003.

PART B **Monthly Activities (continued)**

Rabies

Thirty-five reports of animal bites in Lambton were investigated and one individual received post-exposure rabies vaccine having been bitten by a stray animal that was not available for rabies testing.

A media release was issued regarding rabies risk from infected bats.

5. General Manager's Report

Recommendation

That the General Manager's Report as set out in Part A and Part B be accepted as presented.

PART C **Other Matters Requiring a Motion**

1. Correspondence

- a) 9-25-04 News Release dated July 15, 2004 from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care regarding the Muskoka-Parry Sound Board of Health.
- b) 9-26-04 Correspondence from the Sudbury & District Health Unit advocating to the Premier of Ontario for the need to develop public policies to eliminate child poverty and related health effects by creating a universal child dental program.
- c) 9-27--04 Correspondence from the Sudbury & District Health Unit asserting the Premier and the Minister of Health & Long-Term Care include core public health functions (health promotion, injury prevention, and family health) be included in the mandate of the new Health Protection and Promotion Agency.

Recommendation

That correspondence 9-25-04 and correspondence 9-27-04, be noted and filed, and further, that Council support correspondence 9-26-04 concerning the universal child dental program.

PART C **Other Matters Requiring a Motion (continued)**

2. Smoke Free By-Law Implementation- Education Plan

The following is an update to the June 2004 Committee report regarding the Education Plan for the Smoke Free By-Law.

Education

- 3,400 education packages were delivered to all businesses, public places and workplaces in the County. Of these, approximately 300 were hand-delivered by health inspectors to food premises such as restaurants, bars and pubs. The rest were sent by mail. The mail-out included churches and halls. Copies of the kits were also sent to each municipality. Response to the packages has been good, as detailed below.
- Four public meetings were held to inform business owners about the By-Law. Attendance was small but interested. It may be partly due to the fact that the business owners had already received their packages and felt they had sufficient information.
- A separate voice mail box has been established and over 140 telephone calls have been received to date. Typical telephone inquiries have been questions about the Designated Outdoor Smoking Area Guidelines, requests for extra signage, and clarification questions.

A section of the www.lambtonhealth.on.ca web site has been dedicated to the By-Law. This has proved to be an efficient means of sharing detailed information, and in the month of June, the following statistics were recorded: over 2000 visits were made to the By-Law section, an average of 66 per day. 330 copies of the Technical Report were downloaded, 200 copies of the by-law, 115 copies of the complete Education Kit, as well as 86 copies of the Designated Outdoor Smoking Area Policy Guidelines.

In addition to good coverage by local media on the By-Law, the above numbers demonstrate that information about the By-Law is available in a variety of formats, and that there is considerable interest. The vast majority of people inquiring have a sincere desire to prepare for the By-Law and have indicated that they wish to be in compliance. Staff has been working diligently to provide this information in a professional and timely manner.

PART C **Other Matters Requiring a Motion (continued)**

Recommendation

That the Smoke Free Lambton – Education Plan Update, be accepted as presented.

3. Summary of the Canadian Community Health Survey Release

The Canadian Community Health Survey (CCHS) is a survey which is done by Statistics Canada on a two year cycle providing regular and timely information of health determinants, health status, and health system utilization for Canada. Random household residents from all provinces and territories are asked questions on many issues and the results are extrapolated to the population.

The attached memorandum references Lambton's findings.

Recommendation

That the report – Summary of the Canadian Community Health Survey Release – Lambton Findings be received and filed.