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SECTION 300 THE MUNICIPAL ACT PUBLIC REPORT ON IMPROVEMENTS TO EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS AND BARRIERS TO ACHIEVING EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS FOR THE YEAR 2013

IMPROVEMENTS TO EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS

- 1) Worked our consultant to develop a new Official Plan and Comprehensive Zoning By-law.
- 2) We continue to updated our municipal website (<u>www.lakeofthewoods.ca</u>)
- 3) Kept to zero the days on non-compliance at our two landfill sites.
- 4) Completed construction of a locum doctor house work with the Town of Rainy River, Twp of Lake of the Woods & Big Grassy First Nation.
- 5) Continued to work with the Town of Rainy River & Twp of Dawson with our amalgamated fire departments the West Rainy River District Fire Service.
- 6) Started process to enroll in LAS fuel procurement program.
- 7) Worked with other municipalities to oppose the proposed new funding model for OPP costs, which will have a significant impact on our financial resources.

BARRIERS TO EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS

- 1) Provincial downloading continues to put pressure on local services because of funding requirement's to pay the downloaded services.
- 2) Provincial reporting requirements, consuming time and resources along with new requirements for PSAB standards continued to increase the work load and decrease staff efficiencies this includes new reporting requirements for energy use.
- 3) Lack of funding to complete local needs, District Social Services Board is requiring an ever increasing amount of funding and refusal to cut their budgets.
- 4) Increased provincial rules and regulations.

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