

# Chamberlain Township Newsletter March 2016



I would like to open these comments by expressing my thanks to our road crew for their dedication in having our roads open and ready for travel and buses after each storm. Thanks as well to the office staff for their organization and input in making sure our council meetings run smoothly.

A reminder as well for residents to refrain from pushing snow across the roads as much as possible, and when it is absolutely necessary please back blade the road to ensure there are no cross ruts.

Please ensure that when going to the dump you place trash in the appropriate piles and recycle as much as possible.

Last summer and fall the roads crew made some headway on removing ridges between the road and ditches improving drainage. This work will reduce washouts and frost boils. It is our intention to work on this problem over the next few years until all roads are properly crowned once again.

Kerry Stewart, Reeve

## **COUNCIL**

Council meetings are open to the public and held on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers at #467501 Chamberlain Road 5, please use the municipal office entrance. If you would like an item on the agenda, please notify the office by the Thursday prior to the meeting (705.544.8088 or [treasurerofchamberlain@ontera.net](mailto:treasurerofchamberlain@ontera.net)).

Reeve: Kerry Stewart

Councillors: Shirley Blackburn, Debra Schenk, Cary Hager, and Charles Codd

## **MUNICIPAL STAFF**

Office staff (705.544.8088): Calvin Rodgers and Deanna Stevenson

Public Works staff (705.544.2711): Bruce Knott and Steven Brownlee

Disposal Site staff: John Bullen

## **WEBSITE**

The Township would like to invite all interested persons to submit digital photos of Chamberlain Township scenery for use on the municipal website to the municipal office by email at [clerkofchamberlain@ontera.net](mailto:clerkofchamberlain@ontera.net). Please indicate the name of the photographer with the photos so we can give proper credit.

## **COMMUNITY HALL RENTALS**

Community Hall \$50/day

Community Hall with Kitchen \$100/day

## **BOOKS FOR SALE**

Bill Dickinson's book, Chamberlain Township The First Hundred Years 1908-2008, and Herb Kruger's book, A Place Called Krugerdorf, are available at the municipal office for \$20 each.

## **RECREATION COMMITTEE NEWS**

The Chamberlain Rec Committee will be having a Spaghetti Supper Fundraiser at the Chamberlain Community Hall on Sunday April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2016, from 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. Further details to be announced!!

## **DISPOSAL SITE AND RECYCLING**

Municipal Disposal Site located at #535399 Wawbewawa Road, is open Thursdays from 1 – 5 p.m. and Sundays from 9 – 5 p.m.

**Beginning in January 2016 a \$30 dump pass will be/has been issued for each residence, and is available at the disposal site. The cost of the pass will be included in the property tax billing. Tags are no longer required. Please present your pass to the site monitor upon each trip to the disposal site. For your convenience a list of tipping fees are on the back of the pass for items other than household garbage.**

To help reduce the volume of recyclables in the bins it would be helpful if cans and plastic bottles could be crushed. The township encourages recycling to lengthen the life of the landfill. Separation of recyclables is no longer required – all items can be put in the same bin.

The Township of Chamberlain is an Ontario Electronic Stewardship partner, which means that you can drop off your electronic waste at the container located at the municipal dump.

## **PROPERTY TAX BILLS**

The interim property tax bills are included with this newsletter and are due March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016. Taxes can be paid in person at the municipal office by cheque or cash, by mail, or online/telephone through CIBC and Northern Credit Union. There is a drop box located in the back door of the municipal office for your convenience. Please state if you would like a receipt mailed or emailed to you.

## **BURNING**

Burning Permits are *mandatory* from April 1st to October 31<sup>st</sup>, each year, and can be purchased at the Municipal office for \$2, for a three day permit. **BURNING PERMITS ARE REQUIRED FOR WINDROWS**, and are issued for the season. You do *not* need a permit for a campfire or when using a burn barrel that has a screen on it. Please feel free to stop by the municipal office for information on creating a safe burning barrel.

## **BUILDING**

Building Permits *may* be required if you are planning renovations, new construction, or for moving a building to or from your property. Permit applications are available at the municipal office.

## **PROPERTY SEVERANCES**

For information on severing your land please contact 705.544.7525 and speak with Dan. This is now done through the Central Temiskaming Planning Board in co-operation with the Township of Chamberlain.

## **INFORMATION/BROCHURES AVAILABLE AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE**

2015 Annual Audited Consolidated Financial Statements  
Information About Your 2015 Property Assessment Notices – MPAC  
Ontario Electricity Support Program