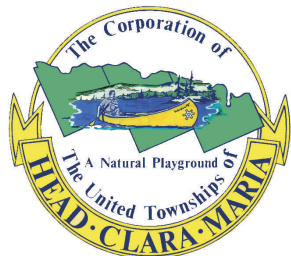


TOWNSHIP WINTER NEWSLETTER



*Townships of Head, Clara & Maria
Mackey, Stonecliffe, Bissett Creek & Deux Rivières*

Recycling and our Disposal Sites

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Townships On-line

Visit us online at www.townshipsofheadclaramaria.ca to find information about:

- our community;
- the services we offer;
- updated fee schedules;
- updated disposal site hours; recycling and
- much more.

We would like to congratulate our residents for their work towards recycling and as a result extending the life of our landfill sites. The participation to date has been good. It can however be great.

As much as we have had a fair response, Council feels that the participation rate could increase. We have been noticing materials that are being thrown into our landfill that could be recycled. To assist ratepayers in determining whether material can be recycled or not, we are attempting to provide a more comprehensive list of accepted materials. Our disposal site attendant will also

begin to monitor what is being dumped.

One category of items that seem to be discarded at a high rate are small appliances and electronics. Computers, televisions, fans, toasters, microwaves, radios any number of similar items are recyclable. Once discarded in our landfill they leach potentially harmful byproducts. Please protect the life of our sites, our wildlife, flora, fauna and residents by diverting these products. We are looking to provide a depot at our disposal sites for the collection of recyclables, but until that be-

comes a reality, please place materials at the end of your driveway and have our contractor pick them up. A further reminder, we will be having a spring collection for large recyclables in April or May. As in the past, if you have questions about a specific item, please call the contractors at 613-586-1994.

Also, don't forget that this information, along with a copy of this newsletter will be posted on our webpage at www.townshipsofheadclaramaria.ca. Check there for additional information and updates.

Holiday Hours and Schedules

Disposal Sites & Office

will be Closed

Dec. 24, 25, 26 & Jan. 1

HOLIDAY GARBAGE COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Bissett & Deux Rivières:

- Thursday, December 27 &
- Wednesday, January 2

Mackey & Stonecliffe:

- Friday, December 28

Normal Collection & Site Hours will resume January 3rd

HOLIDAY RECYCLING COLLECTION SCHEDULE

December dates are 3, 17 & 31,

January 14 & 28 & every 2nd Monday after

MEETINGS

Dec. 7—Council, Dec. 14—Council

Jan. 11—Committee, Jan. 18—Council

All Meetings to be held at 2:00 in Council Chambers, Stonecliffe

Season's Greetings from the Staff and Council of the United Townships of

Head, Clara & Maria





Watch for the owl—he'll show you where to find financial \$\$\$\$ information. \$\$\$\$



Taxes Taxes Taxes

Reminder—your final installment of taxes were due Wednesday, October 31, 2007. Next installment due—likely March or April 2008.

Recycling Stats

Recycling seems to be well received within the Townships but participation could improve. We still have some holdouts. Perhaps you could recycle the things that take little effort? Perhaps you could add something that you are currently not recycling?

Recent Stats

November 5—1206 lbs

November 19—1657 lbs

Year to date since commencement in February 12 and including November:

28,277 lbs of material diverted from out landfill. Good job however....

We can do better!!!!

Emergency Management and Call for Volunteers (Updated version of a previous article)

We were somewhat disappointed by the lack of response from the community to the request to register to be able to assist your neighbours in the event of an emergency. We would like to thank those who took the time to respond and would further like to provide an opportunity for those who simply didn't get around to responding, for whatever reason.

We at the Township Office are attempting to devise an effective system to deal with emergencies. After our last emergency management meeting, it has been determined that we will break the Townships into 14 distinct areas or zones for emergency management purposes. What we require now are willing individuals to perform assessments in these areas following severe weather or other types of emergencies and report back to the Township Office.

If this is something that you would be willing to do for your neighbours and community, please contact any Council member or the Township Office. The 14 Zones for Emergency Management Assessment purposes are defined as:

1. Deux Rivieres—Brent Road to Purespring Lane and along Highway 17
2. Deux Rivieres—Dunlop Crescent and Highway 17 east to Rock Cut Trail
3. Bissett Creek—Mclsaac Drive and Trapper's Road
4. Stonecliffe—Highway 17—Grant's Creek hill to Vickery's
5. Highway 17—Vickery's to Stonecliffe Graveyard, Logger's Road, Boat Launch Road
6. Highway 17—Graveyard to Driftwood Park
7. Pine Valley Road
8. Mackey—Jennings Road and Highway 17 to Lakeview Trailer Park
9. Mackey Creek Road to Snowplow Turnaround
10. Highway 17—Boat Launch to Cell phone tower
11. Donnelly and Boudreau Roads
12. Francoeur and Ashport Roads
13. Jobidon Road and Mossbank Trail
14. Highway 17—from Cell tower east and Harvey Creek Road

Any private roads that are accessed from any of the above will be included in that area. For example—all lanes off of Pine Valley Road would be included in Zone 7.

By having 14 different individuals responsible for assessing each area and reporting back to the Township Office we will save precious travel time and may save lives and property.

We are currently working out details as they relate to registering volunteers to ensure that they are adequately protected by WSIB and are accounted for. We are developing a public training/information session for interested individuals and we are working on a system of providing identification to protect ratepayers and the volunteers.

We currently have volunteers for zones 3, 5, 7, 8 and 9. If you live in any of the other zones, or would like to assist in any zone, please let us know. Keep in mind that depending on the time of year and the type of storm or emergency event, your zone may need to be assessed on foot. This system will only work with your help.

We would ideally like to have backup volunteers for each area as well, so please call if you are interested.

Township Office—613-586-2526

What Can Go in the Recycling Bag?

PLASTIC BAGS - All plastic bags except chip and cereal bags.

ALUMINUM FOIL/PLATES

METAL and ALUMINUM CANS - SOUP, POP, BEER, JUICE, etc.... cleaned.

CARDBOARD - All types of boxes and boxboard broken down and flattened.

MILK AND JUICE BOXES/CARTONS - please rinse thoroughly.

ALL PLASTIC CONTAINERS - Very important to rinse the food containers. -

Ketchup/mustard, margarine/yogurt tubs must be clean.

PLASTIC BOTTLES - All plastic water, pop, liquor and juice bottles.

STYROFOAM - Styrofoam.

PAPER PRODUCTS - Newspaper, Egg Cartons, Magazines, Catalogues, Telephone Books, Office Paper, Junk Mail, Envelopes

BROWN PAPER - potato bags, flour bags, sugar bags

GLASS CONTAINERS, BOTTLES, JARS - All colours of glass and glass containers. PLEASE rinse all food and beverage containers. (No dishes)

Please Put Any Broken Glass in a Separate, Sealed Container to Prevent Injuries.

SMALL APPLIANCES - We will collect small appliances, computers and other electronics (toasters, VCRs, DVDs, fans, microwaves etc.)

AT THE DISPOSAL SITE

Set aside plastics and glass, metals, appliances and electronics, refrigerators, freezers, untreated wood, tires and any other material as directed by the site attendant.

WINTER DISPOSAL SITE HOURS

Beginning September 16th site hours will change.

Bissett Creek—will be open daily from 1:30–2:30 p.m. and Stonecliffe from 3:00–4:00 p.m. for the winter.

DEUX RIVIERES DISPOSAL SITE CLOSURE

Effective September 30, 2007, the Deux Rivieres Disposal Site will be closed to all further material. Due to volume limits and Ministry of Environment regulations we have had to close this site. Further, we will no longer be accepting waste at the gate as we are not authorized as a transfer site. Please use our other sites and our collection service

DO YOUR PART

Recycle, increase the life of our existing landfill sites. It doesn't take a lot of extra effort, but it can make a huge difference. We do not know what the options will be for waste disposal in the future. Do what you can today to slow the filling of our remaining sites and protect our municipality.

Deux Rivieres Cemetery Closure

The cemetery, locally known as the "Protestant" Cemetery, located on Ferndale Lane in Deux Rivieres more specifically described as Part 1 on Reference Plan 49R-15705 deposited with the Land Titles Division of Renfrew is now owned by the municipality.

In 2006, a transfer of ownership of the "abandoned" cemetery from private landowners to the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria occurred. Since that time, the cemetery has been deemed "inactive" and is in effect closed to further interments. The municipi-

pality does not wish to, nor has the capacity to operate the cemetery as an active cemetery. We have received from the Ministry of Government Services a license to own an "inactive, abandoned" cemetery. We do not have a license to operate this site.

We are taking all reasonable steps to inform the public that this cemetery is closed to any further interments. The land that this cemetery is on was never officially designated a cemetery under *The Cemeteries Act*, but simply private land that had been used by different individuals of various denominations for burial

purposes. Section 18 of *The Cemeteries Act* states that no one other than the registered owner may sell lots for burial. We have been assured by the previous owner that there are no unexercised interment rights.

We have notified all area Churches and Funeral Homes of the status of this cemetery and request that you assist us in informing acquaintances, perhaps extended members of family, past residents of the area... of the closure of this site. Should you require any further information, please contact the municipal office in Stonecliffe.





TOWNSHIPS OF HEAD CLARA &
MARIA

*Should you require information?
Have a question? Concern?
Complaint? Contact us ...*

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Library News

The library is actively participating in the inter-library loan program to locate specific titles for individuals. If you have a book you would like, but we do not have it—contact Gayle Watters our librarian, drop in to the library or email your request to:

hcmlibra@xplornet.com.

We will do our best to locate a copy for you.

Seniors

Monthly luncheons (minimal fee of \$5.50) continue thanks to the North Renfrew Long-Term Care Centre—for more information call the centre at 613-584-1900

Volunteer Fire Service

The municipal fire service is currently under review. We are researching options for meeting the legislated fire needs of the municipality in an efficient and cost effective manner.

We are having challenges recruiting volunteers and are beginning to question the future of the service. Would you like to see this service continue? Are you interested in volunteering? Are you interested in what the cost of operating the service is? Are you wondering what our fire service is mandated to do? Would you like to know what other options for protection we have? Do you have questions, comments or concerns that you would like to voice?

If so, please plan to attend a public forum to discuss the future of our volunteer fire service to be held

mid to late February.

Representatives from the Ministry of Natural Resources and the Office of the Fire Marshall will be in attendance to provide information and answer any questions.

This is your opportunity to speak up and be heard. What do you want from our fire service? Is the municipality able to provide it? At what cost?

We are planning to hold this town hall style meeting on a Saturday in February. Additional details will follow once confirmed.

Please plan to attend!

This is your volunteer fire service, make sure that you are being represented.

Bits and Pieces!

In October, we received a phone call from the municipal office in Papineau/Cameron. Apparently it has been observed that residents of our municipality have been dumping refuse into the waste disposal bins in Papineau/Cameron. They have requested that we remind our residents that it is illegal to deposit waste from one municipality into the disposal sites of another. The Ministry of the Environment and the Ontario Provincial Police can both be called in to assist in enforcing this law.

We can not accept refuse from other municipalities, we can not deposit into another municipality.

The Staff/Council of Papineau /Cam-

eron has identified the individuals dumping materials and would like for us to inform the public that they will continue to monitor their sites (including dumpsters) and will press charges.

Those of you who are guilty of these offences know who you are, as do we. Please stop this practise and make use of the sites within our own municipality. Do your part in maintaining a positive relationship with our municipal neighbours.

I was asked to ensure that all of our ratepayers were fully aware that this is a warning, the Township of Papineau/Cameron is willing to press charges and will do so if this practise is observed again.