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**Change to Schedule for
the 2018 Regular
Meetings of Council :**

Effective immediately, the Regular Meetings of Council will be held every third Wednesday, as follows: March 21, April 11, May 2 and May 23. This practice will be reassessed at the May 23rd Meeting. Check the events calendar on the Municipal Website for meeting dates. Please notify the Clerk/Administrator by the Friday preceding the Council Meeting should you wish to make a presentation and/or submission to Council.

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8:30a.m. to 4:30p.m.



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Spring 2018 Newsletter**

TREASURY DEPT. NEWS:



**TAX BILL MAILING
PROCESS**

The Municipality mails tax notices to the most recent address on the assessment roll and strives to ensure that they are received in a time frame that allows for payment by the due dates. It is the responsibility of the taxpayer to remit payment in a timely manner, regardless of receipt of the tax notice. If your mailing address has changed please provide written notification to the Municipal Office **IMMEDIATELY**. "Change of Address" Forms are available at the Municipal Office or on the Treasury Dept. webpage at huronshores.ca. The installment due dates for the Interim Tax Bill are **March 29 and May 31/18** (the last business day of each month). If you do not receive your bill, contact the Municipal Office.

PROPERTY TAX PAYMENT

**OPTIONS:
"NEW"**

**Pre-Authorized
Debit Plan (PAD):**
Visit huronshores.ca for the application and information about the program.



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**BOLTON RIVER BRIDGE
CLOSURE:**

Structural failure has occurred to the Bolton River Bridge and is closed until further notice.

ROAD CONDITIONS:

Please drive with caution, as frost heaves are now appearing on the Municipal Roads.

**NUISANCE BEAVER :
Property Owner Responsibilities:**

The Municipality respectfully requests that all landowners monitor, maintain and/or remove beaver and/or dams on their properties to keep water to levels that will not create flooding hazards and/or dangerous erosion to public roadways. In the interest of keeping our community a safe one, we appreciate and thank everyone for co-operating in this matter.



MAKING ONTARIO ACCESSIBLE Please visit huronshores.ca to read the Municipality's Multi-Year Accessibility Plan and Policies 2014-2019. We welcome your input. Also, visit the government site: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/accessibility-laws> to learn more about the Provincial requirements for businesses, organizations and communities.



The Municipality is seeking volunteers for the following:

- ⇒ Iron Bridge Historical Museum Committee
 - ⇒ Sowerby Heritage Centre Committee
 - ⇒ Huron Shores Ward 4 Recreation Committee
- Volunteerism drives our community; we **thank all** those presently serving for their time and dedication and encourage anyone interested in becoming a volunteer to contact the Municipal Office for further details.

EP WEEK - May 6—12, 2018

Emergency Preparedness Week (EP Week) is an annual event that takes place each year during the first full week of May. This national event is coordinated by Public Safety Canada, in close collaboration with the provinces and territories and partners.

For more information, please contact info@GetPrepared.ca or call 1-800-830-3118.

FIRE DEPT. NEWS:

Home Inspections: If you would like to have a home inspection conducted to review your CO Alarms, Smoke Alarms and Fire Escape Plan, please contact Fire Prevention Officer Henk Van Delft either by email to henk@huronshores.ca or by calling the Municipal Office at 705-843-2033 to arrange an appointment.

Remember: It's the law in Ontario to install carbon monoxide (CO) alarms adjacent to each sleeping area in your home if you have a fuel-burning appliance or an attached garage. Smoke, CO alarms, and combination units are available for purchase at the Municipal Office.

Open Air Burning Permits: The fee for a year-round Open Air Burning Permit is \$5.00 and the permittee **must call the Municipal Office during regular office hours to advise of his/her intention to burn.** Please visit the Fire Dept. page on huronshores.ca for details.



COMING EVENTS

- Pancake Breakfast:** March 25, Sowerby Hall, 1410 Basswood Lake Rd.
- ATV Fun Run:** May 26, Little Rapids Gazebo, 34 Little Rapids Rd.
- Farmers' Markets:** Saturdays, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., June-Mid-October, at the 12-Sided Barn, 1410 Basswood Lake Rd., Sowerby; and at Iron Bridge Museum, 1 James Street
- Iron Bridge Music Fest:** May 26, Iron Bridge Recreation Centre.
- Annual Country Fair & Silent Auction:** August 6, Heritage Park Museum, 2 Little Rapids Rd.
- Iron Bridge Family Ball Tourny:** August 10-12, Lions Club Ball Park.
- Iron Bridge Fall Fair & Parade:** Sept. 1, Iron Bridge Rec Centre.

Spring Cleaning

Please consider the following this spring:

The Garage Sales By-law: You are permitted **only three (3) garage sales per year** on any premises. If you are planning a garage sale, please contact the Municipal Office for further details with respect to permitted signage, etc.

911 Numbering/Civic Addressing: Maintenance of 911 signs are the responsibility of property owners. Please check the condition of your 911 sign as part of your spring yard cleanup.

The Clean Yard By-law: Please ensure your property meets the requirements of the Clean Yard By-law.

Family Pets: Dog tags are required annually, expiring December 31 of the year issued. Tags are \$5.00, or \$3.00 if spayed/neutered. Proof of rabies vaccination is required. To report a dog running at large, please contact the Municipal Office. Pets defined as **Dangerous Dogs** must be registered at the Municipal Office.



Huron Shores Ward 4 Recreation Centre: Watch huronshores.ca for the date of the Grand Opening to celebrate our **NEW LOOK!** Special thanks to the Canada 150 Funding Program. Consider purchasing a \$10/month single OR \$15/month family membership to the Ward 4 Gym, located at 23802 Hwy. 17, (1/2 km east of the intersection with Dean Lake Rd.) Please contact Bonnie at (705) 843-2168 for details.

Waste Site & Recycling News



Municipal Waste Sites and Recycling Bins may **ONLY** be accessed during regular operating hours. As previously mentioned, the Waste Site Identification Cards distribution has been delayed but, we hope to complete implementation in the coming year. Council also plans to implement a bag limit. These measures are being undertaken to maximize the life of our landfills. Continue to watch huronshores.ca for more information as it becomes available.

WASTE DISPOSAL SITE HOURS

Winter – Oct. 1 to March 31	Summer – Apr. 1 to Sept. 30
Mon. & Wed. 2:00-6:00 p.m.	Mon. & Wed. 4:00-8:00 p.m.
Sat. 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.	Sat. 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Notice: All Waste Disposal Sites in the Municipality of Huron Shores are **CLOSED** on Statutory and Civic Holidays, Family Day, Easter Monday and Remembrance Day.

WASTE DISPOSAL & RECYCLING BIN LOCATIONS:

Ward 1: Waste Site, 200 Hwy. 129 Ward 3: Waste Site, 41 Red Rock Rd.,
 Ward 2: Waste Site, 473 Cullis Rd. Ward 4: Waste Site, 1035 Dean Lake Rd.

There are **tipping fees** for the dumping of **mixed building debris** at all Municipal Waste Disposal Sites. Please contact the Municipal Office prior to depositing these items at the Sites. Also, all **refrigeration appliances** (freezers, fridges, dehumidifiers, etc.) must have the Freon removed and be tagged accordingly by a licensed technician prior to drop-off at the Waste Disposal Site. **Propane tanks/cylinders are not accepted.**

TIRE COLLECTION & E-WASTE DISPOSAL: Tires and Electronic Waste (E-Waste) may be brought to the Wards 1 and 3 Waste Sites **at no charge**. E-Waste items are TV's, computer components, stereo equipment, etc.



HOUSEHOLD BATTERY RECYCLING: Deposit your household batteries, single use, cell phone and computer batteries at the following locations: All Municipal Waste Sites; the General Store & Municipal Garage in Little Rapids; the Municipal Office & Village General Store in Iron Bridge.



HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL: Residents and Ratepayers of Huron Shores may drop off Household Hazardous Waste at the **Sault Ste. Marie Household Hazardous Waste Depot** free of charge. The Depot is located at the City Landfill, 402 Fifth Line East. The Hazardous Waste Depot Hours of Operation for the period May 1–October 27 are: Tuesday to Saturday, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. **Fluorescent lights** are also accepted for disposal at the Depot.

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MUNICIPAL GRANTS

Roads Donation Program: This Program provides a grant to a Committee of property owners who utilize private or municipally unmaintained roads to access their properties in order to assist with the cost of improvements to the road (s). **Application Deadline is May 31/18.** Details and application form are available on huronshores.ca.

Community Event Investment Fund (CEIF): This is an initiative of the Municipality and is administered through the Economic Development Advisory Committee (EDAC), as a fund that is dedicated to assist not-for-profit organizations start up a new event that could become an annual event (up to a maximum grant of \$1,000.00). **Applications must be submitted to the Municipal Office at least four (4) months prior to the event.** Application and details are available at huronshores.ca.



E-Payments: On-line property tax payment is available at huronshores.ca. To remit payments via this secure service, simply click on the bright red button, login, and set up your account by following the step-by-step instructions. When paying please include your 19-digit roll number without any dashes (e.g. 5724000001135790000). **Pay each tax bill individually.** Allow two (2) business days to receive your account confirmation. **NOTE:** a fee will be charged by the provider for this service.

Canadian Financial Institution: Payment may be remitted via your local financial institution branch, by telephone or on-line. **NOTE:** When paying taxes on line or by telephone, if you have more than one tax bill, please make sure that the correct amounts are applied to the respective tax bills.

In Person: Cash or cheques, in Canadian funds only, are accepted at the Municipal Office. **Interac/Debit Card service is not available.**

TAX RECEIPTS: Due to Canada Post rate increases, receipts will only be mailed if the intact installment page (not just the installment slip) is included with your payment, if you have an outstanding balance, or, if specifically requested.

REQUESTS FOR RECONSIDERATION: If you have concerns regarding the assessed value of your property you may contact the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) to file a **Request for Reconsideration (RfR)**. The deadline for submitting an RfR will be printed on your Property Assessment Notice. RfR Forms are available at the Municipal Office or at mpac.ca.