



**CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON  
2010 SPRING/SUMMER NEWSLETTER**

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**Office Hours:** Monday - Friday - 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. **PLEASE NOTE that the Municipal Office will be closed on Fridays in August, including Friday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>.**

### Council

Councillor Kumprey - it is with regret that we announce the resignation of Councillor Kumprey on February 4, 2010. Her Council seat has been declared vacant and Council will be filling the vacancy by appointment for the remainder of the term of Council (November 30, 2010).

Council Meetings are held the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month commencing at 9:00 a.m. & the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month commencing at 6:00 p.m. This will be in effect for a period of six months and will be reviewed in June 2010 and Council will be monitoring attendance and participation.

Committee of Adjustment is held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month now commencing at 5:30 p.m. and will be reviewed in June 2010.

Public Question Period is held at 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. (1<sup>st</sup> Thursday meeting) and 7:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday meeting). *Council requests that questions be submitted ahead of the meeting (Friday 12 Noon prior to the meeting). Each person will be allowed to ask one question, either written or oral, during this time, and one question for clarification purposes only after the answer is given on the original question. Public Question Period is held at 10:30 a.m. for a day meeting and 7:00 p.m. for an evening meeting for a maximum of ½ hour. If less time is required and there are no further questions, the Mayor/Chair will declare Public Question Period to be closed and carry on with the regular business of the meeting, or if time permits, individuals will be allowed to ask an additional question. Also, with time permitting, anyone wishing to make a comment may do so and Council may choose to respond to the comment if felt to be in the Public interest. A question arising from the posted material on the website may be asked at the meeting and does not necessarily have to be received in writing. Council still reserves the right to defer any question if they are not able to answer it at the meeting.*

Agendas and Minutes of meetings are available at the Municipal Office, as well as on the website. Minutes are also available at the Shelburne and Dundalk Public Libraries.

Correspondence and General Business pertaining to each Council meeting is posted on the website by the close of business on 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.

### Road Business

Half Load Season - will commence on March 1, 2010 and end on May 15, 2010 (subject to weather conditions).

Fences - a permit is required to construct a fence along the frontage of your property. Please contact the Road Superintendent for further information.

Mailboxes - Please contact the Road Superintendent for the Township's Mailbox Policy.

### 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.

2010 Dog Tags are now available at the Municipal Office - 1<sup>st</sup> dog - \$20.00; 2<sup>nd</sup> dog - \$25.00 and 3<sup>rd</sup> dog - \$60.00. Add an additional \$10.00 for each dog that is not spayed or neutered. Kennel Licence - \$150.00

## Planning

**Jerry Jorden, Township Planner** is now working out of the Municipal Office one day per month (4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday). If you would like to make an appointment to see Mr. Jorden, please call the Township Office. Please note that Mr. Jorden is the Township's Planner and therefore will provide information on Township and Provincial Planning Documents and requirements but will not be providing planning consulting advice to residents for their own projects or issues.

**Development Charge By-law** - Council passed By-law No. 22-2009 on November 5, 2009. The DC for a single family dwelling is \$5,256.00 and for non-residential development is \$3.82 per square foot.

## Tax/Financial 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.

## 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 \$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 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and Saturdays 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. **Please note the change to summer hours will commence on April 9, 2010 and the landfill will be open Fridays - 12 noon - 8:00 p.m. Saturday hours remain the same. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE LANDFILL SITE WILL BE CLOSED GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 2<sup>ND</sup>, 2010.**

Your 2010 Landfill Card (red) was mailed with your final 2009 tax bill last September. 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** - Sat., May 1<sup>st</sup> - Town of Mono Works Yard; Sat., May 29<sup>th</sup> - Primrose Operations Centre; Sat., June 26<sup>th</sup> - Orangeville Operations Centre; Wed., July 21<sup>st</sup> - Primrose Operations Centre; Wed., August 18<sup>th</sup> - Orangeville Operations Centre; Sat., Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> - Grand Valley Works Yard; Sat., Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> - Primrose Operations Centre and Sat., Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> - Orangeville Operations Centre.

## Miscellaneous

**Good Food Box** - This is a cooperative program running October-May. For the low cost of \$12.00, 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.

**MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS** - The Municipal Election will be held on Monday, October 25, 2010. The deadline for nominations is 2:00 p.m. on Friday, September 10, 2010. The Nomination Form is available on the Township's Website under Elections or one can be obtained from the Municipal Office.

**HORNING'S MILLS COMMUNITY HALL** - Thinking about having an Event? For Hall Rental Rates, please visit our website under Our Services.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!** The Horning's Mills Community Hall Board is having its **"Treasures and Bake"** Sale on Saturday, April 17, 2010 from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Horning's Mills Hall.

**FISH FRY** - the Board has decided not to proceed with the Annual Fish Fry this year.