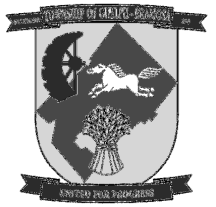


# Township of Guelph/Eramosa

## WINTER NEWSLETTER



www.get.on.ca

• 8348 Wellington Road 124 • Box 700 • Rockwood • Ontario • N0B 2K0 •

**Phone: (519) 856-9596 • Toll-free: 1-800-267-1465**

• Fax: (519) 856-2240 • Email: [general@get.on.ca](mailto:general@get.on.ca)

Hours of Operation: Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

## 2010 Interim Tax Bills

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### **Tax Payment Options**

The Township of Guelph/Eramosa offers a number of methods for making tax payments.

#### **1. Pre-Authorized Payment Plan**

For your convenience, the Township of Guelph/Eramosa can make pre-authorized automatic withdrawals from your bank account for tax payments. Please note that you may only enroll in the Pre-authorized Payment Plan if all taxes have been paid up to date. Your property must also be fully assessed to include both the land and structure values.

#### **NEW for 2010**

#### **Pre-Authorized on Installment Date.**

For questions and additional information please call (519) 856-9596, extension 104 for Laura Smith or extension 102 for Mary Keleher or visit the Township's website.

#### **2. Mail**

Payments can be mailed to the Township of Guelph/Eramosa, 8348 Wellington Road 124, Box 700, Rockwood, Ontario N0B 2K0. Please ensure that your mailed payment is postmarked by the due date to avoid interest charges.

#### **3. In-Person**

Payments are accepted Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Township Office (at Brucesdale).

#### **4. Night Depository**

A night deposit box is located on the east side of the Township Office, located at 8348 Wellington Road 124 (at Brucesdale) Rockwood, Ontario N0B 2K0.

#### **5. Financial Institutions**

Payments are accepted at **most** financial institutions when accompanied by your payment stub with barcode.

Telephone and Internet banking is available through most financial institutions.

#### **6. Post-Dated Cheques**

Post-dated cheques, corresponding with the dates on the remittance portions of your tax bill, are accepted and held for deposit as they become due. This saves postage charges and eliminates the possibility of missed due dates. Post-dated cheques payable to the Township of Guelph/Eramosa may be mailed, delivered in person or dropped in the after-hours drop box.

It is the responsibility of the person or company taxed to notify the Tax Office of any changes to the property, including address changes. Failure to receive a tax bill does not excuse the taxpayer from the responsibility of payment nor from liability of interest charges for late payments.

**The 2010 Interim Tax Billing Installment Dates are due on:**

**February 26, 2010 and May 31, 2010.**

## Property Assessment

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Please review your Property Assessment Notice received from the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation in the Fall of 2008. To learn how MPAC assesses properties or for details about the

reconsideration process, please contact them directly at 1-866-296-6722 or via their website: [www.mpac.ca](http://www.mpac.ca). The deadline to file a Request for Reconsideration with MPAC is March 31st of the tax year.

# Winter Parking & Snow Clearing

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## Parking

The Township makes every effort to clear snow from municipal roads and sidewalks in a timely manner. These efforts are hindered when vehicles are parked on streets and/or sidewalks.

A parking restriction is in effect on Township roadways between the hours of 2:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. from November 1—March 31. Vehicles parked on the road during these hours will be ticketed. If vehicles block snowplow operations, the vehicle will be ticketed and towed at the owner's expense.

Please keep your vehicles in your driveway during and following a snowfall so that all emergency vehicles can access your roads.

It is common sense, common courtesy and the law!

## Clearing Snow

When clearing snow from your driveway, please do not push it onto the roadway. It creates a hazard for the snowplow and may cause damage to the plow and the road.



Excess snow should be placed on your lawn or at the sides of your driveway.

Your assistance throughout the winter will help the Township provide efficient and cost-effective service.

## Snowmobiles and Off-Road Vehicles

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For many of us, winter brings the anticipation of snowmobile and off-road vehicle recreation. It is important to be aware of the by-law requirements in the Township, such as:

- Operation is prohibited on highways, sidewalks, boulevards, median strips and Township parks.
- Operation is prohibited between 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.
- Except for the purpose of ingress, egress and crossovers at a 90 degree angle, no person shall operate at any time on streets.

The operation of snowmobiles and off-road vehicles is regulated by the Highway Traffic Act and the Criminal Code of Canada.

**Drive cautiously to ensure you have an enjoyable, healthy and safe outdoor experience.**

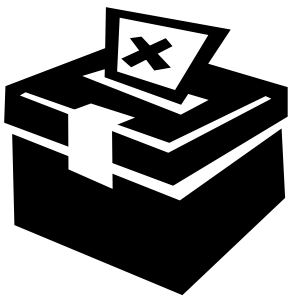
## 2010 Municipal Election

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**The 2010 Municipal Election will take place on Monday, October 25, 2010.**

Individuals interested in running for Mayor, Councillor, County Councillor Ward 8 or Separate School Board Trustee are invited to submit a nomination paper to the Clerk's Department by **Friday, September 10, 2010 @ 2:00 p.m.**

Candidates must be at least eighteen years of age, a Canadian citizen, a resident of the Township of Guelph/Eramosa or the owner or tenant of land in the Township of Guelph/Eramosa or the spouse or same sex partner of such owner or tenant. Candidates must not be ineligible or disqualified under the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, the Municipal Act, 2001, the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act or any other Act to be elected to or hold the above mentioned office. ***Please contact the Clerk's Department at (519) 856-9596 if you have questions or check the Township website for updates!***



## 2006-2010 Council Members

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**Mayor: Chris White**

Email: [whitecj@sympatico.ca](mailto:whitecj@sympatico.ca) Tel: (519) 856-0450

**Ward 1: Reta Moyer**

Email: [retamoyer@rogers.com](mailto:retamoyer@rogers.com) Tel:(519) 826-9086

**Ward 2: Roger Knapp**

Email: [ro.knapp@gmail.com](mailto:ro.knapp@gmail.com) Tel: (519) 767-1097

**Ward 3: Doug Breen**

Email: [dbreen@rogers.blackberry.net](mailto:dbreen@rogers.blackberry.net) Tel: (519) 856-1131

**Ward 4: John R. Scott**

Email: [john@scottfree.ca](mailto:john@scottfree.ca) Tel:(519) 856-4014

# Parks and Recreation Department



## MARDEN FIELD HOUSE—OPENING FALL 2010

Located in the 64 acre lands of Marden Park, two kilometres west of highway 6 in the Township, the future **Marden Field House** will become one of the first public facilities of its kind in Wellington County. This facility will house an artificial turf indoor sports field with a perimeter four lane rubberized running track, as well as additional amenities and services. The building will be complimented by the existing features of the park including the natural wooded areas, a 5.5 acre pond, a cold water stream, outdoor sports fields, picnic areas, community centre, and county library, thus enhancing the park experience for all members of the community. Funding for this project is made available through Canada's Economic Action Plan through the Federal and Provincial government.

## COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER ICE RINKS

We are happy to offer the following outdoor ice rink locations for your skating pleasure:

- Marden Park ~ Behind Marden Community Centre and Library, 7368 Wellington Road 30, Guelph
- Eden Mills Park ~ 19 Memorial Street, Eden Mills
- Valentino Park ~ Fountain Street, Rockwood
- Lloyd Dyer Park ~ Balaclava Street, Rockwood
- Cross Creek Park ~ 78 Cross Creek Blvd, Guelph

Volunteers are always needed! For information about being a volunteer please contact Vicki Hafner at (519) 856-9596 ext. 113.



The Parks and Recreation Department would like to thank all of our hard working and dedicated Township Volunteers who maintain these rinks ~ Thank You!

## Illegal Dumping

Illegal dumping continues to be a major concern for the Public Works Department. We need your help to keep our Township clean.

If you witness illegal dumping activities, please note the licence plate number and contact the Public Works Department at (519) 856-9596 extension 120.

## Special Celebration Certificates

The Township of Guelph/Eramosa will send out a Special Celebration Certificate to current residents of the Township for the following events:

- 25th wedding anniversary and any subsequent anniversary in five year intervals; and
- 80th birthdays and any subsequent birthdays.

You can obtain an application form by calling (519) 856-9596 ext. 125 or you may download a copy of the form from the Township's website at [www.get.on.ca](http://www.get.on.ca)

## Streetlights

If you notice a streetlight malfunctioning, please contact Loretta Vince at 519-856-9596 Ext. 120 or e-mail at [lvince@get.on.ca](mailto:lvince@get.on.ca)



Did you know that

East Wellington Community Services offers within the Township of Guelph/Eramosa

- Children and Youth's Programs
- Adult Day Program for people diagnosed with Alzheimer's or are medically fragile
- Volunteer Transportation for adults to attend medical and / or therapeutic appointments

➤ Food Bank ➤ Information and Referral  
Please call or visit our Rockwood Office at  
106 church Street, Rockwood

519-856-2113

Or visit our web-site

[www.eastwellingtoncommunityservices.com](http://www.eastwellingtoncommunityservices.com)

# 2010 Dog Tags

The Township of Guelph/Eramosa reminds dog owners of By-law 76/2003, a By-law for the registration and licensing of dogs and for the control of dogs generally.

The By-law requires, among other things, that your dog be licensed, under direct control of the owner (i.e. leashed in public) and that you "stoop and scoop" your dogs remains on both public and private property.

To file a By-law complaint or get clarification on any By-law related matter, please contact the By-law Enforcement/Property Standards Officer, Mathew Williamson, at 519-856-9596 Ext. 121.

The best way to protect your pet is to purchase a 2010 Dog License. By doing so, your contact information is on file so that you can be notified if your dog is lost and located.

Whether you have a new dog or your license has lapsed, now is the time to renew.

Please complete the form below and mail or deliver it to:

Township of Guelph/Eramosa  
8348 Wellington Road 124  
P.O. Box 700  
Rockwood, Ontario, N0B 2K0.



## The Corporation of the Township of Guelph/Eramosa Application for 2010 Dog Tag Licence

### PROTECT YOUR PET!

Please complete and return to 8348 Wellington Road 124, Box 700, Rockwood, ON N0B 2K0

Owner: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last Name First Name  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/Town Postal Code

Animal Control By-law No. 76/2003 – "No person shall own, harbour or keep more than 2 (two) dogs"

<b>1<sup>ST</sup> DOG</b> TAG NO. _____ Spayed/Neutered: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> \$15.00 No <input type="checkbox"/> \$20.00 Name: _____ Colour: _____ Sex: _____ Breed: _____ Age: _____	<b>2<sup>ND</sup> DOG</b> TAG NO. _____ Spayed/Neutered: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> \$20.00 No <input type="checkbox"/> \$25.00 Name: _____ Colour: _____ Sex: _____ Breed: _____ Age: _____
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**YOUR DOG TAG WILL BE MAILED TO THE ADDRESS ABOVE SO PLEASE SUPPLY A COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS.**  
 (\$5 charge applies for replacement dog tags)

**PLEASE NOTE – DOG TAGS PURCHASED AFTER MARCH 31, 2010 WILL BE SUBJECT TO AN ADDITIONAL FEE OF \$5.00**

Please make cheques payable to "Township of Guelph/Eramosa"  
 Debit card payments are accepted in the Township Office

Notice of Collection:

The collection of this information is being done under the authority of the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001 c.25, pursuant to Sections 10 and 11*, for the purpose of enforcing the Canine Control By-law. Should you have any questions about the collection or retention of this information, please contact Township Clerk at 856-9596 ext 107. This information will be provided to a third party for the purpose of animal control services as well as Humane Societies.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of dog owner Date

**NOTE: Application MUST be signed and dated**