

**CORPORATION OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON**



**FALL/WINTER 2008  
NEWSLETTER**

**Township of Melancthon  
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**Office Hours: Mon. To Fri.  
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.**

**Members of Council**

**Mayor** Debbie Fawcett - 519-925-6293  
**Deputy Mayor** ~ VACANT ~  
**Councillor** John Crowe - 519-925-6069  
**Councillor** Bill Hill - 519-925-5264  
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**CAO/Clerk-Treasurer**  
Denise B. Holmes, AMCT  
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Allen Braiden

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**Condolences**

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Deputy Mayor D.C. Broderick on Sunday, July 20, 2008. Our condolences go out to the Broderick Family.

**Council**

- Council Meetings are held the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of month commencing at 9:00 a.m. and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month commencing at 9:30 a.m.
- Committee of Adjustment is held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month commencing at 9:00 a.m.
- All meetings are open to the public and are held in the Council Chambers.
- Public Question Period is held at 10:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. at each meeting. **Council is requesting that questions be submitted ahead of each meeting (the Friday before the scheduled meeting) so that they can be included in the Agenda Package. This will give Council adequate time to prepare an answer to each question. In the event that questions are not submitted in advance of the meeting, they may not be answered and deferred until the next meeting of Council.**
- Agendas and minutes of meetings are available at the Municipal Office as well as on the website.

**Road Department**

- Mailboxes** - The Road Department will replace or repair any mailbox or post that has been physically damaged by snow removal equipment (not flying snow) provided the mailbox has been erected in accordance with the Township Policy. Please contact the Road

- Superintendent for more information.
- Extended Road Service** - Our Road Department has added an afternoon shift during the winter months which keeps main roads cleared for everyone including commuters arriving home later in the evenings.
- Placing of Snow on Municipal Roads** - Residents are hereby advised that pursuant to the HTA, Section 181, it is illegal to deposit ice or snow, by any means, on a roadway. Anyone who does this, may be subject to a fine.
- Parking on Roads** - Notice is hereby given that vehicles parked or abandoned on any Township Road Allowance so as to obstruct snow removal equipment, will be referred to the OPP and removed at the owner's expense.

**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.

**HEADWATERS HEALTHY WETLANDS PROJECT**

- Financial and technical assistance for landowners in the headwater areas of the Grand and Saugeen River Watersheds. For further information on this program, please contact Robert Messier, Project Coordinator - 519-621-2736 - ext. 2310

## Tax Information

- ❑ You can pay your taxes at the Municipal Office, TD Canada Trust and Credit Union in Shelburne, the CIBC and Credit Union in Dundalk or by mail. Payment can also be made via Internet/Telephone Banking. **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.** Sorry, no debit or credit card payments accepted. The Township also accepts post-dated cheques and has a drop off box at the front door for after hours. Penalty - 1.25% per month on all unpaid taxes added the first day of the calendar month.
- ❑ **Where Your Tax Dollars Go -**  
Township - 37%  
County - 36%  
Education - 27%  
2008 Tax Rates are available on the Website
- ❑ **2007 Financial Statements** are available for viewing at the Municipal Office during office hours or on the website. The Municipal Performance Measurement Program Information will be available by September 30, 2008 on the website.

## Fire Department

- ❑ **Fire Permits** - If you intend to burn at your property, a fire permit must first be obtained from the Municipal Office. The cost is \$10.00 and is good for the calendar year. You do not need a permit if you are burning in a barrel but the fire must be under control at all times. Fire bans may be imposed at any time due to weather conditions. Please contact the municipal office if you are unsure as to whether it is safe to burn or not.
- ❑ **Smoke Alarms** - Mandatory - Section 2.13 of the Ontario Fire Code states that every home in Ontario must have a **working smoke alarm** on every storey

and outside all sleeping areas. It is the **owner's responsibility** to ensure smoke alarms are installed and maintained in working order. Failure to comply with this law will result in serious fines. You can purchase **Smoke Alarms** at the Municipal Office for \$15.00.

## Landfill

- ❑ The Township Landfill is located at 237234 4<sup>th</sup> Line NE. The hours of operation are Fridays from 12 Noon - 8:00 p.m. and Saturdays 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. **Please note the change to winter hours will commence on October 3, 2008 and the landfill will be open Fridays - 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Saturday hours remain the same.**
- ❑ Your 2009 Landfill Card (orange) is attached to your tax bill. This card entitles you to 104 free bags of garbage this year (pro-rated at two bags per week). For occupied properties only. All household garbage must now be placed in clear or colour transparent garbage bags (26" x 36"). Green/Black garbage bags will no longer be accepted.
- ❑ **Reduce-Reuse-Recycle** - Recycling is mandatory at the Township Landfill Site. Blue Boxes are available at the Municipal Office for \$6.00/box. We recycle the following material: co-mingle (glass/can), newsprint/magazine, cardboard and large styrofoam. These items no longer have to be separated and go into one bin.
- ❑ **Household Hazardous Waste and Electronic Days** - remaining dates for 2008 are as follows:  
**Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>** - ELGV Works Yard  
**Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>** - County of Dufferin Primrose Operations Centre  
**Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>** - Town of Orangeville Op. Ctr.

## Miscellaneous

- ❑ **Dufferin Town & Country Farm Tour** - Saturday, September 27, 2008 - 9:00

a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Ninth annual self-guided tour to farms and agri-businesses in the Townships of Amaranth and East Luther Grand Valley. For more information, please call 519-941-0454 or 1-800-332-9744 or visit [the webpage - www.thehillsofheadwaters.com/farmtour](http://www.thehillsofheadwaters.com/farmtour)

- ❑ **Holiday Home Tour** - November 29, 2008 - 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Join the Committee for a tour of five homes decorated for Christmas. Tickets - \$25.00, includes lunch. For tickets, call 519-942-8171 or 519-925-5674. All proceeds going to the Shelburne Public Library to purchase books/resource materials.
- ❑ **Good Food Box** - This is a cooperative program running October-May. For the low cost of \$10.00, you receive fresh fruits and vegetables purchased by Shelburne Fresh Variety. The program is looking for volunteers to help sort and pack the produce. Please call 519-925-6293 for more information.
- ❑ **COMRIF Intake 2** - the Council of the Township of Melancthon wishes to acknowledge and thank the Federal and Provincial Governments for the financial assistance received under this program. The monies allowed the Township to reconstruct the Riverview South Bridge - 7<sup>th</sup> Line SW.
- ❑ **CANADIAN HYDRO DEVELOPERS, INC.** - the Council of the Township of Melancthon wishes to acknowledge and thank CHDI for the Community Contribution received for Phase 1 of the Melancthon Wind Project. These monies were incorporated into the 2008 budget and used for the betterment of the community.
- ❑ **FEDERAL GAS TAX** - the Council of the Township of Melancthon wishes to recognize and thank the Federal Government for monies received under the Gas Tax Program. A portion of the monies were used to fund Melancthon's 1/3 share of the Riverview South Bridge - 7<sup>th</sup> Line SW