

# LOCALNEWS

■ COURT REPORT

## Must pay restitution for damaged vehicle

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The Ontario Court of Justice, Criminal Division, convened in Pembroke on Tuesday, Aug. 26. Presiding was Justice Grant Radley-Walters. Representing the Crown Attorney's office was Anya Kourtnaar and federal Crown Tim McCann

• Eric Parisien, of Pembroke, pleaded guilty to committing mischief under \$5,000 and theft under \$5,000. On Aug. 9, 2015 at 1:30 a.m., police were called by witnesses who heard the sounds of glass being smashed in a field near the intersection of Nelson Street and Mackay Street. When officers arrived, they found a parked street sweeper had been heavily damaged with four mirrors and a tail light smashed. They also discovered a box of electronics had been ripped out of the interior cab and gravel had been poured into the gas tank. The damaged was assessed at \$3,130. Parisien was one of three male suspects arrested near the scene. Then on Aug. 18 video surveillance taken at a Laurentian Valley boxstore showed the accused stuffing electronic games into a backpack. He left the premises without paying and rode off on a bike. He has no criminal record. Recognizing 12 days pre-sentence custody, Radley-Walters granted a conditional discharge, followed by 12 months probation and 50 hours of community service. The accused must also pay his share of restitution for the damaged vehicle at \$1,043.

• Sean Fitzgerald pleaded guilty to

operating a motor vehicle while his blood alcohol exceeded 0.08. At 4 p.m. on June 14, 2015, police investigated a traffic complaint on Doran Road. They were alerted by a motorist to a car swerving and striking the shoulder. The witness reported the car swerved into oncoming traffic narrowly missing another vehicle at the intersection of Doran Road and Forest Lea Road. When officers pulled over the suspect vehicle, they noted the driver, identified as the accused, had blood shot eyes. He subsequently failed the roadside screening device. His blood alcohol levels were later determined through a forensic calculation estimating his readings between 220 and 275 milligrams of alcohol in 100 millilitres of blood. He has no criminal record. Radley-Walters imposed a \$1,500 fine and a \$450 victim fine surcharge, followed by 12 months probation and a one-year driving prohibition.

• Ronald Stringer, of Madawaska Valley, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while his blood alcohol exceeded 0.08. On Nov. 23, 2014, the accused had consumed up to eight beers before climbing behind the wheel to drive to the Beer Store in Barry's Bay. He was pulled over by officers and taken to the Killaloe detachment. His blood alcohol showed 200 and 210 milligrams of alcohol in 100 millilitres of blood. He has no criminal record. Radley-Walters imposed a \$1,000 fine and a \$300 victim fine surcharge, followed by 12 months probation and a one-year driving prohibition.

• Ian Severin, of Pembroke, pleaded guilty to possession of a substance. On

May 22, 2015, police executed a Controlled Drugs and Substances Act search warrant at a residence on First Avenue North in the city. They seized 19 grams of marijuana, a cellphone and \$120 in cash inside the home along with packaging material. In an outside shed, they recovered another five grams of marijuana. The accused has no criminal record. Radley-Walters imposed a \$500 fine and a \$150 victim fine surcharge.

• Daniel Tysick, of Pembroke, pleaded guilty to breaching his probation. On Aug. 15, 2015, officers approached a vehicle with temporary tags parked in downtown Pembroke. They spoke with the accused learning that he was under probation conditions as part of a 90-day intermittent sentence. They found 0.5 grams of marijuana on his person. Radley-Walters imposed a 30-day jail sentence and a \$100 victim fine surcharge.

• Robyn Ditmar, of Pembroke, pleaded guilty to fraud over \$5,000 and breaching her probation. Between Feb. 2 and Sept. 18, 2014, the accused made \$51,730 in Internet bank transactions without a family member's knowledge or permission. She also failed to complete community service hours. Radley-Walters sentenced her to 12 months in jail, followed by 18 months probation.

• Joseph Seguin, of Renfrew, pleaded guilty to theft under \$5,000. On Feb. 21, 2015, police investigated a theft at the Renfrew Flea Market. A vendor reported seeing the accused take two die cast metal racing cars and not paying for

them. When officers went to Seguin's home, they found the two stolen cars on a shelf. Radley-Walters sentenced him to 42 days in jail, followed by 12 months probation. He also imposed a \$100 victim fine surcharge.

• Philip Cooper pleaded guilty to breaching his probation. On July 28, 2015, the accused approached a female acquaintance in the parking lot of a Laurentian Valley boxstore and spoke to her in violation of a court order. After the brief conversation, he drove away. Police later confirmed the incident through video surveillance. Sentencing has been adjourned until Oct. 27.

• Joshua Hiltz, of Pembroke, pleaded



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guilty to breaching his probation. On May 26, 2015, witnesses reported seeing the accused consuming alcohol in violation of a court order imposed that very day. Sentencing has been adjourned until Oct. 27.

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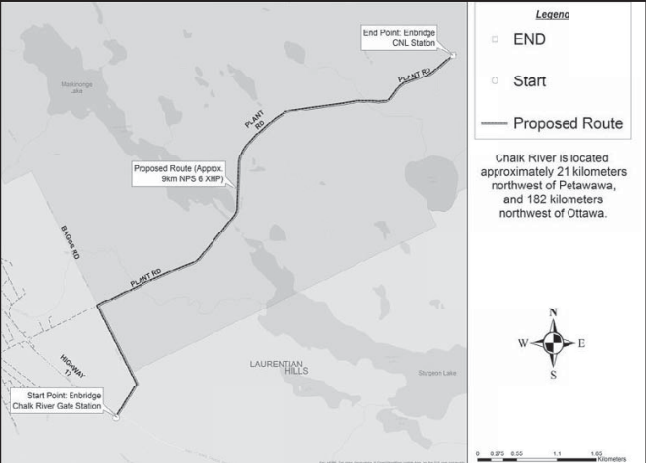
### ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD NOTICE

**Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. has applied for approval to construct a pipeline in the Towns of Deep River and Laurentian Hills in Renfrew County.**

**Learn more. Have your say.**

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. has applied to the Ontario Energy Board for approval to construct a natural gas pipeline and ancillary facilities to provide service to the Canadian Nuclear Laboratory Chalk River Facility, Town of Laurentian Hills, County of Renfrew.

A map of the proposed pipeline project is provided below.



#### THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD IS HOLDING A PUBLIC HEARING

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) will hold a public hearing to consider the application filed by Enbridge. During the hearing, we will question Enbridge on the case. We will also hear questions and arguments from individuals, municipalities and others whose interests would be affected. At the end of this hearing, the OEB will decide whether to approve the application.

The OEB is an independent and impartial public agency. We make decisions that serve the public interest. Our goal is to promote a financially viable and efficient energy sector that provides you with reliable energy services at a reasonable cost.

#### BE INFORMED AND HAVE YOUR SAY

You have the right to information regarding this application and to be involved in the process.

- You can review the application filed by Enbridge on the OEB's website now.
- You can file a letter with your comments, which will be considered during the hearing.
- You can become an active participant (called an intervenor). Apply by **September 8, 2015** or the hearing will go ahead without you and you will not receive any further notice of the proceeding.
- At the end of the process, you can review the OEB's decision and its reasons on our website.

#### LEARN MORE

Our file number for this case is **EB-2015-0194**. To learn more about this hearing, find instructions on how to file letters or become an intervenor, or to access any document related to this case, please select the file number **EB-2015-0194** from the list on the OEB website: [www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/notice](http://www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/notice). You can also phone our Consumer Relations Centre at 1-877-632-2727 with any questions.

#### ORAL VS. WRITTEN HEARINGS

There are two types of OEB hearings – oral and written. Enbridge has applied for a written hearing. The OEB is considering this request. If you think an oral hearing is needed, you can write to the OEB to explain why by **September 8, 2015**.

#### PRIVACY

If you write a letter of comment, your name and the content of your letter will be put on the public record and the OEB website. However, your personal telephone number, home address and e-mail address will be removed. If you are a business, all your information will remain public. If you apply to become an intervenor, all information will be public.

This hearing will be held under section 90(1) of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998 c.15 (Schedule B).



■ OSPCA: Renfrew County's Friends for Life Walk-A-Thon

## Walking to support our furry friends

Join the Ontario Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Renfrew County Branch on Saturday, Sept. 19 for the 2015 Friends for Life Walk-a-Thon happening at Centennial Park in Petawawa.

You can walk, run, ride your bike, push a stroller, and you can definitely bring your dog! It will be a day of activities and entertainment for you and your pet, with all proceeds going to help animals in need within our very own community. On walk day you can expect tons of fun, face painting, blow up castle, dog agility, barbecue, professional photography, pet-themed sidewalk sales, contests and more.

Please help the OSPCA Renfrew County Branch reach its goal of \$36,300 by simply registering online at [www.friendsforlifewalk.ca](http://www.friendsforlifewalk.ca) and then begin fundraising. The citizens of the Renfrew County community have already raised over \$4,000 collectively, but there is a long way to go. You can fundraise online, ask in person, hold a bake sale or a charity garage sale - the ideas and possibilities are endless to raise funds for a great cause.

At the walk you can meet our official spokesdog Benji! Benji is a big dog with a playful and affectionate personality. He was originally brought to the Ontario SPCA Renfrew County Branch as a lonely stray. Never claimed by his owners he was left to find a second start at life with the help of the local shelter. Benji was adopted by local resident and long-time supporter of the shelter Debbie Smith.

Debbie is a regular attendee of the annual walkathon event and now, along with her new companion Benji, she wants to tell everyone in our community why it's important to walk in the Friends for Life Walk.

"Without the Ontario SPCA I would not have Benji and he would probably still be out there lost somewhere with no home," Smith said. "He will never be hungry or lonely again. Our local Ontario SPCA Renfrew County Branch does a wonderful job of getting all of these lost or abused animals into the loving forever homes

they deserve. There are so many ways to support the work they do so no animal should have to suffer."

Registering online will only take a minute of your time but the critical funds that your registration may generate could mean a second chance at life for an abused or neglected animal.

Go to [www.friendsforlifewalk.ca](http://www.friendsforlifewalk.ca) now to register and help the shelter reach its goal. If you are a business or a vendor interested in sponsoring the walkathon and adding to the success you can contact Rachel Weikman at 613-588-4508 or [rweikman@ospcan.on.ca](mailto:rweikman@ospcan.on.ca).



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Benji is the OSPCA Renfrew County Branch spokesdog for the Friends For Life Walk-A-Thon coming up on Sept. 19.

### Hazardous Waste DOES NOT belong in recycling or garbage!

Everything from common household cleaners to pool chemicals are hazardous waste. Bring them to our Household Hazardous Waste Depot year round for safe disposal.

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