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Petrolia plans \$9.2 M reno to Victoria Hall

Town to ask Lambton for \$1M contribution to build

Heather Wright
The Independent

Petrolia’s iconic Victoria Hall may be getting a major facelift and the town wants Lambton County taxpayers to help foot the bill.

The town has long discussed making the building, which holds Victoria Playhouse, more accessible. The building has one elevator and one entrance ramp for people visiting the theater or going to town hall. The stage area is completely inaccessible to anyone with a wheelchair and changes are needed to provide more accessible wash-rooms.

In 2018, a theater consultant reimagined how the building could be improved suggesting a large addition, moving the municipal offices out of the building and creating a second more intimate stage. That \$50,000 report was never brought back to council in its final form after taxpayers expressed concerns about the ideas.

Laurissa Ellsworth, director of marketing arts and communication in Petrolia, says the new plan would see town services based out of Victoria Hall, however the town council chamber may be moved to a new two-storey building proposed on the site of the current rehearsal hall. It would also contain a props and staging area for the theater and would be linked to the current building with a series of hallways.

The plans also call for two new elevators, one to access the service doors to the stage on the second floor. Now, props and sets are brought to the door with a man lift. The second elevator would be for theater patrons on the Victoria Park side of town hall. Ellsworth says it would bring patrons to every floor, including the balcony. “If we do have seats available... it’s often time in the balcony and those who need assistance, often times, they just can’t get up there.”

Ellsworth estimates the town will need about \$3 million to address accessibility issues alone.

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THE RED TAKES SILVER



BRUCE SMITH PHOTO

Eduardo Olaya had the best finish among LCCVI athletes at the Sarnia Invitational Wrestling meet at St. Pat’s in Sarnia. He finished second in the boys 67.5 kg. classification losing to an opponent from Windsor in the final. Gavin Johnstone of the Lancers placed third in the 130 kg. class, with LCCVI’s Megan Jaques and Emil Makimaattila both placing fourth in their weight classes. The event featured 350 competitors from Sarnia-Lambton, Windsor, Hamilton, the Soo, Michigan and a team from Calgary.

Past Petrolia council covers up Fleming’s findings

Heather Wright
The Independent

Petrolia councillors in power during the departure of CAO Manny Baron made sure taxpayers would never know what happened.

According to current Mayor Brad Loosley, the council of the day signed a non-disclosure document with Baron which legally binds council from releasing any details of what happened.

The non-disclosure agreement came to light Monday after resident Larry Highfield

asked councillors why the report by investigator John Fleming into the circumstances around Baron’s dismissal has still not been released.

Baron left Petrolia’s top job after The Independent found he owned two buildings being used for town purposes without disclosing it to council. Documents later showed at least \$5,000 was paid to Baron’s numbered company for rent.

Highfield said he represented “senior taxpayers” who wanted to know what is in the report.

Loosley explained council would be

discussing the matter privately later in the evening after receiving a ruling from the Information and Privacy Commission (IPC) on a long-standing appeal on the case.

For the past two years, *The Independent* has worked through the Freedom of Information Act and the privacy commission to have the report, Baron’s resignation letter and his severance package released to the public. In December, the IPC ruled the report was part of Baron’s work record so under the Freedom of Information Act, it did not have to be released.

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Fleming’s CAO findings sealed

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Baron’s severance package will be re-leased to The Independent later this month. Loosley told Highfield Monday that “none of the new councilors have seen the (Fleming) report.”

When questioned by *The Independent* after the meeting, Loosley revealed the previous council had signed a non-disclosure agreement with Baron to keep the document out of public view.

“There is the issue of litigation if we do release it,” says Loosley. “Legally, we’re not supposed to do that.”

But the mayor admits to being conflicted about the non-disclosure agreement. “I have to question, do I satisfy the 5,000 people and take a risk of being sued or we just hold tight,” he said.

And while the current council’s hands appear to be legally tied, Loosley says he had

not considered if the town could provide some details of lessons learned from the incident and how the town’s policies have changed to ensure something similar cannot happen in the future.

“I haven’t given a lot of thought to that... but I can say, as long as I’m mayor, those things will not happen.”

The Fleming report led to Baron’s termination. He later became CAO in Mapleton on the recommendation of then mayor, John McCharles. He still holds the position today.

The OPP charged Baron with breach of public trust in March 2018. Baron participated in the Direct Accountability Program, admitting he made an administrative error and paying \$1,000 to charity. On Sept. 7, 2018, the crown withdrew the charges in a brief court appearance where the details of the charge were never entered into the record.

Petrolia council passes 2020 budget

The Independent

Second try is a charm.

Petrolia Council passed its 2020 budget Monday night.

The \$7.48 million operating and capital budget was turned down in December after Councillor Wade Deighton voiced concerns about the lack of details in the working capital fund. He wanted to see specific outlines of how the money would be spent.

There was no discussion of those concerns, however Councillor Marty Souch did vote against the budget. He asked to see

detailed numbers from the operation of the Greenwood Recreation Centre. Souch tells The Independent he believes there could be savings in the budget. But his formal request to council failed with Mayor Brad Loosley first casting a yes vote but changing his mind after a few words off microphone with the CAO, Rick Charlebois.

There will be no municipal tax increase this year. With the median price of a home in Petrolia at just under \$200,000, that means most homeowners will pay over about \$3,124 before any increases in the value of their homes.

Petrolia to ask county for reno cash

CON’T FROM PG 1

There would also be improvements to the theater lobby. Ellsworth says the current plans see the town building some washrooms behind the current building and reconfiguring the parking lot. The current council chambers would be renovated into a larger lobby area and there are plans for a permanent art gallery. The Victoria Hall Art Committee currently uses the bar area and council chambers for its shows.

The council chambers, Ellsworth says, would be moved to a new, two-storey building on the site of the current rehearsal hall.

“On the main floor you would probably see council chambers move in for accessibility and also to provide more lobby space for this facility,” she says

“It is in the tentative plans to strip the maple out of here and put it in there to be very respectful of what’s here. We just want to be respectful.”



HEATHER WRIGHT PHOTO

Petrolia plans a \$9.2 million renovation of Victoria Hall including a new rehearsal hall which would also house council chambers.

“We bring a lot of tourism into this county and those people wouldn’t be coming in if we didn’t have this theater,” says Mayor Brad Loosley, who is also the town’s representative on county council. That benefits other Lambton County communities.

“The perfect example is we don’t have any hotels...we’re getting three to five busses every day - the most is six - ...when you say half need a place to stay over, they stay over somewhere within this county - usually Pt. Edward or Sarnia. It is an advantage to keep this thing moving in a positive direction to attract people so that the whole county benefits.”

Petrolia will make its pitch to the county Feb. 5.

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Warwick plans to design new office

The Independent

As the old buildings come down, Warwick is preparing for a new municipal office.

Watford Investment Group is tearing down a full block on Nauvoo Road, planning to rebuild. Warwick Township will be the main tenant for the block of buildings. Township Treasurer Trevor Jarrett says there will be three separate buildings with walkways to parking in the back.

The township will occupy the building near the Bank of Montreal. It will likely be about 5,000 to 7,500 square feet, he says. Another tenant for the building on the corner of Nauvoo and Front is expected to be announced this month.

Jarrett says council has agreed to work with an architect on a design - either someone the township hires or with the developer. He adds council has told the investment company it is comfortable with a yearly lease of between \$85,000 and \$100,000 per year.

The project could be complete this year.

WANT FRIES WITH THAT?



HEATHER WRIGHT PHOTO

The sign for the fry truck in Bridgeview Park stands in the middle of the flooding of the flats. The St. Clair Region Conservation Authority issued a flood watch after about 55 mm of rain fell over the weekend. The McKeough Dam was activated to avoid flooding in Wallaceburg. A number of roads in St. Clair Township were flooded. Officials asked residents to stay way from riverbanks which are slippery since the water is still moving swiftly.

High Park appeals edibles zoning decision

Heather Wright
The Independent

It's a case Enniskillen Mayor Kevin Marriott expects will be watched by municipalities and cannabis companies across Canada.

High Park Farms is appealing Enniskillen Council's decision to deny the Lasalle Line greenhouse the zoning to produce cannabis infused candy and chocolate. The company said the move - which is expected to create 40 jobs - is allowable in the agricultural zoning because it is a value-added farm product.

But several councillors disagreed saying it was a commercial operation which should not be allowed in an agricultural zoning.

They also voiced concern that neighbours of the cannabis operation still had concerns about the odour coming from the greenhouse and they should be addressed before expansion was allowed.

So, on Jan. 9, the company sent the township its notice that it would take the issue to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal.

Marriott isn't surprised by the move. He says this is a discussion taking place all over Canada.

"That's the big argument; is it agriculture or is it industrial," he says.

The former provincial Liberal government termed it agriculture and Marriott says it appears this government is going the same way. But he says he understands why communities are struggling with cannabis zoning.

"It's a hard thing," he says. "I can see their point because agriculture means growing

something, whether it is food or medicinal or recreational. It's a tough one. Do they become a separate class completely?"

Marriott expects cannabis operators are watching this appeal as will municipal governments struggling with the same issues.


Enniskillen will soon get to share some of their concerns about cannabis operations in agricultural areas with a new group for host communities. Three members of council will attend the first meeting of the province-wide group Jan.21. The group wants to help the federal and provincial government shape policy on the industry and share experiences with other municipalities.

One issue they may talk about is Enniskillen's proposal to use existing Minimum Distance Separation Guidelines used for livestock operations with cannabis operation. Councillor Judy Krall hoped that would help keep homeowners from dealing with the odours coming from any new production.

But Agriculture Minister Ernie Hardeman seemed to nix the idea in a letter to council. He says municipalities can deal with setbacks to new operations under the current zoning rules. Those rules are not required when an existing greenhouse is converted to cannabis.

"The Minimum Distance Separation Guidelines were designed to reduce the odour impacts of livestock operations," he writes. "At this time OMAFRA is not considering expanding the guidelines to other types of agriculture."

Several municipalities in Lambton County backed Enniskillen's calls for a new standard.



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3. Appoint auditors.
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Editorial

Petrolia’s final slap in the face

We supposed Petrolia residents should not be surprised.

Mayor Brad Loosley revealed Monday what many had suspected for the last two years; the council during the 2017 debacle with its CAO deliberately hid from the public what actually went on. And they did it in a very permanent way.

Loosley revealed that new members of council have not been able to review the report of Investigator John Fleming and then further told *The Independent* it was because the council of the day and the former administrator signed a non-disclosure agreement about his departure, hiding Fleming’s report from public view forever.

That makes us wonder what is in it? What happened that taxpayers, who paid the salary of the CAO, can’t see? How badly did the system fail? And did Fleming articulate how the people we elect utterly failed to do their job of overseeing the CAO’s actions? That might have been enough for the councillors to say yes to a non-disclosure agreement.

Some may ask why does this matter; the privacy commissioner says the document can’t be released anyway. That’s true. The adjudicator did rule it was part of the CAO’s work record and therefore under the Freedom of Information Act is protected.

The issue the callous way elected officials put their own interests and the interests of an employee being fired ahead of those of the taxpayers. They deliberately hid what happened with the non-disclosure agreement.

Politicians, who are supposed to represent taxpayers, instead gave the ultimate protection to the man they fired and likely, in doing so, covered their own butts as well. Not one person who voted for that agreement has any right at this point to say they believe in open government. They signed that right away.

Municipalities who don’t want to be held accountable are likely taking notes and people who long for open, accountable government worry this sets a dangerous precedent.

Petrolia’s non-disclosure agreement was a final slap in the face to taxpayers in this whole, sorry mess.

Letters to the Editor

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Our Story



PHOTO VIA LOST LAMBTON FOUND

Florence once had a very active downtown with more than a dozen buildings including a tailor and a local hotel making the hamlet a happening place. Local historian Steve Loxton says fire claimed many of the buildings and few were rebuilt.

Politician, historian, journalist, farmer; Phair will be missed

I don’t really remember when I met John Phair. He has just always seemed to be around.

Perhaps that’s why I was so surprised when the likeable freelance journalist, politician and historian passed away Jan. 5. It seemed odd to think that I wouldn’t run into John at events anymore.

John made his home in Lambton County. He farmed here, ran businesses here and was part of two municipal council’s. He served four terms in Petrolia and was part of the committee which led the reconstruction the iconic Victoria Hall after the fire.

When I started *The Independent*, he was serving on Enniskillen Township council. I didn’t cover a lot of those meetings, but when John did speak, he usually drew on past experience and could remember details others couldn’t.

John’s love of politics was deep. He was a long-time Conservative and loyal to his party. He carried its banner in 2000 in Sarnia-Lambton garnering 6,000 votes in a field that contained two other conservative parties at the

time. While he would talk politics, he didn’t smack you over the head with his Conservative ideals. I do, vividly remember one time John talking about some of the “near communist ideas” in Canadian politics.

I really got to know John as a freelance journalist. John used his love of agriculture well, writing hundreds of articles for *Today’s Farmer*. He would even travel to the US for big conferences – partly I think to escape Lambton’s cold winters as well as learn something new.

He was interested in almost everything and so he would cover events occasionally for community newspapers as well.

John was a fixture among Lambton county media, particularly at any agriculture related event. He would often come along side me at an event as we were waiting for it to begin and say hello. He had a very unique way of speaking – almost a slow drawl– I can’t remember him ever speaking in a loud voice.

He would link what was going on to someone or thing of the past. “I remember...” he would start and he

would tell you something funny or unbelievable and it was always astute.

John’s knowledge of local history was astounding. He had his own website for a long time, which I would often read to make sure I had my facts right. John’s facts were always on the money.

He knew everyone – living and dead - more people than the famed Lorne Henderson according to the former MPP himself. That’s saying quite a bit.

But I think the true measure of John Phair is how many people have come up to me after his death to thank me for writing about his life. Almost all were choked up when they talked to me about him. All said he was such a good friend, a gentleman. All said how much John Phair will be missed.



Heather Wright



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GENERATING INTEREST



GLENN OGILVIE PHOTO

Three heavy duty backhoes are used to chip away the concrete foundation for the first of four huge 300 ton generators at the Lambton Generating Station. JMX Contracting has been pulling down the powerhouse of the former coal generating plant since the fall. The work on the main building may be completed in the spring.

Ferguson Estates gets green light in PW

Heather Wright
The Independent

After months of bickering and intense council meetings, Plympton-Wyoming has given approval for Ferguson Estates to operate. Matthew Ferguson runs Ferguson Estates - an event venue on the site of the former Bonnie Doon Golf Course. At the suggestion of town staff, he also plans to put in a driving range and a corn maze. That means he won't have to rezone the property but he does need a site plan and that has taken months to work out. Neighbours questioned whether if the property is properly zoned as an open space, even with a driving range, since the golf course isn't operating any more. And Elizabeth Bellavance and Keith Douglas are worried about noise from weddings and special events telling council they could clearly hear the parties when two weddings and a family gathering were held earlier this year. Lambton County Planner, Sarah Baldwin, says it is properly zoned and

she devised a noise monitoring plan which would have required the owners to keep the noise below 50 decibels at all times. Ferguson told council Dec. 11 that's a concern since an idling tractor creates 80 decibels of noise. Mayor Lonny Napper says Ferguson Estates should not be the only business subject to noise regulation. He believes there should be a town-wide noise bylaw and a bylaw enforcement officer to deal with complaints. Brian Duxbury, the lawyer for Bellavance and Douglas, wasn't sure the monitoring system would work and asked for an outside consultant to look at the venue. He also believe the zoning on the property isn't right because the driving range isn't the same as a golf course and the event venue appears to be the main business. Ferguson Estates had been marketing itself as a wedding venue. In Dec. Deputy Mayor Muriel Wright was concerned enough about the zoning, she asked for the matter to be deferred for the third time so the town's lawyer could be consulted on the issue. Before the Jan. 7 council meeting,

Plympton-Wyoming officials met behind closed doors to discuss the legal opinion for over an hour. When the open council meeting began, Councillor Tim Wilkins moved the approval, saying the noise restrictions would be removed and the owners would be reminded they needed a building permit if they wanted to put up an event tent outdoors. CAO Carolyn Tripp says that is required under the building code. Before the vote, Councillor Netty McEwen made sure the company would be operating a driving range or a trail before it had anymore events at the site. And Wright added she agreed to the approval because the town's lawyer agreed this was the proper zoning for the property. The site plan was approved unanimously. "At the end of the day with a little consideration of your neighbours, this is the best use of the property - it is good for the town it is good for you folks...use your cooperation and be good neighbours and it will go well," added Napper.

Charges laid in Warwick New Years Day drug bust

A 33 year -old Warwick Township man is facing drug charges after OPP raided a home on Nauvoo Road. Lambton OPP say the Community Street Crimes Unit of the OPP executed a warrant in the 5000 block of Nauvoo Road on New Years' Day. The officers found what they suspect is methamphetamine, fentanyl, stolen property and some electronics.

Brendon Bolduc was charged with two counts of possession of stolen property, two counts of possession of a controlled drug, and two counts of failing to comply with bail conditions. He'll be back in court Feb. 6. Meantime, a 21 year-old Sarnia man faces racing charges. Lambton OPP were enforcing the speed limit on Highway 40 in St. Clair

Township Jan. 9 when a car blew by doing over 60 km/h over the speed limit. The man was arrested, his licence suspended for seven days and his vehicle impounded for seven days.



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Dawn-Euphemia eyes budget cuts

Heather Wright
The Independent

Dawn-Euphemia’s mayor says councillors will be looking for ways to trim the 2020’s 6.4 per cent proposed tax increase.

The township’s treasurer, Scott Gawley, laid out the draft \$3.8 million document Monday saying about three per cent of the increase is out of the township’s control.

About two per cent of that increase is due to a cut in Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund grants. The township is also

struggling with a 20 per cent jump in insurance rates, partly due to the fire at the Florence library, and a sizable increase in the St. Clair Region Conservation Authority levy. It has also faced provincial cutbacks and passed those along to the member municipalities.

“That’s a three per cent increase without even looking at our own stuff,” says Mayor Al Broad. “A 6.4 per cent increase is never a good way to start budget.”

There are also a number of local priorities. Councillors would

like to spend almost \$100,000 more for road work. In the past, council cut the amount of gravel it bought to save money. “We hear some minor complaints now that roads aren’t as nice as they used to be,” says Broad.

“Gravel is our single biggest expense and it is also the easiest thing to cut back on...it takes a fair bit of money to keep it up.”

Broad says councillors will be combing through the document a number of times to try to find savings and lower the impact on taxpayers.

Shoreline protection rules to be streamlined

Heather Wright
The Independent

The St. Clair Region Conservation Authority seems ready to make it easier to get approval to fix shoreline erosion.

That from Kristen Rodrigues the spokesperson Shoreline Erosion Collective Coalition.

The group of lakefront homeowners from Sarnia to Grand Bend formed out of frustration. Individual landowners were approaching the St. Clair Region Conservation Authority with plans to shore up their piece of the waterfront to protect their investment, only to spend tens of thousands of dollars and end up mired in red tape.

Rodrigues says the lakeshore residents have “horror stor-

ies” of trying to deal with the St. Clair Region Conservation Authority to find a fix.

In the last week, Rodrigues and some of the homeowners have met with municipal officials and the authority to talk about the problems.

Rodrigues also took them to one lakefront homeowner whose property is so damaged from erosion he can’t even open the windows on one side of the house because the foundation has shifted so much. He’s been trying to get approval to fix his problems for two years.

Rodrigues says the visit seemed to drive home how the authority’s policies affect people.

“They knew people were unhappy with the process but

officials really didn’t get the bigger picture...after the two site visits, they were really kind of apologetic and said we all have the same goals here.”

The landowner, she says, should have approval to fix his shoreline by the end of the week.

Meantime, Rodrigues says conservation authority officials are looking at ways to streamline process. Officials have already agreed neighbours can work together on shoreline erosion plans, reducing their costs.

The coalition plans to meet with authority officials Jan. 31 to go through the regulations and find better ways to do things. Rodrigues hopes St. Clair can become “a leader” in shoreline protection in Ontario.

Napper to honour community heroes in February

Heather Wright
The Independent

A man who planted sunflowers and gave thousands hope, a fire chief and a Wyoming ball player who was drafted by the Toronto Blue Jays are among those being honoured by Plympton-Wyoming Mayor Lonny Napper.

Each year, Napper puts together a community appreciation list.

This year it includes Brian Schoonjans who planted a field of sunflowers in memory of little Max Rombouts who died of cancer. Thousands came to

his farm to take pictures and flowers and leave a donation for Child Can - an organization supporting parents of cancer patients. Over \$45,000 was raised.

Also on the list is Noah Myers, a Wyoming man playing US College Baseball and who was drafted by the Toronto Blue Jays this summer.

Myers has returned to college for another season of ball.

And Camlachie Fire Chief Scott Jordon will be honoured for four decades of service with the department.

Other nominees are: Lambton Elderly Outreach, Southwest Regional Credit Union, Broad-

way Service, George Rosema, Historian Harry James, several service clubs including the Wyoming Lionesses, the Starlight Rebekah Lodge, Model Lodge 147, the Wyoming Legion Ladies Auxiliary, and Indiana State ball player Tyler Whitbread who hails from Camlachie.

Napper will honour the recipients with a lunch Feb. 1 at the Camlachie Community Centre. Tickets can be purchased by calling the municipal office until Jan 28.

Proceeds from the event will be donated to Schoonjan’s project Miracle Max’s Minons.

Mystery of missing Brooke-Alvinston water solved

It appears the mystery of the missing water in Brooke-Alvinston has been solved.

For months, public works officials have been baffled by large amounts of water which have disappeared from the Alvinston water system.

Work crews have been checking for leaks at the water treatment plant and along roadways for months after thousands of litres of water were billed to the municipality but not used by homeowners and businesses.

Public Works Manager Randy Hills went as far as to walk the

entire length of the pipeline which carries the water from the Lambton Area Water Supply System pipeline to Alvinston to see if there was a leak, but without finding anything. Experts have been brought in to try to find the problem, but they have not been able to pinpoint it either.

On Dec. 12, Hills told council the source has finally been found at the corner of Nauvoo Road and Morral Street.

“There was a fairly large sinkhole at Morrall and Nauvoo that had been dry. The other day it was filling with water,”

he says.

They watched the sinkhole and noticed the water filled it and then drained away.

Hills and Mayor Dave Ferguson believe the water is leaking in the area and then being carried away from the scene by the local drain.

“It’s very odd to see the water flow and then, the water stops,” says Hills.

He believes two different sized pipes were joined in the area and the weld that holds them together may be faulty.

A contractor was to dig in the area to look at the joint.

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Sports

ON THE ATTACK



HEATHER WRIGHT PHOTO
Lambton was on the attack during Silver Stick play in the Atom division this weekend as Sarnia hosted the girls event. Lambton had two ties and two losses in the tournament; Mooretown had two wins and two ties. The Lakeshore Lightening won the division.



East Lambton PeeWees are the International Silver Stick Champions. The team won the title in Forest this weekend. The players are Ryan Bork, Sam Hayter, Kaden Jubenville, Michael MacKellar, Liam McGugan, Ryan McLachlin, Ryan Minten, Hunter Mitchell, Cole Pranger, Hunter Talbot and Finn Towers.

Eagles win International Silver Stick

The East Lambton Eagles can add another Silver Stick trophy to its collection. The Eagles defeated the Belmont Rangers, 4-3 in overtime to capture the North American Pee Wee C final on Sunday in Forest. It was the fourth straight victory for the Eagles who went 5-1 overall. East Lambton beat Belmont, 3-2 to open the tournament last Friday. Meantime, the Lambton Jr. Sting went 3-1 in preliminary round play at the North American

Pee Wee AAA Silver Stick Finals in Port Huron, but lost 3-1 to Detroit-Little Caesars in the quarter-finals. Lambton had beaten the Chicago Fury, York-Simcoe and Detroit-Victory Honda in pool play, while losing to a team from the Philadelphia area. The Lambton AAA Bantams also competed in Port Huron. They went 1-3. Both the "AAA" Pee Wees and Bantams have several players from Central Lambton on their respective rosters.

Flyers drop games to Amherstburg and Lakeshore

The Petrolia Flyers remain in a three-way tussle with Dresden and Blenheim for playoff positions six through eight in the PJHL's Stobbs Division after action last week. Petrolia has now lost three straight and remains in eighth place in the division with a record of 10-19-3. The Flyers are at home to Blenheim Thursday night at 7:30. As of press time, the Blades were in sixth place two points up on the Flyers. Blenheim played the 73's in Essex Tuesday, while the seventh place Dresden Junior Kings

took on the Habs in Lakeshore. Neither score was available prior to our weekly press deadline. Sunday, Petrolia scored first at 8:13 of the opening period in Amherstburg, but it was their only lead of the contest in dropping an 8-4 decision to the Admirals. Curtis Helps and Eric Marsh each had a goal and an assist for the Flyers with Matt Hunt and Tyler Clarke scoring the others. Marsh had the lone goal in a 3-1 loss on home ice to Lakeshore last Thursday. Jakob Knowles made 45 saves as the visitors outshot the Flyers, 48-19. Petrolia visits Wallaceburg Saturday.

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TOWN OF PETROLIA NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING CONCERNING A PROPOSED OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Petrolia will hold a Public Meeting on February 10, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Council Chambers at 411 Greenfield Street, Petrolia, ON to consider a proposed Official Plan Amendment under Sections 17 & 21 of the Planning Act.

THE PROPOSED OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT will affect all lands within the Town of Petrolia. The proposed Amendment would add policies requiring the provision of sidewalks, walkways and bike lanes in Petrolia, including within new residential subdivisions and commercial areas. The Amendment would add policies that encourage new streets to be designed in a grid pattern and would add policies to discourage cul-de-sacs and long curving streets. The Amendment would also add a policy that encourages new residential developments to consider a mix of housing types for low, medium and upper income households.

ANY PERSON may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of, or in opposition to, the proposed Official Plan Amendment.

WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS in respect of the proposed Official Plan Amendment can be made to the official listed below.

IF A PERSON or public body does not make oral submissions at the public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Petrolia before the Official Plan Amendment is adopted the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Town of Petrolia to the Local Planning Appeals Tribunal.

IF A PERSON or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Petrolia before the Official Plan Amendment is adopted may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Local Planning Appeals Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

IF YOU WISH to be notified of the adoption of the proposed Amendment, you must make a written request to the Town of Petrolia at the address below.

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT will be available for public inspection during regular office hours at the Municipal Offices (address below) and at the public meeting.

Dated at the Town of Petrolia this 9 Day of January, 2020.

Mandi Pearson, Clerk/Operations Clerk
Town of Petrolia
411 Greenfield Street
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Telephone: 882-2350
Fax: 882-3373

Flags rout Blades

Ten players had multiple points as the Mooretown Flags shutdown the Blades, 11-0 in PJHL action last Sunday in Blenheim.

It was the most goals the Flags had scored in a single game since scoring a dozen against Wallaceburg in the third game of the season back in late September.

Brock Perry led the Flags with two goals and five assists. Brodie Conlon also scored twice, while Nolan Farr added a goal and four assists.

Greg Hay contributed four assists. Jake Wilkins turned aside 27 shots for his province-leading 19th victory. It was his second shutout of the season.

Last Saturday, Max Steeves had two goals and two assists as the Flags downed Essex, 5-2 at Mooretown.

The Flags have now 15 of its last 17 games dating back to early November and are 27-6 overall.

Jeffrey supports Hockeyville

Spengler Cup champion Dustin Jeffrey has thrown his support behind the Moore Sports Complex in its bid to become the Kraft Hockeyville winner in 2020.

Jeffrey has posted a video with Tourism Sarnia-Lambton encouraging area residents to share pics and stories to the Hockeyville site in order to put the Mooretown-based rink over the top.

Nominations close on Feb. 9 with the final four selected in mid-March and the winner announced in late March. The winning facility gets a \$250,000 facelift and will host an NHL preseason game.

Jeffrey grew up in Courtright and played minor hockey in Mooretown before moving on to play Major Junior hockey as well as professional hockey at various levels including the NHL and now in Europe.

He was a member of the Canadian team which captured the Spengler Cup in Davos, Switzerland over the holidays.

Legionnaires lose to Rockets

For the second time in its last three games and the fourth time overall this season, the Sarnia Legionnaires have been shut out. Sarnia lost 5-0 to Strathroy in the West Middlesex community Saturday.

Petrolia minor hockey products Bayly Fryfogle, Blake Hull and Carson Perry all had assists for the Rockets.

Sarnia is at London Wednesday.

The Legionnaires acquired Nathan Sauve from West Island of the Quebec Junior “AAA” Hockey League at the deadline last Friday.

Sauve had a goal and five assists in 30 games with the suburban Montreal squad this season.

EYES ON THE PUCK



HEATHER WRIGHT PHOTO

The Petrolia Squires snapped a five-game home ice losing streak with a 7-2 win over Milverton last Friday at Greenwood. But a short bench cost the Squires road losses in Seaforth and Tavistock last Saturday and Sunday. With only nine skaters in tow, Petrolia lost 10-3 to the Centennaires and with only eight skaters available, the Squires lost 9-5 in Tavistock. Petrolia is scheduled to end the regular season with game in Clinton Friday night.

Lancers remain unbeaten in boys hockey with road wins

LCCVI improved to 4-0 in Lambton Kent boys high school hockey action with 5-2 and 5-3 victories over North Lambton and Great Lakes last week on the road.

The Lancers host Northern at Greenwood Wednesday (Jan. 15) in a battle of unbeaten squads. Game time is 2 p.m.

The Vikings are 3-0 on the season. Meantime in girls action, LCCVI skated to a 2-2 tie with St. Pat’s. The girls go up against the Northern girls on Thursday at Greenwood at 2:30.

LCCVI is 2-1-1 on the campaign. Elsewhere last week, LCCVI routed Wallaceburg, 71-34 in senior boys basketball following a tough 73-68 home court loss to Northern last week.

The juniors lost to both Wallaceburg and the Vikings. Both LCCVI squads played at John McGregor Tuesday, but the scores were not available before our press deadline.

And, Tilbury outscored North Lambton, 56-47. The Eagles host Blenheim Thursday at 5 pm. And in girls volleyball play, LCCVI went 3-3 last week as did the North Lambton juniors.

The North Lambton seniors won once and lost five matches. The LCCVI juniors play at St. Pat’s Thursday beginning at 3:30 and the North Lambton senior girls side is at Chatham Christian Wednesday at 4.



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R.S.O. 1990, c. H.8, s. 170(12).

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The Petrolia Legion celebrated the New Year helping the community. On Jan. 1, the organization held a Levee and presented five community groups with \$500. Here members of Petrolia Scouts received their check. The Food Bank, the Guides, Petrolia and District Skating Club and the Air Cadets all received cash. Albert Baines and Walt Brand were also given certificates for bringing their military vehicles to Legion events each year.



Watford Trinity Anglican Church's Fran Woods presented a cheque for \$1,000 to the Watford Foodbank's Maryanne Cundick.

Brooke Fire Service above recognized the training of its firefighters. Inwood Station firefighters Chris Clark, Cole Freer, Tyler Clark and Ian Hunter were presented their yellow helmets by Chief Jeff McArthur, Acting Captain CJ Cutler, and Training Officer Steve Knight for the vast amount of training they completed and is the end of their probationary firefighter status. Alvinston Station firefighters Brently Shepley & Tori Shaw were presented with their NFPA 1001 Firefighter Level I & II Certificates.

TOWN OF PETROLIA
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
CONCERNING A PROPOSED
ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Petrolia will hold a **Public Meeting on Monday, February 10th, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.** at the Town Council Chambers at 411 Greenfield Street, Petrolia, ON to consider a proposed Zoning By-law Amendment under Section 36 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended.

THE PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT would amend the Town's Zoning By-law 63 of 2017 as it applies to a property described as Part Lots 7 and 8, Plan 14. The subject property has a municipal address of 4110 Petrolia Line, and it is located on the north side of Petrolia Line, between Kerby Street and Eureka Street. The intent of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment is to add a veterinary establishment as a permitted use on the property.

ANY PERSON may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of, or in opposition to, the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment.

WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS in respect of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment can be made to Mandi Pearson, Clerk, Town of Petrolia.

IF A PERSON or public body does not make oral submissions at the public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Petrolia before the By-law Amendment is passed the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Town of Petrolia to the Local Planning Appeals Tribunal.

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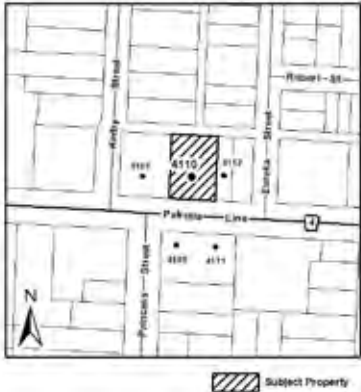
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THE KEY MAP shows more particularly the lands affected.

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT will be available for public inspection during regular office hours at the Municipal Offices at 411 Greenfield Street, Petrolia and at the public meeting.

**DATED at the TOWN OF PETROLIA
this 9th DAY of JANUARY 2020.**

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Cynthia (nee Loeffen)



Cynthia passed away on **January 8, 2020** at Innisfree House at the age of 47. She was the beloved wife of Jim for 22 years. Loving mom to Jonathan, Lindsay and Ryan. Cherished daughter of Rita and John Loeffen and daughter-in-law of Marion and Harold McIntyre. Dear sister to Heather (Stephen) Wright, Michael (Crystal) Loeffen and sister-in-law to Carole (Mark) Scott and Cathy McIntyre. Loving granddaughter of Ann Loeffen. She will be dearly missed by her nieces and nephews, Madeleine, Andrew, Emma, Grace, Tyler, Danika, Megan, Sarah and Christopher and fondly remembered by many aunts, uncles, cousins, friends and colleagues. Cynthia was born and raised in Port Colborne, Ontario until aged 12 when she moved to Wainfleet. Growing up she loved school and spending time with her many cousins and friends. Crystal Beach Amusement Park was always a highlight in the summer. As a teenager, she sang in the Robert Woods Children's Choir, was part of the SEVEC student exchange program, loved debating in English class, worked as a cashier at No Frills, scooped ice-cream at Lakeside Drive-In and worked on the family farm. She also enjoyed skating, going to the beach with friends and spending time with family. Cynthia met Jim on her first day attending the University of Waterloo, graduated in 1996 and married Jim the next year. That same year, Cynthia and Jim moved to London, and began working for Ernst & Young LLP. Cynthia was promoted to tax partner in 2007, and eventually moved to Kitchener, where she became the Office Managing Partner for the Waterloo Region office. Cynthia was very proud of her career and she was a role model and mentor to many of her colleagues over the years. Cynthia was always very involved in her community. Growing up, she was an altar service and reader at St. Elizabeth's Parish in Wainfleet. During her years in London, Cynthia volunteered for Meals on Wheels, where she delivered meals and drove patrons to their appointments. In Kitchener, she was a proud member of the board of directors for the St. Mary's Hospital Foundation including its chairperson. Cynthia and her family loved to travel. They had a standing date with many close friends in Mexico each March break, they enjoyed spending time at friends' cottages every summer and always made time for the annual McIntyre family camping trip. Every few years the Loeffens would travel together and enjoyed many weeks at cottages and cruises to the Caribbean and Alaska. Cynthia loved to spend time watching her kids play hockey and baseball, never missed a day at the gym and loved music, dancing and hosting gatherings with friends and family. Many will remember her as "the hostess with the mostest". The family wishes to thank the amazing staff at the Grand River Hospital Cancer Centre and the Grand River Hospital for their wonderful care of Cynthia over the past year. Also, the wonderful staff and volunteers at Innisfree House, who made her last days comfortable and peaceful. **Cynthia's family received relatives and friends at the Henry Walser Funeral Home, 507 Frederick Street, Kitchener, 519-749-8467 on Sunday, January 12, 2020 from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. and on Monday, January 13, 2020 from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Vigil prayers were at 8:45 p.m. Monday. The Funeral Mass was held at Blessed Sacrament RC Church, 305 Laurentian Dr. Kitchener, on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. Interment at Williamsburg Cemetery followed by a reception at the church hall.** As expressions of sympathy, donations to Innisfree House or St. Mary's Hospital Foundation would be appreciated by the family (cards available at the funeral home). Visit www.henrywalser.com for Cynthia's memorial.



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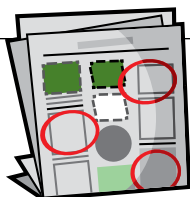
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Events are listed FREE for non-profit groups in Petrolia and Lambton County (space permitting). To be included in this listing email the required information to office@petrolialambtonindependent.ca Subject: FREE EVENT LISTING.

UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	START TIME	LOCATION	EVENT	CONTACT INFO
Jan 17	6pm	Watford	Watford Legion Meat Raffle/Catch the Ace	519-876-2360
Jan 18	9am	Sarnia	The Lambton Outdoor Club is hiking at Perch Creek in Sarnia. www.lambtonoutdoorclub.org	
Jan 18	12Noon	Alvinston	Alvinston Legion Pool Tournament.	519-898-2100
Jan 18	3-5p	Forest	Forest Legion Meat Raffle • Catch the Ace • 50/50 519-786-5357	
Jan 18		Watford	Watford Legion Annual Chicken Barbecue. \$15 per person. Tickets Available at the Legion Lounge	519-876-2360
Jan 21	7pm	Sarnia	Bluewater Chordsmen Guest Nights at All Saints Anglican Church, corner of Charlotte & Vidal	226-402-3060
Jan 22	2-4p	Sarnia	Parkinson's Support Group at Clearwater Arena Topic: "Staying Safe"	519-337-5330
Jan 24	12-6pm	Forest	Forest Legion Spaghetti Dinner supporting 2020 Silverstick \$10 per person	519-786-5357
Jan 24	6pm	Watford	Watford Legion Meat Raffle/Catch the Ace	519-876-2360
Jan 24	7pm	Petrolia	St.Philips Parish Card Parties	519-882-4840
Jan 25	3-5p	Forest	Forest Legion Meat Raffle • Catch the Ace • 50/50 519-786-5357	
Jan 25	3:30pm	Alvinston	Alvinston Legion Meat Raffle in Support of Brooke Central Snack Program with Catch the Ace at 6pm	519-898-2100
Jan 25	4-6pm	Oil Springs	Oil Springs Legion Meat Raffle. Everyone Welcome • 10 Meat Draws \$20 for 3 Chances at 10 Draws or \$2 per Draw	519-834-2537
Jan 25	7pm	Petrolia	Oral Heath Care with Inuit People at First Baptist Church. Speaker: Cheryl Sinclair. Free. Light Refreshments.	519-882-2480
Jan 28	7pm	Sarnia	Bluewater Chordsmen Guest Nights at All Saints Anglican Church, corner of Charlotte & Vidal	226-402-3060
Jan 29	1:30-2:30pm	Petrolia	Petrolia Library is offering a free workshop for legal advise regrading Privacy Rights for residential landlord and tenant	
Jan 31	6pm	Watford	Watford Legion Meat Raffle/Catch the Ace	519-876-2360
Jan 31	8pm	Wyoming	Pickin' n Fiddlin' at Wyoming Legion Door donations to Legion Ladies Auxiliary.	519-845-0072

CLUBS AND REGULAR EVENTS

DAY	START TIME	LOCATION	EVENT	CONTACT INFO
1st Thurs	11a	Sarnia	Parkinson's Support Group @Strangway Centre	519-336-3286
2nd Mon	7:00p	Petrolia	Margaret Stokes Chapter IODE Meeting	519-882-2073
2nd Tues	7:00p	Petrolia	Meadowview Villa Card Party	519-845-1198
3rd Wed	1-4pm	Petrolia	Kenny J & Friends Musical Jumboree @Pet Legion	519-882-1557
3rd Thurs	7:00p	Oil Springs	Optimists Meat Bingo @ The Youth Centre	519-834-2152
Mondays	1:15p	Oil Springs	Social/Euchre @ Oil Springs United	226-307-0929
Mondays	7:00p	Watford	Watford Legion - Fun Darts	519-876-2360
Tuesday	4:30p	Petrolia	TOPS Weight Loss Support @ Meadowview Villa	
Tuesdays	7:00p	Watford	Watford Legion - Progressive Euchre	519-876-2360
Tuesday	7:00p	Petrolia	Petrolia Toast Masters @ St.Andrews	519-882-0946
Weds	7:30p	Oakdale	IOOF Euchre Card Parties @ Oakdale Hall	
Thursday	11am	Sarnia	Parkinson's Exercises @ Strangway Centre	519-337-5330
Thursdays	5:30p	Petrolia	Lions Meat Raffle @ Haywood's	519-882-8728
Thursdays	6:00p	Petrolia	Optimists Meat Raffle @ Crabby Joe's	519-882-1255
Thursdays	6:30p	Petrolia	Petrolia Legion - Dart Night	519-882-1557
Thursdays	7:00p	Watford	Watford Legion - Cribbage	519-876-2360
Fridays	9:00a	Brigden	Brigden United Church - Mom & Tots Drop In	519-892-3151
Fridays	6:00p	Watford	Watford Legion - Meat Raffle & Catch the Ace	519-876-2360
E/O Tues	12noon	Wyoming	P-W Agricultural Society Lunch & Euchre	519-845-3661
E/O Fri	7pm	Oil Springs	Srs. Card Parties @ United Church	519-882-4697

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