



MAY 2010

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“Whitestone, a Perfect Place to Live, Work and Play”

Members of Council

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Note: Councillor, Bill Church has been appointed Deputy-Mayor for the Year 2010 in the event of an absence of Mayor, Chris Armstrong.

Department Heads

Liliane Nolan, CAO-Clerk – Ext. 24
Tammy Wylie, Treasurer/Deputy-Clerk – Ext. 25
Dougald Pawlech, Road Superintendent
Paul Rossiter, By-Law Enforcement Officer
Dennis Rowntree, Chief Building – Ext. 26
Floyd Thomson, Facilities Manager
Bob Whitman, Fire Chief
Lori Guillemette, Librarian

Important Numbers

Municipal Office 389-2466
Roads Garage 389-2364
Dunchurch Fire Hall –non-emergency 389-3824
Ardbeg Fire Hall -non-emergency 389-1036
Community Centre in Dunchurch 389-3211
Maple Island Hall/Thrift Shop 389-2350
Library 389-3311
Post Office 389-2133
Nursing Station 389-1951
MTO Patrol Yard 389-2502

Staff

Matt Becker, Student Labourer
Bruce Brear, Equipment Operator
Jason Bolton, Landfill Site Attendant
Kevin Crossman, Relief Snowplough Operator
Melissa Crossman, Secretary/Receptionist – Ext. 21
Greg Kowal, Utility Person/Landfill Site Attendant
Rodney Matthews, Relief Snowplough Operator
Dale McDonald, Equipment Operator
Bert Roberts, Relief Landfill Attendant/Labourer
Dyanne Roberts, Planning Assistant – Ext. 22

A message from the Council of the Municipality of Whitestone

Over the last few months Council and Staff have been working diligently on finalizing the 2010 budget. The budget will receive formal approval on June 7th and it will include a 3.1% decrease in the tax rate. This is a remarkable achievement and Council owes a great deal of thanks to staff who worked very hard on finding innovative ways to spend your tax dollars prudently. Major initiatives in this year’s budget include the completion of our portion of the Bunny Trail, the completion of Phase 2 of the Dunchurch Community Hall, which includes a minor addition for upgraded handicap accessible washrooms and additional storage, the purchase of a new grader, the expansion of the York Street Landfill Site, the establishment of 7.5 km of walking trails and the newly introduced Road Grant Protocol for private and unassumed roads. We have been able to access various federal and provincial funding to offset much of the cost of some of the projects mentioned above.

As mentioned earlier Council has approved a new innovative Road Grant system for private and unassumed roads. Please call the Municipal Office or visit our website to obtain details as to how your road can access these grants.

The construction on the Bunny Trail which will include surface treatment will resume this summer. You will also see our Municipal Roads Department performing various construction projects (i.e. ditching and culvert replacement) throughout the Municipality while the Ministry of Transportation continues with the construction and surface treatment of Highway 520 this year.

Attached with this letter you will find your 2010 coupon which permits one (1) free (small trailer or 1/2 ton truck) load of brush or leaves to be deposited at one of our two landfill sites. Please note the change in landfill hours below.

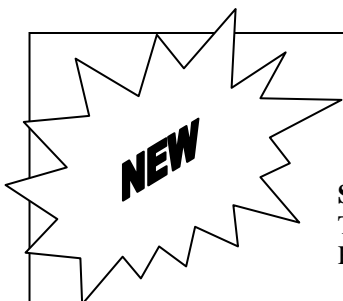
We are currently in the process of acquiring a new style of recycle bins at the landfill sites which will compact the recyclables to reduce our shipping cost by about 75%. Provincial funding is available for 50% of the project cost. The payback of these bins is less than two (2) years.

Council recently approved the use of the Vote-By-Mail system for this years’ municipal election. This method has been used in the last several elections. The election is scheduled for October 25, 2010.

As many of you knew our valued employee Bob Musgrave was battling serious health issues and unfortunately passed away on April 12, 2010. Bob touched the hearts of many. We will all miss his loving, kind-hearted and high-spirited nature.

Hope you have a safe and enjoyable summer. We look forward to seeing you at the fireworks on Saturday, June 26th, 2010 celebrating Canada Day.

The Mayor & Members of Council



LANDFILL SITE HOURS

York Street & Auld’s Road

Summer Hours (May Long Weekend – Thanksgiving Weekend)

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday & Sunday 11:00 am – 6:00 pm
Holiday Mondays 11:00 am – 6:00 pm

Man gates will be locked during summer hours and there will be no available access to the landfill sites outside of regular hours of operation. This is necessary to promote responsible waste disposal, recycling and management of our landfills sites while providing ratepayer protection and safety from the growing number of bears that visit our landfill sites each summer.

Section 2.7 of By-Law No. 15-2005 states that “No person shall deposit any waste at or near, or outside or around the landfill gates except in the appropriate areas for waste and/or recycling receptacle.” and;

Pursuant to Section 5 of the said By-Law, fines shall be as follows: **Minimum fine of \$300.00**

Leaving your garbage at the gate creates a potential hazard for everyone, increases operating costs for the landfill sites and after the bears and raccoons tear through the garbage it is an unsightly mess.

Whitestone-Hagerman Memorial Public Library

Join us Thurs. Jun 17th @ 1pm for our Seniors Open House with a Special presentation by Marian Beauregard, Co-ordinator of the Seniors Safekeeping Program. The topic will be *Elders at Risk...Protecting Your Neighbour*. Refreshments will be provided in celebration of the Seniors of the Municipality of Whitestone. For more information please contact the library at 705-389-3311 or e-mail us at whitestonelibrary@vianet.ca

Hours of Operation

Tuesdays 12:00 - 8:00
 Wednesdays 12:00 - 5:00
 Thursdays 10:00 - 5:00
 Saturdays 10:00 - 2:00

What's Happening???

Information Session

Landfill Expansion – Saturday, July 17th at 10:00 am

Royal Canadian Legion

Bid Euchre – Mondays @ 7:30 pm
 Euchre – Tuesdays @ 7:00 pm & Saturdays @ 1:30 pm
 Cribbage – Thursdays @ 7:30 pm
 Darts – Fridays @ 8:00 pm
 Meat Draws – 1st & 3rd Saturday 4:00 pm followed by horse races
 Pig Roast (Ladies Auxiliary) – Saturday, July 3rd – 5pm to 7pm
 Fish Fry – Saturday, July 31st – 2 servings – 5pm & 7pm

Dunchurch Lions

Swimming Lessons Registration – Saturday, June 26th
 Registrant will be notified by instructor of class dates and times.

Whitestone Horticultural Society

Plant Sale – Saturday, June 5th

Whitestone Conservation Association

Spaghetti Dinner – Saturday, August 7th

Historical Society

History Fair – Saturday, July 24th

Agricultural Society

Annual Fall Fair – August 20th & 21st

Whitestone & Area Nursing Station Advisory Committee

Bingo – every Wednesday through July & August @ 7:00 pm

Knox United Church

Sunday Worship 11:00 am
 Yard Sale – July 31st

Recreation Committee

Walk Fit – 10:00 am Mon, Wed & Fri until the end of June

Whitestone Recreation Committee

The **Thrift Shop** is now open Saturdays and Sundays 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. During July and August we will be extending the hours to be open Fridays 10:00 am – 2:00 pm.

Walk-Fit continues Monday, Wednesday & Friday 10:00 am – 11:00 am at the Community Centre in Dunchurch until the end of June and will resume again in September.

Women's Wellness weekly workout has been stopped for the season due to lack of participation. Special events are being planned. Date, times and venues will be posted around town. Stay tuned!!!!

Stay Fit & Have Fun!!!!

Bin at Harris Lake

There will be a transfer bin at Harris Lake Marina for the long weekend in May 2010.

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 21 Church Street, Dunchurch, ON P0A 1G0
 or phone at 705-389-2466.

Dial 9-1-1
 For Police, Fire or
 Ambulance

Take Pride, Where you Reside

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Building Department

Summer Hours

Monday – Friday
 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Contact: 705-389-2466 Ext. 26



Whitestone Fire Rescue Department

As we enter another fire season, we would like to remind everyone that this year's Fire Season is anticipated to be very hot and dry, so remember to drown your campfires so they are dead out before leaving them. Also, there is **NO DAY TIME BURNING** permitted and you require a permit for any brush burning fires. Always check with Municipal Office or local Permit Issuer before burning. Call 389-3824 for further information.

By-Law Enforcement

Clean Yards –By-Law No. 34-2000 prohibits storage of domestic waste, industrial waste and inoperative motor vehicles on any grounds, yards or vacant land.

Dogs – As per by-law 35-2005 Owners must purchase dog tags, not permit his/her dog to trespass or run at large and owners shall dispose of any excrement and prevent dogs from barking or whining persistently which may disturb any inhabitant of Whitestone.

NEW NOISE BY-LAW –By-Law No. 26-2010 – Council recently passed a by-law governing noise in the Municipality of Whitestone, please visit our website or obtain a copy from the Municipal Office.

For any information or to report contraventions of any by-laws please leave a detailed message including name and phone number
Paul Rossiter, By-Law Enforcement Officer
 705-389-2466 Ext. 45

ALL CALLS WILL BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL

Upcoming Council Meetings

Committee of the Whole Monday, May 17th
 Regular Council Monday, June 7th
 Committee of the Whole Monday, June 21st
 Committee of the Whole Monday, July 12th
 Committee of the Whole Monday, August 16th (Ardbeg)

All meetings will be held at 6:30 p.m. at the Hagerman Community Centre in Dunchurch unless otherwise stated.

2010 Ontario Family Fishing Weekend

If you or someone you know would like to try fishing in Ontario waters, don't forget the week of July 3-11, 2010 Canadian residents can enjoy the fun of fishing in Ontario without a licence during the annual Ontario Family Fishing Weekend. You must abide by the conservation licence limits set out in the current **Ontario Recreational Fishing Regulations Summary**, available from fishing licence issuers, the **Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources**, or online. Your limit on walleye and trout, for example, may be 2 instead of 5 or 6.

Remember, fish with care, and concern for future generations of people and fish!