May 2020

Animals

We have received numerous complaints that dogs are not being contained to their owner's yards. These dogs are considered



to be running at large which is prohibited as per Section 5.1 of *The Animal Control Bylaw No. 43-2017.* Reminder ALL ANIMALS must be licensed & contained within the owner's property.

Bulk Water

Please use loonies & toonies. Alternatively, you can PREARRANGE drop off of your water card in the drop box. Payment must be received in advance via e-transfer or by cheque or cash in the drop box with the card. A staff member will bring the card outside to you.

COVID-19 UPDATES

The office is still closed to the public, but staff are available by phone & email during business hours, to serve you.

Council Meeting

The next regular Council mtg on May 20th will be held electronically due to COVID. If you wish to attend please contact the office.

E-Bills & E-Receipts

Switch away from paper! Receive utility bills, tax & utility receipts by email. *NOTE: The Howler this month was attached to the emailed utility bills and paper copies are available for pick up at the post office.*

Fair Days

Volunteers are continuing to plan this event, however our ability to hold this event is subject to the orders of the Province and Chief Medical Health Officer.

Spring Clean Up Day & Town Wide Garage

The free spring clean up/garage sale day is <u>postponed</u> until further notice.

Utility & Tax Payments

While the office is closed to the public, payments can be made online. Please call your bank or the Town for assistance. Cheque payments may be dropped off in the drop box to the right of the ramp at the office.

Fireside Season

Please remember to comply with the Town's recreational fire guidelines outlined in Bylaw No. 55-2018 (can be found on the website).

Municipal Updates

Grader

The Town of Hepburn purchased a 2018 Komatsu Grader. This purchase was necessary as it was deemed too costly to repair the existing Volvo Grader.

Lagoon

The Town of Hepburn has applied for funding through the *Green Infrastructure Stream of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP)* for a proposed lagoon project. The scope of this project is set to include the addition of an aeration treatment system to the existing lagoon, repairs to the liner, upgrades to the main lift station and the force main to the lagoon. This project will result in increased capacity (up to a population of 1,000) and treatment quality, and ease of access to the main lift station equipment. If we receive this grant the municipal portion of the project will be funded through existing and future reserves.

Pest & Animal Control

Council is taking steps to address animal control within the Town of Hepburn. Recently, two kennels were purchased and staff are working to set up a municipal animal pound and hire a Animal Control Officer.

HELP WANTED

The Town of Hepburn is seeking to fill the contract position of **Animal Control Officer**. Applicants should: not be intimidated by dogs or other animals, have a valid driver's license, be able to supply their own vehicle, be available varied hours including stat holidays, evenings & weekends. For more info, including full-job posting, job description & compensation please contact the **Administrator** at 306.947.2170 or administrator@hepburn.ca

Interest Charges on Utilities

In light of the COVID-19 situation, Council has decided to waive the interest charges on UTILITIES for April 1st and May 1st.

Organic Waste Curbside Pick-Up

For those of that already have a green bin, <u>service will begin May 14, 2020</u>. Service will continue, every other Thursday until October 2020. The monthly fee of \$8 will be added to your utility bill.

If you wish to cancel please contact the office PRIOR to the first scheduled pick up.

For those that would like to sign up this year, please contact the office at info@hepburn.ca



Emergency Contact Information

Emergency Contact Request form was sent out with the March utility bills. **PLEASE take the time to fill this form out.** NOW more than ever, it is important that the municipality have at least one current method of contact, to reach you in the event of an emergency.

