Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Winter / Spring Newsletter 2023



ASHFIELD-COLBORNE-WAWANOSH

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Municipal Office is located at 82133 Council Line, RR 5 Goderich, ON N7A 3Y2 | Office Hours: 8:30 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

Summer Employment Opportunities

During the summer months the Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh and the Lucknow & District Recreation Department welcome 12 students for seasonal positions. The goal of these positions is to provide youth with safe, inclusive, and healthy work environments to develop skills and gain paid work experience. Job opportunities include Office Administration Student (2), Public Works Summer Student (2), Pool Supervisor, Lifeguard (5), and Summer Sports Camp Instructor (2). For more information visit: www.acwtownship.ca/government/careers.

EarlyON Play & Learn Programs

EarlyON Child and Family Centres offer free, high-quality programs for families and children from birth to 6 years old. You can learn and play with your child, meet people and get advice from early childhood professionals. EarlyON is offering weekly programs in Auburn, Dungannon and Kingsbridge. Check out the calendar of events on <u>https://www.huroncounty.ca/social-services/childrens-services/earlyon-calendar/</u>.

2023 Interim Taxes

Due March 31st & June 30th

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

Payment at Municipal Office | Cheques, Cash, and Interac Debit

Payment by Mail | By cheque, payable to the Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh.' Post-dated cheques are also accepted for your convenience.

Online and Telephone Banking | Available through most major banking institutions. Add ASHFIELD COLBORNE WAWANOSH (TWP) TAX as a payee account using your property roll-number.

Pre-Authorized Payment | Sign up to allow the municipality to automatically withdraw funds on the instalment dates. Please fill out the form on our website.

E-Transfer | Send payments to tax@acwtownship.ca

Credit Card | Available online through PaySimply.ca, transaction fee of 2.5% is applicable.

Payment at Bank | Available at CIBC Goderich branch only.

After Hours Drop-Box | Cheques can be left in the drop-box located at the Municipal Office.

Ashfield Landfill

Located at: 36739 Glens Hill Road

Hours of Operation:

April – November: Monday & Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

December – March: Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 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.

Council 2022-2026

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519-355-5669 asnobelen@acwtownship.ca

2023 Tree Program

The Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh has ordered trees from Maitland Valley Conservation Authority, for the 2023 spring season. The property owner must pick up, plant, and maintain the tree on private property. Trees are limited to (5) trees per property owner.

Types of trees available are:

- Sugar Maple 4 ft high, potted
- Native Red 4 ft high, potted
- Red Oak 4 ft high, potted
- Black Walnut- 4 ft high, potted
- Tuliptree- 4 ft high, potted

Tree sales open on Wednesday, March 1, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. You can purchase your trees by calling or visiting the Municipal Office. The quantity of each variety is limited, and are available on a first come, first serve basis.

Parks and Recreation Strategic Plan

The Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh understands the importance of parks, recreation programs, and facilities for its community members. The Township is developing a Parks and Recreation Strategic Plan to guide the provision of its recreation services over the next 10 years. This project is funded by Ontario Trillium Foundations Resilient Communities Fund.

Lifecycle of Project:





Community Engagement • Summer/Fall 2022



Phase 4: Final Report Winter/Spring 2023

The draft Parks and Recreation Strategic Plan is ready to be presented to the public. Council, staff, and members of the public are invited to the Community Presentation / Open House scheduled for March 15, 2023 at the Benmiller Community Hall located at 37015 Londesboro Rd, Goderich, ON N7A 3Y1. The Open House will commence at 6:00 p.m. with opening remarks and grant recognition at 6:30 p.m. followed by the Community Presentation of the draft Strategic Plan. Feedback is encouraged and welcomed; this will be the last opportunity for members of the public to provide their input to the consultants.

Following the Community Presentation / Open House consultants will use the feedback received to present Council with the Parks and Recreation Strategic Plan by the end of Spring 2023. This Plan will guide the planning, spending and operation of parks and recreation in Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh for the next 10-years.

Follow along with the project at: <u>https://connectedcountyofhuron.ca/acw-parks-and-recreation-plan</u>

and https://acwtownship.ca/government/projects-initiatives/parks-and-recreation-strategic-plan

Wildlife & Pest Control

The Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh does not provide a service to deal with wildlife on private property. Wildlife issues on private property are the responsibility of the landowner. Owners can call pest control or wildlife control companies to remove wildlife at their own expense.

Administration

Mark Becker, CAO cao@acwtownship.ca **Florence Witherspoon, Clerk** clerk@acwtownship.ca Kaitlin Bos, Deputy-Clerk / **Communications Co-ordinator** communications@acwtownship.ca Ellen McManus, Treasurer treasurer@acwtownship.ca **Treasury / Tax Clerk** tax@acwtownship.ca **Thomas McCarthy, Public Works Superintendent** pws@acwtownship.ca Brett Pollock, Chief Building Official cbo@acwtownship.ca Joy Lindsay, Building Inspector inspector@acwtownship.ca Sarah Louise McGregor, Building Administrative Assistant building@acwtownship.ca Cathy Gibson, Administrative Assistant admin@acwtownship.ca

Garbage & Recycling

To ensure collection of household garbage and recyclables on your scheduled day, it must be at the mailbox side of the curb by 7 a.m.

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

See the complete schedule by visiting: www.acwtownship.ca

Garbage stickers are \$2.00 per tag and can be purchased at:

Amberley General Store Ashfield Landfill Auburn Co-op Circle K – Lucknow Goderich Convenience Lucknow Co-op Mac's Convenience – Goderich McRobert Fuels Municipal Office Pioneer Gas Station Point Farms Market Port Albert General Store Victoria Street Shell

Mailing Address

It is important to keep your mailing address with the Township up to date to ensure mail such as your tax bills and notices makes it to you in a timely manner.

If you need to update your mailing address visit: www.acwtownship.ca/resid ents/property-taxes.

Council Meeting Monthly Highlights

Find the Council Meeting Monthly Highlights on our website at

www.acwtownship.ca/gover nment/agendas-minutes.

This newsletter provides a simple high-level summary of key items discussed at the meetings of Council.