



Council Communicator

Township of Smith-Ennismore-Lakefield

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Smith-Ennismore-Lakefield purchased a new pumper truck in 2008. Deputy Reeve Mary Smith, Sherry Senis (Smith Ward), Donna Ballantyne (Ennismore) Ward, Anita Locke (Lakefield Ward), Reeve Ron Millen, Fire Chief Gord Jopling and Deputy Fire Chief Ted Jackman (in cab).

Bridgenorth Library/ Multi-use room & fundraising campaign

The Township of Smith-Ennismore-Lakefield has begun the construction of a new Bridgenorth Branch library and multi-purpose hall. Township Council confirmed their support to build a new Main Library Branch in Bridgenorth of approximately 6,500 sq. ft. with an adjoining 2,000 sq. ft. multi-use room.

The Township has received a provincial grant of almost \$1 million that will fund part of the overall project as well as enhancements to the landscape and streetscape, linking the new facility with the core of the hamlet.

The Library Board accepted the challenge to furnish and equip the new library and launched the capital campaign "Opening a New Door to My Public Library". Thanks to a very generous lead donation of \$175,000 from the Chemung Lake District Lions

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Staff retirements

Norm Kyle – Chief Administrative Officer

After 38 years of municipal service, Norm Kyle retired from the position of Chief Administrative Officer for the Township of Smith-Ennismore-Lakefield on June 6, 2008.

Prior to becoming a municipal employee Norm served as an elected official. He was elected as Councillor for the former Township of Ennismore in 1968.

Norm began his career at General Electric in Peterborough.

While serving on Council, Norm could envision ways to make a difference in the community where he was born and raised. In March 1970, Norm changed his municipal hat from politician to employee and was appointed as Clerk, Treasurer, Relief Officer and Tax Collector for the Township of Ennismore.

Norm was no stranger to municipal service. His grandfather Dan Holland served as Ennismore's Treasurer in the 1940's. When his grandfather passed away, his mother Helena took over temporarily as Treasurer for her late father.

When Norm was appointed, he was the only administrative municipal employee. He issued tax bills, collected taxes, acted as the Clerk and Relief Officer, administered the municipal election process which at that time was held annually, and worked with Council to establish the annual budget ... just to name a few of his duties.

Over the years, in addition to his duties as Clerk/Treasurer, Norm has been the Lottery Licensing Officer, Chief Building Official, Building Inspector and Animal Control Officer.

In 1983 he was appointed Chief Administrative Officer of the Township of Ennismore, a title he has held through two municipal amalgamations. He has served as a volunteer fire fighter for over 45 years, has been active in the Association of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers Association of Ontario and is a founding member of the Peterborough City-County Disaster Trust Fund where he has served as a member of the Board



Janice Lavalley (new CAO) with retired CAO Norm Kyle.

since 1980. Norm is an avid outdoorsman and in addition to pursuing these hobbies, plans to enjoy his retirement with his wife Judy along with their children and grandchildren.

Jim Hickson – Manager of Public Works

Another long serving Township employee will also retire in the Fall after 38 years of municipal service.

In the late 1960's, Jim Hickson owned his own tandem truck and worked on contract for the former Township of Ennismore. Shortly after Norm Kyle was hired in 1970, Jim was hired part-time to operate the Township's grader.

Later in 1970, Jim was hired full-time to operate the grader. He worked along with his supervisor Harold Flood, to grade and plow all of the roads in the former Ennismore Township.

In 1973, he was appointed as the Acting Roads Superintendent and in 1974 was officially appointed Roads Superintendent. Although the title has changed over the years, Jim has managed the Public Works Department since 1973. In 1991, Jim received his CRS-S (Certified Road Supervisors – Senior) designation from the Ontario Good Roads Association.

Like Norm Kyle, Jim has served under four Reeves: Robert E. Young, Doris Brick, Burritt Mann and the current Reeve, Ron Millen.

He has been a member of the Peterborough County Roads Superintendents Association since 1974 and has served on the Executive's Association as Vice President. He was also a volunteer firefighter for 10 years with the Ennismore Fire Department.

The Department has expanded from a staff of two employees to twenty and in addition to road maintenance and snowplowing, is now responsible for road and sidewalk construction, streetlights, and for operating three gravel pits, an active Landfill site and overseeing curbside garbage collection.

Jim has a vast collection of antique cars, trucks and tractors, enjoys travelling with his wife Kim and plans to spend time with their children and grandchildren.



Jim Hickson

Official Plan & Zoning Bylaw

Our harmonized Official Plan has been approved at the Township and County levels and was forwarded to the Province on January 23rd of this year. We are still awaiting their final approval of the Plan. Once that happens, the next step is to harmonize and amend our zoning bylaws. We will then be having an open house, followed by a statutory public meeting for public input. Watch the papers for the advertised dates for these upcoming meetings.

Doctor recruitment policy

SEL has established a doctor recruitment policy. The total value of the township's contribution will be \$260,000.00 over the next three years.

\$200,000 of that amount is the township's commitment towards the proposed Lakefield Community Medical Centre. \$60,000 goes towards physician incentive grants, four doctors at \$15,000 each.

Physicians wishing to benefit from the incentive grant will be asked to give preference to patients residing in the township.

Dr. Laverne Arthur opened a new practice in Lakefield on March 1 and has signed up over 800 formerly-orphaned patients. Dr. Arthur is part of the Family Health Team of Bridgenorth and Lakefield.

Those in need of a family physician can still have their names added to a waiting list by calling the Office of Primary Care at (705) 740-8020.

New assessed values coming for 2009 tax year

In 2006, the Ontario Minister of Finance announced that property tax reassessments by the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) would be cancelled for the 2007 and 2008 taxation years to allow for the implementation of the Ombudsman's recommendations to Ontario's property assessment system.

As a result, the majority of property assessments have not changed from their 2005 assessed values. Only those properties that have experienced an actual change through demolition, addition or requested reassessment will have updated assessed values.

The recent Ontario budget announced that the reassessment process currently underway for the 2009 taxation year will also include the following provisions:

- A four-year reassessment cycle;

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COUNCIL COMMUNICATOR: TELL US WHAT YOU THINK!

The township is working on a Communications Strategy to determine the best method to communicate with ratepayers. Your feedback is appreciated (attach additional pages if required).

Do you find the newsletter helpful? Can it be improved? If so, what do you suggest? _____

In looking at our Strategic Plan (page 3) what priorities or initiatives do you see fitting in with the Strategic Plan that you would like Council to pursue? _____

Would you like to receive this newsletter by email? Is yes, please provide your email address: _____

Name and address (optional) _____

Thank you for taking the time to tell us what you think. Return this feedback form by mail, email or fax. Refer to the top of page 1 for address information.

Bridgenorth facility and library campaign

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Club, this campaign will undoubtedly be a success.

This financial support will provide furnishings and equipment for an expanded children's area and programming space, young adult reading area, study carrels, fireplace reading area and greater access to the Internet including wireless hotspots for personal laptop use. Furthermore, the funds will provide efficient work stations for staff and dozens of volunteers. The ultimate goal is to provide a richer experience for those who visit the library – a space that is relaxing as well as engaging.

"We are overwhelmed by the generosity of the Che-

New assessed values coming for 2009 tax year

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- A mandatory phase-in of assessment related increases;
- This phase-in will apply to assessment increases for all property classes;
- The phase-in will not apply to assessment decreases.

It is hoped that the four year phase-in of assessment increases will provide an additional level of stability and predictability for property owners and municipalities.

Former Ennismore church lands

Council authorized staff to proceed with determining possibilities for the former United Church lands located on Ennis Road in Ennismore.

The former Ennismore United Church gifted approximately 10 acres of land to the Township in 2006. As a condition of the sale, the lands are to be used as a community facility, which include some the following uses: parkland, community centre, arena, senior citizen's housing, municipal facility etc...

In order to determine possible uses, an analysis of water capacity on the site is being undertaken. The study is expected to be completed this summer at which time Council can make some decisions on possibilities for the property.

Affordable Housing

Peterborough Housing Corporation (PHC) will be developing 50 affordable housing units in Lakefield geared to seniors' living.

Council has supported the project by donating a portion of municipally owned land located at the corner of Reid and Rabbit Streets (adjacent to the Fire Hall).

PHC is hopeful that it will receive funding to provide supportive housing in 30 of the units which would allow seniors to remain living in their home with some assistance.

There will be a mixture of one and two bedroom units. Community space is also expected to be incorporated into the development. Lakefield Community Care and the Golden Years Club have expressed interest in utilizing this community space. Construction is expected to begin this summer with potential occupancy in Spring 2009.

Fire Master Plan in place for township

Council recently endorsed its first ever Fire Master Plan. This provides the Township with a 10 year plan for fire safety with goals which we would like to accomplish in five year increments. This will provide better fire service for the whole municipality.

Intersection of Yankee Line and Robinson Road

The County of Peterborough plans to create a three-way stop at the intersection of Yankee Line and Robinson Road in Ennismore.

The current right hand turning lane that merges traffic from Yankee Line onto Robinson Road will be retained.

Dedicated left and right hand turn lanes will be created on Robinson Road to access Yankee Line.

The changes to the intersection are intended to improve the flow of traffic.

The changes are expected to be implemented in the Fall of 2008.

munig Lake District Lions Club," said Barbara Smith, chair of the Smith-Ennismore-Lakefield Library Board. "This significant contribution will allow us to primarily focus on community outreach during the campaign, ensuring that the community is aware of the project and the new services it brings," stated Mrs. Smith.

The new Bridgenorth library will be on Charles St., across the road from Chemong Public School, and is projected to open in early 2009. It is one of three branch libraries in the Township. Branches in Ennismore and Lakefield will continue to be an integral part of the library system by providing resources, programs

and Internet access.

Updates on the project can be viewed at:

www.MyPublicLibrary.ca.



AON development in Lakefield South

AON Inc. has proposed a 406-unit residential development in the Lakefield South development area.

The project would include a mix of 26 detached single family homes, 260 long term care/retirement units (two storey), 60 garden suites and a 60-unit residential apartment building (three storeys). It will be serviced by Lakefield water and sewer.

The project is immediately south of Coyle Crescent, and access would be by a 240 metre southward ex-

tension of Murray Street, off Clementi and William Streets.

Amendments to the township Official Plan and Zoning Bylaw are required in order for the project to proceed, and council voted to receive the report following a statutory public meeting held in May.

AON Inc. made application to Peterborough County for Plan of Subdivision approval, and to the township for Official Plan and Zoning Bylaw amendments.

2008 County of Peterborough Awards of Recognition

The following are the township residents, organizations and sporting teams which were honoured at the Peterborough County Recognition Awards ceremony June 6:

- Business Leadership: Cavanagh Disposals
- Community Involvement: Lakefield Community Medical Support Foundation Directors
- Entrepreneurial Innovation: Anne's Studios
- Heritage Preservation: Sheila and Roy Garrett

Heroism: Robert Skrepnek and Family of Burlington

- Significant Milestone: Walter Walker
- Sporting Excellence: Lakefield Coyle's Tire and Auto Peewees, Lakefield NAPA Auto Parts Midgets, Robert Young Construction Juveniles
- Volunteerism: Anita Hayes
- Youth: Mark Turner, Sebastian Korkus and Michael Zukowski

Curve Lake water treatment plant and Addition-To-Reserve

Curve Lake First Nation (CLFN) and its engineers (Henderson Paddon) has been meeting regularly with the township and its engineers (Trow) regarding a proposed water treatment plant on property it owns adjacent to the CLFN reserve.

Following months of consultation, the township has endorsed the project. CLFN agreed to undertake additional works as recommended by Trow Associates, and as a result the township is now in a position to support the project.

The property is the subject of a separate Addition to Reserve (ATR) proposal presently being negotiated between CLFN and Indian and Northern Affairs Canada.

At its May 27 meeting, the township passed a motion supporting the ATR proposal as a number of issues have been successfully negotiated with CLFN, including the financial compensation for loss of taxable assessment over a five year period, a suitable easement agreement between the two parties, and the transfer of township road allowances to CLFN.

Expansion of internet services

The Township is supporting the County of Peterborough's initiative to expand broadband internet services in the County.

The County received approximately \$1 million in provincial funding to expand internet service and has partnered with Nexicom which will supply the service.

Two new towers in the Deer Bay and the Selwyn Conservation areas have been installed. The Township has

contributed \$25,000 as well as in-kind services to facilitate the tower installations.

Contact Nexicom at 1-888-639-4266 for more information.

It is anticipated that Bell Aliant (a division of Bell Canada), will upgrade its infrastructure to expand its DSL (high speed internet service) service in the Ennismore and Curve Lake areas.

More information will be provided when available.

Upcoming council meeting dates to end of the year

Council meetings are generally held the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, beginning at 7:00 p.m. (note: new start time of meetings effective June 2008) with the exception of July, August and December (one meeting each per month). Committee of Adjustment is

held the fourth Tuesday of each month prior to Council meetings. Dates to end of 2008: July 15, August 12, September 9 and 23, October 14 and 28, November 11 and 25, December 9. Meetings are held in Council Chambers, 1310 Centre Line Smith Ward.

What do I get for my tax dollar?

Approximately 65% of your total property taxes flow to the County of Peterborough and the Boards of Education. The remaining tax dollars fund the municipal services noted below.

- Police and fire services
- Weekly garbage pick-up and landfill site operations
- Excellent road network, including snow removal and sanding
- Arenas, Marina, parks, special events and trail networks
- Governance of local planning matters, By-laws, policies and other issues
- Library services at any of the three branches.
- Conservation lands (Otonabee Conservation), flood control and environmental protection services ... and more!

Organizational Review completed

To achieve many of the goals outlined in the Strategic Plan, an Organizational Review was completed to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the Township's operations.

During the review, all Township employees were interviewed and asked to comment on the current working environment and to identify ways to improve the Township's operations and services.

Five other comparable municipalities were consulted to exchange information and to determine possible 'best practices' that could be incorporated into the Township's operations.

The Township had delayed filling recent position vacancies pending the completion of the Organizational Review.

As a result, some positions have been re-aligned to better meet the Township's needs and some new positions will be created in order to appropriately deliver services and programs.

Streamlining Council procedures through improvements to the agenda format and adopting a paperless e-agenda were also approved.

Most recommendations will be implemented over the next two years.

Come Grow With Us!

Reeve Ron Millen
(705) 292-5144

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Consistent and equitable treatment of medical centres

The past term of Council has seen considerable debate regarding a medical centre in Lakefield.

A private clinic already exists in Bridgenorth which is ready to accommodate new doctors.

While we have provided grants towards facilities, the majority position of this Council has been to neither own nor finance building facilities directly.

We have a doctor incentive program that will provide funds to new doctors in any part of the township. It is important for Council to provide consistent and equitable government to all parts of the Township.

I wish to commend the outstanding community fundraising in Lakefield. This will result in a second medical centre.

The Foundation has chosen to accept financing from Douro-Dummer instead of accepting a build/financing offer from AON (at an interest rate of prime to prime plus one). We respect their choice.

SEL will provide a grant of \$200,000.

Deputy Reeve Mary Smith
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Serving the taxpayers of SEL

As your Deputy Reeve, I have enjoyed the privilege over the past year, of meeting many residents and attending many events in our large and diverse township.

As County Councillor, I continue to work hard at increasing the communications to council, staff and taxpayers, regarding the County of Peterborough's ongoing services and initiatives, including recycling changes, road construction projects and intersection changes.

As the township's representative on the new Source Protection Committee under the Clean Water Act, I was chosen chairperson of the Municipal Committee, representing the view of our county/city municipalities, to identify, assess and address risks to drinking water in the Trent Conservation Coalition area.

As a member of the Peterborough Lakefield Police Services Board, I continue to chair the Budget Committee and was the board's representative on the Business Plan 2007-2009 Committee.

I look forward to another busy year ahead.

Councillor Sherry Senis
(Smith Ward)
(705) 657-1166

Email: wssenis@sympatico.ca

Smith Ward goes "Green"

We have two green energy projects underway both in Smith Ward. Trent Rapids Power Corp. is constructing a dam to produce hydro electric power, after obtaining all approvals. Construction is predicted to take 14-17 months. Expect some traffic delays from time to time along Lakefield Road/Water Street. The construction won't affect boaters. A solar panel farm, off Lily Lake Rd., has also received planning approvals to begin implementation. The solar farm will be made up of numerous solar panels laid out over a 70 acre area capable of producing enough energy to power 2000 households.

Congratulations to all who graduated this year, whether it was from daycare, kindergarten, grade school, high school, college or university. Your journey has just begun! Please call me if you require assistance regarding our Township at 705-657-1166 email: wssenis@sympatico.ca.

Councillor Donna Ballantyne
(Ennismore Ward)
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Community spirit is alive and well

It has been about a year since our last formal communication; I hope this year's issue finds you in good health.

Ennismore people continue to work in a spirit of community and compromise and I am proud to be the Councillor for this ward.

The Ennismore Optimist Club has partnered with the library and leases space in the basement area. Even though their mandate is for youth programs they share this space with the library as well as the Ennismore Seniors. Since our seniors lost their previous space the Township has also worked with them to accommodate other activities such as pool, darts and wood carving in under utilized space in the Ennismore Fire Hall. Kudos to these groups who have worked together for the betterment of all!

Don't hesitate to call me with questions and concerns.

Councillor Anita Locke
(Lakefield Ward)
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"If we build it they will come"

The township of Douro-Dummer (DD) has successfully rezoned the site (donated by the Ambler family) for the proposed Lakefield Primary Health Care Centre (which will serve residents of SEL and DD).

Fundraising to date has generated over \$2.2 million in cash and pledges. (An updated total will be announced in July.) For more information about the proposed medical centre call the campaign office at (705) 652-1915. (New location as of June 23: storefront of In A Nutshell, Lakefield).

Traffic changes in Lakefield: Just a reminder that there have been some changes to Bridge and Water Street intersections (County Rd 32 and 29), Lakefield. Water Street is now "right in, right out" (only), and there are no left turns allowed from Bridge to Water.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer everyone!

Five-year Strategic Plan adopted in July 2007

Look for the full Strategic Plan on the Township's web site or refer to this one page summary

Vision
A vibrant mosaic of communities that values its people and heritage, appeals to all ages and stages of life, protects its environment and quality of life, and plans for and manages its growth and economic development.

Mission
Partnering with the community, key stakeholders and the other levels of government, we are a leader in the provision of innovative, efficient and effective municipal services, valued by our citizens.

GOALS

Quality of Life: To provide the high-quality municipal services and programs that will promote and strengthen our sense of community while appealing to all ages, stages of life and abilities, and reflecting our socio/economic diversity.

Environmental Stewardship: To protect, enhance and sustain our lakes, shoreline and natural features as part of a vital, green and healthy ecosystem while striving to reduce our carbon footprint.

Managed Growth and Development: To plan for and support the timely delivery of well-planned new, or redeveloped, residential, commercial and light industrial opportunities through a controlled provision of infrastructure.

Infrastructure Support: To strategically manage, enhance and renew the Township's physical, social and technology infrastructure to meet the demands of a thriving community.

Fiscal Responsibility: To ensure that resources are managed responsibly and taxpayers continue to receive the best value for their present and future tax dollar.

Organizational Excellence: To pursue excellence in managing and delivering the highest quality services through quality people.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

Working with Other Key Stakeholders:

- Explore the potential of developing an **employment strategy**, with a particular focus on employment for ages 25-44
- Develop a detailed **plan** to meet the needs of our **seniors** that will consider and address key areas such as housing and areas for activity
- Develop an overall **growth strategy and plan**, including water and wastewater, which links to, and integrates with existing Township plans
- Develop an **environmental action plan** for the Township which protects the natural resources and ensures they continue to be an asset

Working with Township Council and Staff:

- Conduct an **organizational review** that will consider and define the appropriate balance of resources with service levels and identify staff development and succession plans

CORPORATE INITIATIVES

Quality of Life

- Explore opportunities to better access and expand the trail system
- Develop accessibility plans for all Township owned facilities
- Work with existing community stakeholders to attract and retain physicians
- Encourage the growth of the arts and culture sector

Environmental Stewardship

- Develop a plan to enable extended life of Township owned waste management site on County Road 18
- Develop streetlight guidelines
- Develop an energy conservation plan for Township facilities & equipment

Managed Growth and Development

- Explore the development of community improvement plans
- Develop strategies to support promote home based businesses
- Explore the re-establishment of a Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

Infrastructure Support

- Develop a lifecycle approach and plan for asset management, while investing in building maintenance

Fiscal Responsibility

- Initiate a planning cycle to support longer term capital budgets
- Implement a plan to achieve earlier adoption of annual budget

Operational Excellence

- Develop a standard approach to project planning and execution, including a standard set of templates, to increase the readiness of the Township to launch and successfully complete projects
- Develop staff through cross training to allow the Township to cover core responsibilities
- Develop a comprehensive communications strategy
- Review existing service levels and adjust operating plans accordingly

VALUES

Integrity: Demonstrating honesty and sincerity in everything we do.

Trust and Respect: Acting in good faith with due consideration and compassion for others.

Accountability: Taking personal responsibility for the impact and quality of our actions.

Professionalism: Providing consistently excellent service.

OPERATING PRINCIPLES

Strive for service excellence by anticipating and planning for the needs of our citizens while continually improving service delivery.

Seek efficiency by eliminating unnecessary bureaucracy.

Respect, mentor and support our staff.

Encourage a team environment to maximize results.

Reflect our fiscal priorities and make decisions that align with our strategic direction.

Ensure that all citizens are treated in a professional manner.



Lakefield Herald

The Rotary Club of Bridgenorth-Ennismore-Lakefield celebrated as they cut the ribbon on the newly built gazebo at Rotary Park (at the end of the James Gifford Causeway), thanks to a \$21,000 grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF). Various dignitaries and BEL Rotary members were on hand, including SEL Reeve Ron Millen, County Deputy Warden J. Murray Jones and Giv Devitt, BEL Rotary president. Rotary Park has been enjoyed by thousands of users over the years.

Fast facts

about your Township

- A private company offers a Bus Service from the communities of Bridgenorth, Curve Lake, Ennismore and Lakefield. It's economical, environmentally friendly and has several convenient runs, including some mid-day runs. Check out the Township web site or contact 705-748-6411 for further details.
- 323 building permits totaling almost \$28 million in construction value were issued by the Township's Building and Planning Department in 2007.
- The Township has traditionally had the lowest municipal tax rate in the County of Peterborough while offering a host of services, which is attractive to residents and potential investors.
- 85,000 trees have been planted in the Township in recent years.

Sunday hunting

Council recently voted in favour of the practice of Sunday gun hunting during regular hunting seasons, joining 145 other municipalities in Southern Ontario. A public meeting was held, and the majority who attended were overwhelmingly in favor of adopting the practice. The benefits include economic growth increase, a means to reduce the large population growth of wildlife, which in turn, helps reduce losses suffered by farmers as a result of crop damage, and increasing public safety. Wildlife/car collisions have increased by 86% over the last ten years. The Ministry of Natural Resources must still give approval prior to Sunday gun hunting commencing in the Township.



Lakefield Herald

Mark Coady (Publicity and Light Pollution Abatement for the Peterborough Astronomical Association and member of the National Light Pollution Committee for the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada) presented an award to SEL recognizing the township's efforts towards light pollution abatement. Its noise and property standards by-laws contain light pollution clauses; the township has committed to adhering to recommended standards with new and replacement lighting.

Economic Development

A FREE listing on the Township website is available for applicable Township businesses and community groups. The application is posted on the website.

Province bans pesticides for cosmetic use

The township ban for use of pesticides for cosmetic use is now in effect and the Province has now passed a bill to put a provincial ban in place. This will create consistency across the Province and will likely prohibit the sale of pesticides for cosmetic use, thereby restricting what people can buy. It's expected to take effect in Spring 2009.

Crime doesn't pay, We do!!

Since its inception in 1987, Peterborough Northumberland Crimestoppers has received 27,030 tips from people who want safer communities. Tips have assisted the police in the arrest of 2,856 people, who faced 7,182 charges. \$3,899,233 in property has been seized and \$75,627,057 worth of illicit narcotics has been taken off the streets in our communities.

Residents of Smith-Ennismore-Lakefield are reminded to contact Crimestoppers if they have information that will help solve crime.

Crimestoppers number is 1-800-222-TIPS / 705-745-9000; you can also submit a tip online at www.stop-crimehere.ca



Township staff

In 2007, the Township of Smith-Ennismore-Lakefield received a grant of \$392,200 through the Provincial Rural Infrastructure Initiative. This grant was used to fund a number of improvements to the Community Centres in Ennismore and in Lakefield, some of them related to improving accessibility. A fully accessible washroom was installed at the Ennismore Community Centre and accessibility improvements were made to some of the washrooms and the entrance door at the Lakefield-Smith Community Centre. A viewing ramp was also installed at the Lakefield location which now allows for accessible spectator viewing of the ice surface. Alec Denys, a member of the Joint County and Township Accessibility Advisory Committee, demonstrated the ramp at a recent committee meeting.

72-Hour personal emergency preparedness kit

Everyone should be prepared to handle the first 72 hours of any emergency allowing first responders to focus on people with urgent needs. The personal preparedness kit includes items such as water, food, and first aid supplies. Check out the Township's website for more details on emergency preparedness.

Making a Delegation to Council

Anyone wishing to make a presentation to Council may do so by providing the Clerk with a request in writing not less than 6 days prior to the Council meeting.

The written notice must contain a clear statement of what issue or matters are to be dealt with at Council and signed by the author. Speaking time is limited to 10 minutes.

Please send written requests to Angela Chittick, Clerk, at achittick@nexicom.net or fax to 705-292-8964.

Please contact the Clerk's Department at (705) 292-9507 for further information.



Acts of Bravery

SEL Public Works employees Darryl Shear and Stephen Crough were among a number of local people who were honoured for acts of bravery by the Peterborough Lakefield Community Police in May, 2008.

In March 2008, a number of bystanders, including Donald Bennett, Carmen McStravick, Tammy Cooper, Stephen Crough, Brian Cooper and Darryl Shear assisted with rescuing a young woman from the river in Lakefield.

In September 2007 Michael McGrath, Darrell Trotter and Dane Harrison assisted in the rescue of an occupant and a dog in a vehicle that went into the river in Lakefield.

The loss of a great community leader

In 2008 we lost an integral member of our community, Robert (Bobby) Young. Mr. Young lived in Ennismore his entire life and he was a natural leader. Robert was our Reeve from 1962 to 1978 and also served as Warden for Peterborough County. He was one of the major stakeholders in planning, fundraising and constructing the Ennismore Sport's Complex. That's why it was renamed in his honour in 2007.

On behalf of the Township, we offer his family our gratitude for this dedication to our community. He will be greatly missed!

TSW Panel – release of report

It's All About the Water: Report of the Panel on the Future of the Trent-Severn Waterway is now available online at www.tswpanel.ca/english/report.asp or can be obtained by calling the Trent-Severn Waterway, Peterborough office at (705) 750-4900.

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Recreation Department: (705) 292-8774

Ennismore Community Centre: (705) 292-7034

Lakefield Smith Community Centre: (705) 652-7151

Lakefield Marshland Centre: (705) 292-7034

Bridgenorth Library: (705) 292-5065

Ennismore Library: (705) 292-8022

Lakefield Library: (705) 652-8623

Fire Department administration: (705) 292-7282

OPP Police administration: (705) 742-0401

Peterborough Lakefield Police admin: (705) 876-1122

Animal Control: (705) 745-7676

Otonabee Conservation Authority Enforcement Officer: (705) 745-7765

Emergency 911