



TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON

SPECIAL ELECTRONIC MEETING AGENDA

MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 2021 - 10:00 A.M.

Join Zoom Meeting

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1. Call to Order

2. Approval of the Agenda

Motion: that the Agenda be approved as circulated.

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

4. General Business

1. Draft 2021 Spring/Summer Newsletter

5. Confirmation By-law

Motion: that leave be given to introduce a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon at its special meeting held on January 25, 2021 and it be given the required number of readings and numbered 7-2021.

6. Adjournment of Special Meeting

Motion: that we adjourn this Special Meeting of Council at _____.



CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON 2021 SPRING/SUMMER NEWSLETTER

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Office Hours: Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

(Office is closed Fridays in August, September 3, 2021 and Statutory Holidays)

Please sign up for our email list – go to our website and at the top of the page, click on “Sign up for Municipal News” and follow the directions.

TOWNSHIP STAFF

CAO/Clerk: Denise B. Holmes, AMCT
Treasurer/Deputy Clerk: Wendy Atkinson
Public Works Superintendent: Craig Micks

COUNCIL

Mayor: Darren White 519-278-8234
Deputy Mayor: Dave Besley 519-373-1227
Councillor: Wayne Hannon 416-904-5763
Councillor: Margaret Mercer
Councillor: Vacant

Email addresses are available on the Township website

Council Meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month, meetings are currently being held electronically due to COVID-19. There will only be one meeting in July, August and December 2021.

Agendas and Minutes of meetings can be found at the Municipal Office and on the website. Correspondence and General Business pertaining to each Council meeting is posted on the website by the close of business on the Monday before the Thursday meeting. In the event that the Monday is a Statutory Holiday, the information will be posted by the close of business on the Tuesday.

Committee of Adjustment is held the 3rd Thursday of the month, meetings are currently being held electronically due to COVID-19.

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

Please check the website for further information on Public Question Period

TAXES/FINANCIAL INFORMATION 2021

Interim will be billed on or around February 1, 2021

1st Installment Due Date: February 22, 2021; 2nd Installment Due Date: May 21, 2021

Please refer to the back of your tax bill for important information on how to pay your taxes.
Please note that credit card payments are not accepted. Debit and online payments are accepted.

If paying by Internet/Telephone Banking, please allow 3-4 business days for your payment to reach our office in order to avoid late charges

ROAD BUSINESS

Half Load Season will commence on March 1, 2021 and end on May 15, 2021 (subject to weather conditions), this applies to all roads as per By-law 49-2015 (available on the website).

Off Road Vehicles – Effective January 1, 2021, the province has expanded the on-road opportunities for off-road vehicle riders in some parts of Ontario. Off-road vehicle riders are expected to experience enhanced trail access resulting from the increased on-road connections to Ontario’s off-road vehicle trail network. The changes apply only to municipalities listed in Ontario Regulation 8/03 and amend the way permitted off-road vehicles are allowed on-road access to municipal highways. Melancthon Township is listed in the regulation. For more information, please refer to Ontario Regulation 8/03, 316/03 and 863 and Township By-law 49-2015.

Fences - a permit is required to construct a fence along the frontage of your property. Please contact the Public Works Superintendent 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.

DID YOU KNOW

TeleCheck-Dufferin offers a free daily check in call for Adults 55+ supporting independent living. For more information please call (519) 415-3764 or visit www.torchlightcanada.org

LIVESTOCK INVESTIGATOR

Mike Swidersky is the Township's Livestock Investigator and can be reached at (519) 370-8586

CANINE CONTROL

Services are handled by Olympus Dog Training. For dogs running at large, lost or found call the Municipal Office during office hours. For after hours, please call Olympus at (519) 942-1508, leave a message and someone will return your call.

You are required to licence each dog you own or harbour. Dog tag renewal invoices will be mailed out based on information collected in 2020. New tags will not be mailed out with the renewal invoice, if you require new or additional tags please contact the office.

PROPERTY STANDARDS BY-LAW 27-2019

On May 16, 2019, Council passed a new By-law prescribing standards for the Maintenance and Occupancy of Properties within the Township of Melancthon. The By-law can be found on the Township's website.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

We encourage residents to sign up for Dufferin County Emergency Management Notifications to keep you informed of watches, warnings and notices at

www.dufferincounty.ca/residents/emergency-services.

THANK YOU TO STRADA AGGREGATES

Thank you to Strada Aggregates for their community development donation of \$2,500.00.

The donation was divided among three organizations: Dundalk Food Bank, Dufferin Child and Family Services and the OPP Toy Drive.

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 (**payment must be received before permit is issued**) 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 cost of any firefighting 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.

Smoke Alarms & Carbon Monoxide Detectors are mandatory and should be installed on every level of your home. 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 Marshall at www.ofm.gov.on.ca

COUNCILLOR RESIGNATION/COUNCIL VACANCY

On November 6, 2020, the CAO/Clerk received written notification from Councillor David Thwaites of his resignation from Council, effective immediately (the full press release can be found under Public Notices on the Township's website).

On January 14, 2021, Council voted to fill the vacancy left on Council by Selection by Appointment.

A further report will be brought back to Council on February 4, 2021, outlining the procedure. There will be an opportunity for community engagement, as Council intends to hold a virtual "All Candidates" forum to meet the candidates who have put their names forward to be on Council.

The Agenda package can be found under Agendas and Minutes under the Quick Links on the website.

CIVIC NUMBERING

It is mandatory that all properties (including vacant properties) post a civic number. If your property does not have a civic number, please visit the County of Dufferin website to access the application form.

<https://www.dufferincounty.ca/roads-infrastructure/emergency-number-application>