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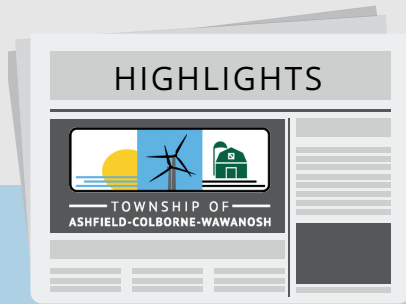
9 a.m. Council Chambers

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| OCTOBER | 7 | 21 |
| NOVEMBER | 4 | 18 |
| DECEMBER | 2 | 16 |



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Short-Term Rental Regulation Under Consideration

The Township is considering implementing regulations to better manage short-term rentals (such as Airbnb and VRBO) in the Township. These regulations aim to preserve neighbourhood character, uphold local safety standards, and ensure short-term rentals operate responsibly and in line with community expectations.

We're working to strike a balance—welcoming visitors while preserving what makes our community a great place to live.

There will be opportunities for public consultation before any regulations are implemented. Stay tuned and watch the Township website for updates and ways to have your say at acwtownship.ca - [Short-term Rentals](#)

Community, Capital and Community Partnership Grants

The Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh offers financial support to non-profit and community organizations through three grant streams:

- Community Grants – Up to \$2,500 for events, programs, and projects
- Capital Grants – Support for capital projects
- Community Partnership – For projects involving Township-owned assets or facilities

Key updates to the Community Grant Policy in 2025:

- Maximum funding per group is now **\$2,500** (down from \$5,000) to support more organizations and encourage diverse funding.
- Financial statements required with applications to show fiscal responsibility.
- New evaluation matrix created to ensure fair, consistent assessment.

Apply by **January 31st each year**. Learn more and access the application: acwtownship.ca – [Community Grant Policy](#)

Community Onsite Septic Inspection Program Update

Inspections are continuing this year in the First Stage area, including south of Mackenzie Camp Road and along the Lakeshore west of Hwy 21 to Shoreline/Nile Road, including Port Albert. Appointment letters will be mailed 6 weeks in advance, with a reminder 2 weeks prior. A property owner or representative must be onsite during inspection, and septic lids must be accessible. Be sure to complete and return the information form provided, or access it at acwseptic.ca/landowner-septic-information. If you have any questions or if your property does not have a septic system and you see a charge on your tax bill, contact the Building Department.

COUNCIL 2022-2026

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Budget 2025 & Tax Rate By-Law

Council passed the 2025 budget. The approved budget results in an 2.75% increase to the 2024 tax rate which converts to a 5% increase to the municipal levy from 2024, raising an additional \$329,207. For more information and details on the 2025 budget visit www.acwtownship.ca/government/treasury

2025 Final Taxes

DUE

SEPTEMBER 29, 2025

DUE

NOVEMBER 28, 2025

Tax payments must be received by the due date. Failure to receive a tax notice does not exempt you from the payment of taxes, nor penalty and interest.

- Methods of Payment:** Debit, Cash or Cheque at the Municipal Office, Mail, Online and Telephone Banking, Pre-Authorized Payment, E-Transfer, CIBC Goderich or After Hours Drop-Box.

 **E-Bill**

Receive your Property Tax Bills to your inbox www.acwtownship.ca/e-billing-request-form

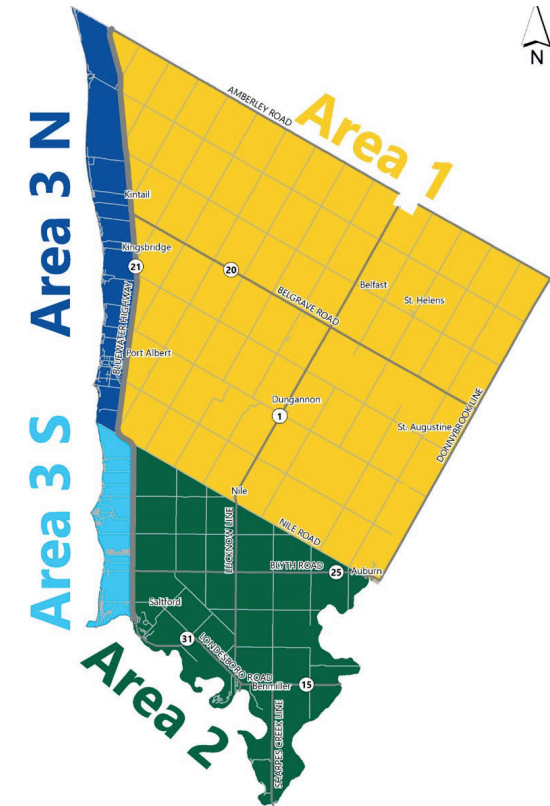
2025 Capital Project Highlights

- Nile Road Bridge Repairs \$400,000
- Resurfacing: Huron Sands Road \$255,000, Loyal Line (Blyth Rd to Nile Rd) \$650,000, Dungannon Road (Lucknow Line to Saratoga Line) \$245,000
- Westmount Line Road Realignment \$580,000
- Market and Sydenham Street Storm & Road Upgrades \$1,480,000
- Fleet: Tandem Plow \$395,000 and New Grader \$600,000
- Benmiller Playground & Accessible Pathway \$210,000
- Lucknow Recreation: Pool Filter System Replacement, Parking Lot Pavement, Ball Diamond Lights, Water Treatment System and Ice Resurfacer \$242,500

Waste & Recycling

To ensure your household garbage and recyclables are collected on your scheduled day, place them at the curb near your mailbox by **7 a.m.**

For missed pickups, call Waste Management directly at 1-888-730-3344.



Ashfield Landfill 36739 Glens Hill Road

HOURS OF OPERATION:

April – November: Monday & Saturday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

December – March: Saturday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

All household recycling must be disposed of through curbside collection, it is no longer accepted at the landfill.

A minimum charge of \$10 per load of waste will apply.



Garbage stickers are \$2.50 per tag available at:

Auburn Gas Station, Amberley General Store, Ashfield Landfill, Becker’s – Lucknow, Goderich Convenience, Lucknow Co-Op, Mobil Gas Station - Goderich, Municipal Office and Victoria Street Shell

2025 HOUSEHOLD WASTE AND RECYCLING SCHEDULE

| October 2025 | | | | | November 2025 | | | | | December 2025 | | | | | | | |
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| Monday | 13 | | | | | Monday | 10 | | | | | Monday | 8 | | | | |
| Monday | 20 | | | | | Monday | 17 | | | | | Monday | 15 | | | | |
| Monday | 27 | | | | | Monday | 24 | | | | | Monday | 22 | | | | |
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