

REEVE's COMMENTS Nov. 8/10

1. Good evening & thanks to everyone in our public gallery & media reps for attending our last regular Council meeting for this term of office.
2. Of utmost importance is this opportunity to congratulate the successful candidates who will join me on Augusta Council thru 2014. I am enthusiastically looking forward to working co-operatively with our new Council & staff to meet the challenges our Township will face during that tenure. Jointly, we will need to dedicate our energy to the improving Augusta on all fronts which will result in the enhancement of our "Community of Opportunity".
3. Those candidates who unselfishly offered their time & talents to run for office, must likewise be congratulated. Thankyou may seem like a small reward, however your intuition to come forward to seek a seat on Council, is not taken lightly thus I applaud you for that valiant effort . To all candidates, Oct 25/10 was another excellent example of Democracy in action. A special thankyou to Dep/reeve Barton for the services he offered to Augusta this past 4 yrs. & to Councillor Stephenson for her more recent 2yrs. Of service. Likewise I have spoken to Trustee elect & former Councillor Lisa Swan to convey my congratulations.
4. Subsequent to our agreement with Country Multimedia, Mr. John Jodoin of our Eco-Dev & Tourism committee (EDTC) has been very involved in promoting pictures & data to illustrate that image of Augusta we are all so proud of. Thankyou John & we are looking forward to displaying that final product.
5. Of note in Counc. Pakeman's report on the EDTC is the request from the Trade Fair sub/com to change the venue of the 2011 Augusta Trade Fair from Maynard to the Maitland Fire Hall, which I believe Council should consider for endorsement.
6. On Oct. 19/10 it was my pleasure to join Dep. Barton, Counc. Banning & Pakeman at the Augusta Library. Mr. Gary Thornhill & Mr. Greg Morrison, two longtime Library Board members were duly recognized for their dedication & hours of services particularly to the IT dept. Thankyou both for your unselfish service to our library community.
7. With the encouragement of fellow Leeds Grenville county councillors & the support of the incoming Augusta Council, I will be seeking the nomination for the 2011 Counties Warden where I will have the opportunity to represent the entire Counties & recognize Augusta's opportunities.
8. Further to correspondence from MTO & the Counties engineer re signage at the (Maitland Rd.)County Rd.#15 intersection, it is my suggestion that the new signs

should identify MAITLAND via County Rd.#15. This would clearly keep Maitland - North Augusta on the provincial road maps as we all desire, I believe. The wishes of Council should be communicated to Mr. Shepherd for the information of MTO.

9. On Fri. Nov. 5th/10 I attended a celebration in Lyn, Ont. of the life of Cst. Doug Scott Jr., the former RCMP officer killed on duty. In his honour our neighbouring municipality of Elizabethtown-Kitley renamed the Lyn Ball Park to the Douglas A. Scott Jr. Memorial Park, where Doug had been very involved as a player & official. This was a very moving ceremony & I was humbled to be invited & accompanied by our very own Fire Chief Lorne Dougherty.
10. It was a pleasure to participate in the Remembrance Day celebrations yesterday, Nov. 7/10 at Maynard United Church followed by the Maynard Cemetery ceremony. We are so blessed to live in a country where we have the freedoms we all enjoy, however we must continually reflect our appreciation for those who paid the ultimate price that allow us those privileges.
11. On Nov. 11th/10 I will be representing Warden Thake on behalf of Leeds Grenville at the Brockville Cenotaph. I have invited Dep. Barton to attend the North Augusta's Remembrance Day celebrations on my behalf.