



Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus

CAO Planning Meeting  
Minutes – July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2004 @ 9:00 a.m.  
County of Renfrew, Pembroke

In attendance:

<b>UPPER TIER</b>	<b>STAFF</b>
County of Frontenac	Elizabeth Fulton, CAO
County of Haliburton	Jim Wilson, CAO
County of Hastings	
City of Kawartha Lakes	
County of Lanark	
United Counties of Leeds and Grenville	Stephen Fournier, CAO
County of Lennox and Addington	
County of Northumberland	Bill Pyatt, CAO
County of Peterborough	Gary King, CAO
United Counties of Prescott and Russell	Stéphane P. Parisien, CAO
County of Prince Edward	Dick Shannon, CAO
County of Renfrew	Norm Lemke, CAO
United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry	Mike S. Waddell, CAO
<b>Ministry of Municipal Affairs</b>	

## **1. Acceptance of Agenda**

The agenda was accepted as presented.

## **2. Acceptance of Minutes from May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2004 Meeting in L'Orignal**

The minutes from May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2004 were accepted as presented.

## **3. Correspondence**

None.

## **4. Delegations**

Dan Borowec from CFDC along with Carmen DeMarco from FedNor present highlights of the Regional Economic Initiative.

## **5. Summary of Revenues and Expenditures for the Period Ending June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2004**

Stéphane P. Parisien, Secretary/Treasurer presents and circulates the Summary of Revenues and Expenses for the period ending June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

## **6. POA Fines**

Norm Lemke raises POA administration as a potential EOWC issue. The last increase to fines occurred some 15 years ago, and possibly, an increase in fines may be an avenue EOWC should look into for possible future revenues.

**ACTION:** Norm Lemke to engage process forward at future EOWC meeting by providing historical data and background.

## **7. Issue Prioritization and Process**

As a result of the last EOWC meeting held in UCLG May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2004, CAOs discuss issues and priorities tackled so far as part of EOWC's mandate. A number of CAOs feel that the range of issues addressed is too vast and we need to refocus on key elements identified in *An Action Plan for Government*. The Chair has indicated that he wants to move forward on as many issues as possible given EOWC'S reputation in Queen's Park. There was also a sense that CAOs are doing too much work themselves and that the monies available to EOWC as part of membership fees should be utilized to move some of the critical issues forward. Some discussion surrounding quality VS quantity and perhaps we should come back to the basics. The purpose of forming EOWC originally was to get recognition for Eastern Ontario and we need to get back to this.

CAOs do agree, however, that agenda items and material needs to be sent in advance to members and that last minute items and documentation should be the exception.

**8. Forum with Eastern Ontario MPPs and Ministers**

Larry Keech was not present to address this issue, however, there was discussion surrounding the Chair’s comments back in June to support the idea of inviting provincial Ministers to meet with EOWC in Toronto at some point in the fall.

**9. Affordable Housing Program**

Larry Keech being absent, the item is deferred to the next CAOs Planning Meeting in September 2004.

**10. Septage and Sludge**

Norm Lemke raises the importance of developing a Regional solution to this problem and he is not convinced from what he heard from Minister Dombrowsky that there will be money available for projects. Perhaps EOWC can tap into the 10 million dollar fund to develop a Regional solution study.

**11. Announcement – New Northern Prosperity Plan**

This agenda item ties into the CFDC Update.

**12. CFCD/EOWC Update**

Bill Pyatt provides an update prior to the presentation made by Dan Borowec (CFDC) and Carmen DeMarco (FedNor).

**13. Future Directions Update 2004**

Hopefully, the document will be ready for distribution at the AMO Conference.

**14. AMO Conference – Delegations**

CAOs agree a request for delegation be made to Minister Gerretsen provided FDU 2004 is available for presentation and distribution.

**15. Next Meetings - AMO Conference (Ottawa)**

EOWC.....	August 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2004, 4:00 p.m. (Québec Room)
Joint EOWC/WOWC...	August 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2004, 5:00 p.m. (Québec Room)

**16. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.