



CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON 2019 SPRING/SUMMER NEWSLETTER

MELANCTHON TOWNSHIP - EST. JANUARY 1, 1853

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Council

Council Meetings are held the 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month commencing at 5:00 p.m. - ***Please check the website for changes in meeting times.*** Agendas and Minutes can be found on the website.

Committee of Adjustment is held the 3rd Thursday of the month commencing at 6:00 p.m.

Public Question Period - is held after Point of Privilege or Personal Privilege on the agenda for a maximum of 20 minutes.

Please check the website for information on Public Question Period.

TAX/FINANCIAL INFORMATION: Interim will be billed February 1, 2019

1st Installment Due Date: February 22, 2019 and Second Installment Due Date: May 24, 2019.

Final Tax Bill will be mailed August 1, 2019. *Please refer to the back of your tax bill for important information on how to pay your taxes! *NEW* - WE NOW ACCEPT DEBIT FOR PAYMENT OF TAXES, FIRE PERMITS, DOG TAGS, ETC.*

Ontario Electronic Stewardship - A bin is available at the Municipal Office for electronic recycling. Accepted electronics include desktop & portable computers, printers, mobile devices (cellular phones & pagers), televisions & monitors, audio/video systems and non-cellular telephones (corded & cordless telephones & answering machines).

Waste Services - For questions related to waste collections, hazardous waste days and electronic goods recycling, contact the County of Dufferin Waste Management Division at (519) 941-2816 ext 2620 or visit www.dufferincounty.ca/waste.

Road Business

Half Load Season - Will commence on March 1, 2019 and end on May 15, 2019 (subject to weather conditions) - This applies to all roads as per By-law 49-2015 (available on website).

Off Road Vehicle By-law - Please refer to the Township website for information regarding By-law 43-2015, a By-law to permit off road vehicles on municipal roads.

Fences - A permit is required to construct a fence along the frontage of your property. Please contact the Director of Public Works for further information.

Pushing snow/ice on roadways - **Anyone guilty of depositing snow or ice on Township roads or right of ways, causing an obstruction to traffic, is liable personally for whatever damages may result from same and may be charged under the Highway Traffic Act.**

Canine Control - Canine Control Services are handled by Olympus Dog Training. For dogs running at large, lost or found, please call the Municipal Office during Office Hours. For after hours, please call Olympus at 519-942-1508 and leave a message – someone will return your call. You are required to licence each dog you own or harbour. Dog tag renewal invoices will be mailed out shortly, for the canine information we have on file which was obtained through the enumeration process in 2017. Tags will not be mailed this year. We are currently reviewing and updating our Canine By-law, and how we issue dog licences. Information, when it becomes available, will be on our website under Municipal Services.

Livestock Investigator - Mike Swidersky is the Township's Livestock Investigator and can be reached at 519-923-9595. Anyone making a claim under the Livestock, Poultry and Honeybee Protection Act must have a Premises Identification Number before the claim will be processed by Staff. For information, please contact the Municipal Office.

Fire Information

Fire Permits - If you intend to burn at your property, a fire permit must first be obtained from the Municipal Office. The cost is \$15.00 and is good for the calendar year. You do not need a fire permit to burn in a barrel, but the fire must be under control at all times. In accordance with By-law 10-2007 all persons setting open fires shall be totally responsible and liable for any damage to property occasioned by the said fire, whether or not approval has been issued. All persons setting open fires shall be liable for the cost of any fire fighting equipment and personnel necessary and called in to extinguish the said fire, if conditions of the permit are not complied with. If you are unable to attend the office during regular business hours, you can apply for a fire permit on our website, under Municipal Services.

Smoke Alarms & Carbon Monoxide Detectors are mandatory and should be installed on every level of your home and near sleeping areas. It is the **owner's responsibility** to ensure smoke alarms are installed and maintained in working order. Check these devices at least once a year and if an alarm is over 10 years old, it should be replaced. Consider practicing your home fire escape plan regularly. More information can be downloaded from the **Office of the Fire Marshal website** at www.ofm.gov.on.ca

RECREATION IN MELANCTHON - A portion of your tax dollars goes to support these wonderful facilities and we encourage you to use them:

HORNING'S MILLS COMMUNITY HALL

The Hall Board thanks everyone for their support in 2018, and looks forward to seeing you again in 2019 - and if you're a new Village resident, make sure to come out and meet your neighbours at a class or event at the Hall! Visit our website at www.horningsmillhall.com to find out about regular yoga classes and upcoming events, including our popular annual Easter Pancake Breakfast & Egg Hunt held on Good Friday. Rent the recently renovated Hall for your event, whether a party, wedding or celebration of life. Sign up for our email list by sending a message to info@horningsmills.ca. You can also "Like" us on Facebook.

HORNING'S MILLS COMMUNITY PARK

The Horning's Mills Community Park includes a new playground (2015), baseball diamond, and pavilion. To keep up-to-date on the Park's activities "Like" us on Facebook. For rental inquiries, call the Municipal Office.

NORTH DUFFERIN COMMUNITY CENTRE - HONEYWOOD ARENA

The Honeywood Arena is owned by the Township of Mulmur and is managed by the NDCC Board of Management. For more information on the Community Centre, visit:

<http://mulmur.ca/departments/recreation/north-dufferin-community-centre>

CENTRE DUFFERIN RECREATION COMPLEX - SHELBURNE ARENA

The Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex is owned by the Town of Shelburne and is managed by the CDRC Board of Management. For more information on the Complex, visit: <http://www.townofshelburne.on.ca/recreation/cdrc>

DUNDALK COMMUNITY CENTRE - DUNDALK ARENA

The Dundalk Community Centre is owned by the Township of Southgate. For more information on the Community Centre, please visit: <https://www.leaguelineup.com/welcome.asp?url=southgaterecreation>