

EBlast 3. Patrick Quinn P.Eng.

TO THE MEMORY OF RAY LINESMAN P.Eng.

An indefatigable PEO volunteer, died 30 Jan 2021.

Ray was a decent, unassuming, dedicated champion of the chapter system, who loved our profession and by example encouraged us all to participate in our profession's activities. He will be missed, especially at our AGM, where he perennially put forward motions for the improvement of the way we do things.

Last year, **nine out of ten** members did not vote, This year after three weeks, 6,000 of 85,000 have voted.

Meanwhile:

1. Council directed the CEO/Registrar to propose to the Attorney General on 27 October 2020, **the legislative framework needed to make PEAK mandatory**, despite earlier promises to not do this without a referendum. This is a time wasting, expensive, out-dated, so called professional development programme based on PD hours, that has never been measured as to benefits, that pretends to improve competency.

2. **There will be a fee increase** to mark this passage into law. When asked to explain the need for the last fee increase of 20% across the board, the President said, because there had not been an increase in 10 years. There was a budget surplus of almost \$3 Million for 2019 and we had reserves of \$15 million, plus our building. Fees should be based on the needs of regulatory requirements and subject to member approval.

Express your views by voting; self regulation is not sustainable by neglect and we are close to giving it away.

As a tribute to Ray, PLEASE VOTE.

