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CONCERNS

# GROUP WILL CLEAN STRETCH OF HIGHWAY IN HONOUR OF MENDES



PETE FISHER/NORTHUMBERLAND TODAY

Residents who wish to help clean up an area in honour of a local soldier who died in Afghanistan are welcome Sunday at 11 a.m. at the Grafton, Lyle Street on-ramp of Highway 401 westbound. The 1.18 kilometre section of highway was named in honour of Major Michelle Knight Mendes who died in Afghanistan on April 23, 2009. On Sunday, members of Mendes's family and military family and friends will helping clean up the section of highway. A stretch of highway is 1.18 kilometres as Mendes was the 118th soldier who died in Afghanistan.

# First report presented by new operations manager

## MANDY MARTIN

FOR NORTHUMBERLAND TODAY

CRAMAHE - With less than two weeks in his new position as Cramahe Township's operations manager, Jeff Hoskin made his first formal report to council Tuesday night.

Highlights include:

· The Cramahe Twp. Parks and Recreation staff has been working working at fall clean-up and prepared for the Remembrance Day ceremony in Victoria Square Park in Colborne. For the Christmas season, banners, wreaths and Christmas lights are being assem-

bled and installed.

• At the Keeler Centre, ice is in and ready for the winter season. New staff are being trained on ice maintenance and Zamboni operation.StaffarepreparingRotaryHall for the Christmas party season.

• The Public Works (roads) staff has been working on priority road patching, sidewalk grinding and cleaning out leaves from gutters and catch basins. Public works is also preparing equipment for the winter season.

• The 2001 plow truck required extensive service last year and again this year to be certified and reliable for the upcoming

winter season. Consideration was given to leasing a truck for the upcoming winter season until a replacement may be budgeted for in 2017 but repairing the truck proved to be the most cost-effective solution.

· The township salt and sand domes are currently being filled withwintersandandsalt.Sidewalks that pose tripping hazards have been ground down. Equipment is being refitted for snow removal and sand/salt applications.

 The tender for the Cramahe Twp.-ownedLittleLakepitrehabilitation went out Nov.15 and closes Nov. 21. The work will be delivered

and quoted in two phases. The first phase is to be completed by the end of 2016, the second in 2017.

 Preliminary ditching and base grading on Penryn and Cowie Roads has been completed with gravel being applied. Once the gravelling is complete, the roads will be left to settle over the winter with refined grading and surface treatment to be completed in 2017.

· At the wastewater plant, biosolids have been removed from the holding pond and applied elsewhere on land by Terratec Environmental as per the contract and land application permit.



Jeff Hoskin

