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COUNCIL

Council meetings are open to the public and held on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. If you would like an item on the agenda, please notify the office by the Thursday prior to the meeting.

Municipal Council members are:

Reeve: Kerry Stewart

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

MUNICIPAL STAFF

Calvin Rodgers, Clerk-Treasurer/CAO

Deanna Stevenson, Administrative Assistant

Bruce Knott, Roads Superintendent (705.544.2711 or cell 705.544.3503)

Steven Brownlee, Public Works Equipment Operator

John Bullen, Landfill Site Monitor

ROADS

The road crew has been busy repairing frost boils, changing culverts, and as weather allows working towards removing roadside ridges to allow for road crowning and road drainage.

Dust control with liquid calcium has been applied and some dry calcium applications are being done in areas where the large tanker could not access.

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 issued for each residence. Tags will no longer be required so purchase in small amounts for the remainder of the year.

Recycling is very expensive to transport to the recycling center. It would be helpful if cans and plastic bottles could be crushed or stacked to help reduce the volume. The township encourages recycling to lengthen the life of the landfill.

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 final property tax bills are included with this newsletter and are due August 31st, 2015. Taxes can be paid in person at the municipal office by cheque or cash, by mail, or online through CIBC and Northern Credit Union.

BURNING

Burning Permits are mandatory from April 1st to October 31st 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.

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, please call for information or call the Chief Building Official, Clayton Seymour at (705) 563-2375.

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.

DOGS

Did you know that a dog tag costs only \$2, is paid **ONLY ONCE**, and it is good for the life of the dog? Our goal is to reunite your dog with you. Take the time now to contact the office to confirm your dog tag information or to purchase a new tag.

REMINDER!

If your animal is running at large, the owner shall be liable for any damage that may be caused by that animal. (Bylaw #2009-02)

COMMUNITY HALL

Rental Rates:

Hall and Kitchen \$100

Hall \$50

Funeral (includes hall and kitchen) \$50

BE PREPARED with a basic emergency kit!

- Water – at least two litres of water per person per day; include small bottles that can be carried easily in case of an evacuation order
- Food that won't spoil, such as canned food, energy bars and dried foods (replace food and water once a year)
- Manual can-opener
- Crank or battery-powered flashlight (and extra batteries). Replace batteries once a year.
- Crank, battery-powered radio (and extra batteries) or Weatheradio
- First aid kit
- Extra keys to your car and house
- Some cash in smaller bills, such as \$10 bills and change for payphones
- A copy of your emergency plan and contact information
- If applicable, other items such as prescription medication, infant formula, equipment for people with disabilities, or food, water and medication for your pets or service animal (personalize according to your needs)

Recommended additional items

- Two additional litres of water per person per day for cooking and cleaning
- Candles and matches or lighter (place candles in deep, sturdy containers and do not burn unattended)
- Change of clothing and footwear for each household member
- Sleeping bag or warm blanket for each household member
- Toiletries
- Hand sanitizer
- Utensils
- Garbage bags
- Toilet paper
- Water purifying tablets
- Basic tools (hammer, pliers, wrench, screwdrivers, work gloves, dust mask, pocket knife)
- A whistle (in case you need to attract attention)
- Duct tape (to tape up windows, doors, air vents, etc.)

If you think your water is contaminated, check with your municipality or local authorities for details. When in doubt, do not drink water you suspect may be contaminated.

Keep some cash on hand, as automated bank machines and their networks may not work during an emergency. You may have difficulty using debit or credit cards.