



Township of Guelph/Eramosa

SUMMER

NEWSLETTER 2010

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By-law Enforcement

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Building Department

Mike Newark, Chief Building Official.....Extension 114

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9-1-1 is for EMERGENCIES ONLY

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Public Works Department

Loretta Vince, Public Works Assistant.....Extension 120

Water/Waste Water Department

Donna Button, Compliance/Administrative Assistant.....Extension 122

After Hours Service

Just a reminder that if there is a Township related emergency outside of regular business hours, please contact our After Hours Service for assistance at 519-856-9596 Ext. 250.

2010 Election



Township of Guelph/Eramosa 2010 Municipal Election
Remember to bring ID to the polling station!
It is a new requirement!

Be sure to check out the separate 2010 Election Newsletter for important information about the 2010 Municipal Election!

By-Law Enforcement/Property Standards

The Township of Guelph/Eramosa Property Standards By-law establishes standards for the keeping of clean yards. Under this by-law, stagnant water is not permitted on any residential property. Stagnant water can accumulate in old tires, bins, barrels, abandoned pools and other holding containers.

What's New?

The Township has recently passed By-law 42/2010, which is a by-law to regulate site alteration and to prevent the stockpiling of

fill and the import of contaminated fill from development sites outside of the local area. A permit for site alteration will now be required.

Copies of Township by-laws can be viewed on the Township website: <http://www.get.on.ca/bylaws.aspx>.

For information on these and other by-law matters, please call our By-law Enforcement Officer at 519-856-9596 ext. 121.

The Township would also like to remind individuals of the Township's Animal Control By-law (By-law 76/2003), which requires that dog owners pick up after their dog(s) on both their own and Township property; including parks and boulevards. As well, dog owners are reminded to purchase an annual dog license for their pet. Applications are available on the Township website <http://www.get.on.ca/forms-applications.aspx> or at the Township office.

Building Department

DECKS & ACCESSORY STRUCTURES

Before you order the wood to build your deck or accessory structure, remember that building permits are required for all decks. Accessory structures, including sheds and detached garages greater than 10 square metres (107 square feet) in size also require building permits. Zoning regulations also apply to decks and accessory structures.

Detached garage and shed regulations include:

- Height restrictions;
- Maximum lot and yard coverage; and
- Distance from property lines.

Regulations for decks vary depending on:

- The zoning of your property;
- The yard the deck is located in; and
- The design of the deck (height, roofed).



General Information to keep in mind:

- Structures are not permitted on easements and rights-of-way; and
- Call before you dig for the location of underground services. (Ontario One Call for Gas, Cable & Telephone: 1-800-400-2255; Hydro One in Guelph: 1-888-664-9316; Township Office for Water & Sewer: 1-800-267-1465 Ext. 122)

If you have any questions about the information provided, please contact the Building Department at (519) 856-9596 extension 114 or visit our website at: www.get.on.ca.

Open-Air Burning

The Township's open air burning by-law requires residents who wish to hold an open air burn to apply for an open air burning permit. Open air burning is the ignition or incineration by fire for the purpose of burning grass, clean wood or other combustibles in any open place, yard, field or construction area which is not enclosed by a building or structure.

An open air burning permit is valid for 365 days and the cost of the permit is \$25.00.

Once the permit has been issued it is not necessary to contact the Fire Department when you plan to burn.

Recreational fires, with the use of a recreational burning device such as a chimenea and cooking fires do not require a permit. The Township's open air burning by-law sets out which must be followed for all fires within the Township, including open air burning, recreational fires, cooking fires and burn barrels.



Please note that time restrictions are in place to set out times that people are allowed to burn. Open air burning may take place between 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Recreational burning may take place from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. and cooking fires may take place between 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. A complete copy of the Township's open air burning by-law and the amendment to the open air burning by-law may be downloaded from the Township's by-law section of our website at: www.get.on.ca or call 519-856-9596 ext. 125.

Emergency Management

Tornado Season

Wellington County is in the Southern Ontario Tornado alley. Heed Environment Canada warnings issued on the Radio or TV. Tornadoes happen suddenly, take appropriate cover.

Warning signs of a potential tornado

Warning signs include:

- Severe thunderstorms, with frequent thunder and lightning
- An extremely dark sky, sometimes highlighted by green or yellow clouds
- A rumbling sound or a whistling sound.

A funnel cloud at the rear base of a thundercloud, often behind a curtain of heavy rain or hail.

For more information on what to do during a tornado visit www.getprepared.ca and sign up for their monthly email safety tip.

72—Hour Emergency Kit

Emergencies and disasters can happen at any time. In the event of such a crisis, it makes sense to prepare for the unexpected. The Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services recommends that everyone have their own emergency survival kit which will carry them through 72 hours—allowing time for help to arrive.

For more helpful information on this topic; including what to put in your kit, please call toll-free 1-866-517-0571 or visit www.mcscs.jus.gov.on.ca.

Public Works

Landscaping Wood Chips

Woodchips for landscaping are available to Township residents free of charge on a first come/first served basis. The pile has recently been relocated to the north east corner of the paved parking lot and is available 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week. Please remember that you must bring your own shovel and do the work yourself. **NOTE: The operation of private heavy equipment is not permitted on Municipal Property.**

Illegal Dumping

Illegal dumping continues to be a major concern for the Roads Department. We need your help to keep our Township clean. If you witness illegal dumping activities, please note the licence plate number and contact our office at 519-856-9596 Ext. 120.

Street Lighting & Trees

The Township is responsible for repairing any streetlights within rural areas that are malfunctioning and for trimming/removing

any dead trees on the municipal right of way. If you notice a street light that is not working properly or a tree that is dead, please contact our office at 519-856-9596 Ext.120

Crossing Guard

The Roads Department is looking for a School Crossing Guard to assist in providing safety for pedestrians on Alma St. traveling to and from school for the 2010-2011 school year. If you are interested in the position, please contact our office at 519-856-9596 Ext. 108

Water and Wastewater

Current Outside Water Use Restrictions

The Township of Guelph/Eramosa is currently at Level 0; therefore, even-numbered municipal addresses may water their lawns/gardens and wash their vehicles on even-numbered calendar days between 7:00—9:00 a.m. and 7:00—9:00 p.m. Odd-numbered municipal addresses may water their lawns/gardens and wash their vehicles on odd-numbered calendar days between 7:00—9:00 a.m. and 7:00—9:00 p.m. Please remember that wasting of Municipal water is not permitted under any level.

New Lawn Permits

A new lawn permit can be obtained from the Township Office during Levels 0 & 1 only and are valid for 30 days. A \$20.00 administration fee will apply.

Having this permit allows you to water for the first 10 days consecutively (with time restrictions) and subsequent days after that. For further information please call Donna in our Water/Wastewater Department at (519) 856-9596 extension 122 or visit our website at www.get.on.ca.

Help Keep Rockwood's Sewer System Fat-Free

Not everything that goes into Rockwood's sewer system will make its way to the Guelph Wastewater Treatment Plant. Just like a steady diet of greasy food can clog your arteries, grease flushed down the pipes blocks sewers. Over time, grease can build up and eventually block an entire pipe, surging up through sinks, floor drains and toilets causing sewage backups and overflows.

Tips for Keeping Rockwood's Sewer Systems & Sewage Lift Stations Fat-Free

- Scrape solidified grease and food scraps from your plates, utensils, pots, pans, food preparation area and cooking area into your Wet bag or compost pile.
- Place a strainer in your sink to catch food scraps and other solids. Dispose of grease and food scraps in your Wet bag or compost pile.
- Use a paper towel to wipe up grease and dispose of the paper towel in your Wet bag or compost pile.
- Be careful when using commercial cleaner or detergent which claim to dissolve grease as they may only transport the problem further down the sewer system.



Solid Waste Services—County of Wellington

SOLID WASTE SERVICES

Curbside Cardboard Collection REMINDERS

Please bundle your cardboard with string or tape to a size no larger than 30 cm x 60 cm x 60 cm (1' x 2' x 2'). Up to three bundles may be placed out on collection day. Large cardboard boxes from items such as furniture, appliances and electronics, must



be broken down into smaller pieces before bundling. Why? Large pieces will not fit into the opening on the side of the collection truck.

Electronics Recycling Event Day

Do you have old computers, televisions or electronics that no longer work? On Saturday, October 23, 2010 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., bring your old electronics to a special collection day which will take place in the parking lot at the Rockmosa Community Centre (74 Christie Street, Rockwood).

Although this service is provided free-of-charge, please keep in mind that cash and non-perishable food donations will be collected at the event day in support of local food banks. If you are unsure if an item can be accepted, please contact SWS in advance of the event.

For more information on garbage and recycling, please contact Solid Waste Services (SWS) at (519) 837-2601 or visit www.wellington.ca.

Community Corner

Annual Hillside Music Festival

July 23, 24, 25 2010
www.hillsidefestival.ca

21st Annual Eden Mills Writers Festival

September 19, 2010
www.edenmillswritersfestival.ca

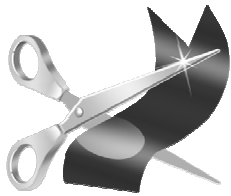
On behalf of the Mayor, Members of Council and staff, thank you to all who volunteered to serve on a Township Committee during this past term! Thank you for your commitment to your community!

Royal **DISTRIBUTING** ATHLETIC PERFORMANCE CENTER



Indoor & Outdoor Sports Field, Indoor Walking and Running Track

This 56,000 sq. ft. facility will become a landmark destination for members of the community and visitors alike who enjoy indoor and outdoor sports, fitness and recreation activities. The Athletic Performance Centre is ideally situated to serve both the local and surrounding sporting communities. This development will accommodate existing programs and allow for programming growth for a variety of activities including football, soccer, track and field, lacrosse, walking and much more. How will you use this exciting facility? Start a walking group? Form an active over 50 club? Organize pick-up field sports with family or friends? Or celebrate a birthday? The choice is yours—it's your facility to enjoy!



Grand Opening Celebration: Saturday September 25, 2010 from 11:00am-3:00pm

Join us for the Grand Opening! There will be entertainment, local food, sports demonstrations and all kinds of activities for kids of all ages.

Facility Rentals: Indoor Field rental time is still available for this fall and winter. To book field time, call 519-856-9596 x113. The running and walking track is available free of use to residents of our Township.

Fundraiser BBQ and Silent Auction

At Cox Creek Cellars

Sunday August 22, 2010

1:00pm-5:00pm Ticket price \$35

For Tickets Call: 519-767-3253



Donor Wall: The Township is pleased to offer the opportunity for community investment through the provision of prominent naming opportunities for families, individual or corporations interested in supporting the construction of this community facility. To ensure the successful construction of this community amenity, the Township is engaging in a community-wide fundraising campaign. For a charitable gift of \$250 or more you can have your family or business name proudly displayed on a donor recognition wall that will be permanently displayed in the main lobby. The Donor recognition wall will be constructed out of plate glass mounted with exposed stainless steel hangers, to view a sample of the wall visit www.get.on.ca/fieldhouse

ROYAL DISTRIBUTING
ATHLETIC PERFORMANCE
CENTRE

INDOOR & OUTDOOR SPORTS FIELD
INDOOR WALKING & RUNNING TRACK

**Active Communities
Campaign**

For more information
please contact The Township of Guelph/Eramosa
at (519) 856-9596 Ext. 110 or visit our website

www.get.on.ca/fieldhouse

The **Royal Distributing Athletic Performance Centre "Active Communities Campaign"** will provide residents of all ages and abilities a first-class, year-round recreational facility and make Guelph/Eramosa an even more desirable community in which to live, work, play and operate a business.

TOTAL PLEDGE \$ _____ INITIAL GIFT (2010) \$ _____ BALANCE OF DONATION \$ _____

REMAINING PLEDGE PAYMENTS

Amount of annual payment installment and month in which installment will be remitted:

Amount	Month	Amount	Month	Amount	Month	Amount	Month
2011 \$ _____		2012 \$ _____		2013 \$ _____		2014 \$ _____	

Name: _____ Company: _____

Address: _____ (Please Print) City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code _____

Phone: _____ Email _____

Signature _____ Date _____ Canvasser _____ Date _____

(Witness)

I would like to remain anonymous. Please do not publicize my name as a campaign donor.

The Income Tax Act provides that donations to a municipality are tax deductible.

NOTE: Please provide name(s) to be used for donor recognition purposes if different from above.

Please make cheques payable to: Township of Guelph/Eramosa "Active Communities Campaign"

Mail to Township of Guelph/Eramosa, PO BOX 700 Rockwood, ON N0B 2K0
or donate on-line using pay-pal www.get.on.ca/marden-house-sponsorship.aspx