New director of finance starts in King

By Angela Gismondi

There's a new head of finance at the Township of King.

Allan Evelyn has been busy getting familiar with his role as King's new director of finance and treasurer over the past few weeks. His first official day on the job was March 10.

?With the 2014 budgets (operating and capital) approved by council before I arrived, the immediate focus relates to financial reporting and audit for the year ended December 31, 2013,? explained Evelyn.

Evelyn is a Certified General Accountant and recently completed a Masters of Financial Accountability at York University. Although Evelyn was employed by the Toronto French School board before coming to King, he is not new to the municipal sector. He has worked as director of finance and treasurer for the Town of Aurora and the Town of East Gwillimbury. Prior to that he worked as the deputy treasurer for the Town of Newmarket and as a treasury officer for the Region of Peel.

?My past experience within the municipal sector will enable me to slide into this role and make immediate contributions,? said Evelyn. ?As a resident of a neighbouring municipality (Richmond Hill), the location fits nicely from a live/work perspective.? Evelyn received a warm welcome from Township CAO Susan Plamondon at his first council meeting on March 17.

?We're very pleased and proud to have Allan join our team,? said Plamondon. ?We feel very confident that not only will Allan bring a considerable amount of professional experience, but he is going to be an excellent fit for our organization and our staff team.? Evelyn said he is looking forward to his new role in King.

? I will work collaboratively with staff and residents of King in support of council approved initiatives and priorities,? Evelyn concluded.