

## **Council Notes Nov 17, 2009**

### **County Joint Police Services Board Proposal**

Peterborough County has asked the townships to form a working group to examine the feasibility of forming one Police Service Board in place of the eight individual township boards. Deputy Reeve, Barry Rand, who is the chair of North Kawartha's Police Services Board said that one board would probably "have more clout" than eight smaller boards, but there is a real problem with representation. Currently, the provincial regulations on board sizes are based on population. For the County of Peterborough, a single board could only consist of 5 members. This would leave 3 townships unrepresented. Mr. Rand said that there might be some creative ways around the limitation, such as a west board and an east board, but it is imperative that the charges to each township are based on the usage of police services. There is a lot of paperwork for officers to do when they are working in various townships, but an accurate record system is the only way to assure a proper cost allocation. Council approved Mr. Rand's participation on the working group.