



# Spring 2006

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## “Whitestone, a Perfect Place to Live, Work & Play”

### Members of Council

<b>Mayor</b>		
Bill Church	389-1956	wchurch_1@sympatico.ca
<b>Councillors</b>		
Chris Armstrong	389-3721	councillor.armstrong@whitestone.ca
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### Staff

CAO-Clerk	Liliane Nolan	Ext. 24
Treasurer	Tammy Wylie	Ext. 25
Planning/Economic Co-ordinator	Kelly Earley	Ext. 22
Chief Building Official		Ext. 26
Road Superintendent	Nick Thomson	Garage
Facilities Manager	Floyd Thomson	Office
By-Law Enforcement Officer	Paul Rossiter	Ext. 45
Fire Chief	Bob Whitman	Ext. 35

### Contact Numbers

Municipal Office	389-2466
Fire Dept – Non Emergency	389-3824
Municipal Garage	389-2364
Dunchurch Hall	389-3211
Maple Island Hall	389-2350
Library	389-3311
Nursing Station	389-1951
Post Office	389-2133

### Regular Council Meetings

Council meetings will be held every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of every month at @ 6:30 p.m.  
 Contact the Municipal Office for location.

### Emergency Management

Disasters may seem a distant possibility, however incidents such as power outages, train derailments, chemical spills, etc. can happen at any time.

The Municipality of Whitestone has an emergency plan in place that we hope will handle the crucial elements of a disaster.

See our website for further details.  
[www.whitestone.ca](http://www.whitestone.ca)

### DIAL 9-1-1

for POLICE, FIRE or MEDICAL Emergency

### INSTALL SMOKE ALARMS ..... IT'S THE LAW

Every residence in Ontario must have a working smoke alarm on every level and outside all sleeping areas.

### Office of the Fire Marshall

Contact Fire Chief, Bob Whitman if you have any questions.

### Building Department

Effective January 1, 2006, proof of qualifications for designers, registered with the Building Development Branch of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing, and proof of required insurance coverage must be provided with ALL building permit applications.

Exemptions from qualifications include, designers that design a house they own, designers that design an ancillary building (shed, bunkie, workshop, garage, etc.) that serves the house they own that do not exceed 50 m2 in building area.

These requirements are part of “Building Code Amendments O. Reg 305-03 (2003-2005).” A copy of these regulations can be viewed at [www.obc.gov.on.ca](http://www.obc.gov.on.ca) or ordered at 1-888-361-0003 or [www.orderline.com](http://www.orderline.com)

If you require additional information, please contact the Chief Building Official at (705) 389-2466 Ext. 26.

### Off-Road Vehicles (ATV's)

As of July 2003, municipalities must put a by-law in place for ATV's to be allowed access to their roads.

The Municipality of Whitestone does not have a by-law in place, however previous exemptions for farmers, trappers and public utility workers remain in place.

More information specific to municipal authority is available at [www.e-laws.gov.on.ca](http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca), Statute and Associated Regulations, Highway Traffic Act, Section 191.8.

### Summerfest

Friday, June 30th & Saturday July 1st, 2006

Come and join the fun at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Whitestone Summerfest with live performances by Canadian XSports, the Harris Brothers and comedian Mark Crocker.

Check our Website for updates and full details

[www.summerfest.whitestone.ca](http://www.summerfest.whitestone.ca)

### Rabies Clinic

Wednesday, May 3, 2006  
 Dunchurch Pavilion  
 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  
 \$15.00 per animal

**Note: NO animals under 16 weeks of age  
 DOGS AND CATS ONLY**

Dog tags are due at \$10.00 each and will be available at the rabies clinic.

**York Street & Auld's Road Landfill Sites**

**Summer (May Long Weekend to Thanksgiving Weekend)**

Tues., Thurs., Sun 12 noon – 5:00 p.m.  
 Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
 Holiday Mondays 12 noon – 5:00 p.m.

**Winter**

Tues., Thurs., Sat 12 noon – 5:00 p.m.

**HOURS CURRENTLY UNDER REVIEW**

**Recyclables:** **Fibres:** cardboard, newspaper, magazines, egg cartons. etc.

**(Please breakdown your cardboard to save room in the bins.)**

**Containers:** glass, bottles, jars, plastic, metal cans, aluminum cans

BLUE BOXES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE LANDFILL SITES UPON REQUEST

Each property owner is entitled to one (1) free blue box. Additional blue boxes may be purchased for \$5.00 each.

No fee dump weekends are May Long Weekend and Thanksgiving weekend.

During "No Fee Weekend" the following items will be accepted at the regular fees as per By-Law No. 15-2005.

Refrigeration Units, Tires, Shingles, Commercial/Retail Waste

**All ratepayers are asked to refrain from depositing garbage outside of the gates at the landfill sites.**

**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 sites except in the appropriate areas for waste and/or recycling receptacles." and;

**Section 2.8 of By-Law No. 15-2005** states that "In any proceeding pursuant to this by-law, evidence of any personal markings, writing, or inscriptions found in any waste deposited in contravention of this by-law that identify the name and address of any person shall be prima facie that the waste was deposited unlawfully by such person." and;

**Section 5.1 of By-Law No. 15-2005** states that "Every person who contravenes or fails to comply with any of the provisions of this By-Law, is guilty of an offence, and upon conviction is liable to a fine not exceeding the maximum provided under the Provincial Offences Act, exclusive of costs, and every such fine shall be recoverable under the Provincial Offences Act." and;

Pursuant to Section 5 of the said By-Law, fines shall be as follows:

**Minimum charge of \$200.00 plus actual cost**

It is highly recommended that users of the landfill sites bring their garbage, **ONLY** when an attendant is on duty. 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.

Landfill access permits are required at both municipal landfill sites as well as the McFarlane Street Transfer Station in Parry Sound. Access permits are available at the Municipal Office. Maps for the McFarlane St. Transfer Station can be obtained at the landfill sites or the Municipal Office.

**Household hazardous waste can be taken to the McFarlane Street Transfer Station from April to Thanksgiving**

Monday to Friday 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
 Saturday 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
 Sunday 12 noon – 6:00 p.m.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The Ratepayers of the Municipality of Whitestone are free to drop off household hazardous waste **ONLY**. The McFarlane Street Transfer Station will not accept any household garbage.

**Whitestone-Hagerman Memorial Public Library**

The Library is currently running free computer lessons for people who want to learn how to use the Web, E-mail and other software programs. Call to make an appointment for a one on one lesson. They are held on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons between 12:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. The library renovations are now complete, so why not drop by and see the wonderful improvement. We are now handicap accessible. Our children's library is taking shape and we will have more to offer the little people. Remember, they are tomorrow's readers. We also have new DVD's for rent as well as Videos.

**OPEN HOUSE & RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY  
 Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2006 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

**Hours of Operation**

Tuesday 12:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Wednesday 12:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
 Thursday 10:30 – 5:00 p.m. Saturday 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Librarian, Donna Detering**

**Whitestone & Area Nursing Station**

Phone (705) 389-1951 Fax (705) 389-1875

The Whitestone & Area Nursing Station is funded by the Ministry of Health & Long Term Care and is operated by the West Parry Sound Health Centre. This facility serves the population of Whitestone, Magnetawan and McKellar.

Services available include diagnosis and treatments of common illnesses, minor injuries, dressings, immunizations, well women, men and baby exams, allergy injections, diabetic foot care and blood work.

Please call for an appointment.

**Staff**

Dr. Hunkin (one day per month)  
 Carmen Broughton, Nurse Practitioner  
 Mary Smith, Medical Secretary

**Tax Department**

Tax payments can be made in person at the Municipal Office, by mail or postdated cheques. An after hours lock box is located outside the Municipal Office, 21 Church Street, Dunchurch, Ontario. Please make cheques payable to the Municipality of Whitestone.

Online banking is available from TD Canada Trust, Royal Bank, Scotia Bank and National Bank using your Roll Number as your account number.

Persons who have acquired property but have not received a tax bill should contact the Municipal Office. Failure to receive a tax bill does not relieve a taxpayer of the responsibility for payment of taxes nor the penalty for late payment.

**Returned cheque fee: \$30.00  
 Interim Tax Due Dates: March 23<sup>rd</sup> & May 25<sup>th</sup>**