



# Municipality of Huron Shores

## Fall 2021 Newsletter



**Storied Past,  
Promising Future!**

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### Members of Council Current Term

- Mayor:** Georges Bilodeau
- Ward 1:** Blair MacKinnon  
Darlene Walsh
- Ward 2:** Nancy Jones-Scissons  
Debbie Kirby
- Ward 3:** Jane Armstrong  
Dale Wedgwood
- Ward 4:** Gord Campbell  
Jock Pirrie

**By-law #21-11 — Procedure By-law** was adopted at the Regular Meeting of Council on May 12, 2021, permitting Regular Meetings of Council to be held every second Wednesday of the month (excluding June, July, August, and December). Special Meetings of Council may be called to be held on any Wednesday of the month. All regular meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. and can currently be accessed via Zoom. Agendas are posted on the Municipal Website at the Municipal Office, as they become available.

### CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR'S

#### HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:

The Municipal Office will be closed from **Noon, Friday Dec. 24/21 to Monday Jan. 2/22 inclusive**. The office will reopen at **8:30 a.m., Tuesday Jan. 3/22**.



Have you experienced flooding in and/or near your property? Is your property in a designated Flood Prone Area? The Municipality will be undertaking a high-level Flood Hazard and Risk Assessment to address the flood risks in areas that are most flood vulnerable.

This project study area will include all areas identified as Environmental Protection Area (Flood Prone Area) in the Huron Shores Official Plan Land Use Schedules, as well as the Thessalon River, Bolton River, Mississagi River, Potomac River, Harris Creek, and Pickerel Creek.

The project will determine the most at-risk areas of concern and identify locations that will likely be affected by flooding.

At least two (2) **Public Education Sessions** will be held to provide project information and an opportunity for the public to contribute knowledge of local conditions. Contact the Municipal website for more information as it becomes available, or email [email@huronshores.ca](mailto:email@huronshores.ca) describing any flooding or flood activity you've witnessed on or near your property.

## Waste Site & Recycling News:

### OUR WASTE SITE PUNCH CARD SYSTEM WILL COMMENCE JANUARY 1, 2022—PENDING COVID RESTRICTIONS.

Additional punch cards can be purchased at the Municipal Office

#### **REMEMBER:**

**Upon entering the Waste Sites, ALWAYS report to the Caretaker and present Waste Site Identification Card.**

The Caretakers are required to track quantities of household waste and debris entering the site. You must report to them before depositing anything into the Site.

It is **illegal to scavenge** and can be very unsafe. Please do not attempt to retrieve any debris from the Waste Sites.

### **ELECTRONIC WASTE IS NOW BEING ACCEPTED AT WARD 1 & WARD 3 WASTE SITES.**



The **Official Plan** is the Municipality's key land use document. It describes what kind of community we want to become in the future: sets goals, objectives, and policies which guide our land use planning decisions. The Municipality is currently undertaking an **Official Plan Update**, to help support new strategic goals and community priorities with respect to growth and development in the Municipality. There are many public consultation opportunities during the review process to allow for comments from stakeholders, agencies and the general public, including Open Houses, Statutory Public Meetings and Council Meetings. **We encourage you to get involved!** Contact the Municipality for more information, or visit our Municipal Website to stay up-to-date on the Official Plan Review process.



### **FIRE PREVENTION WEEK**

**October 3-9, 2021**

**Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety**



- When a smoke alarm or carbon monoxide (CO) alarm sounds, respond immediately by exiting the home as quickly as possible.
- If your alarm begins to chirp, it may mean that the batteries are running low and need to be replaced. If the alarm continues to chirp after the batteries are replaced, or the alarm is more than 10 years old, it is time to replace the alarm.
- Test all smoke and CO alarms monthly. Press the test button to make sure the alarm is working.
- If there is someone in your household who is deaf or hard of hearing, install bed shaker and strobe light alarms that will alert that person to fire.
- Know the difference between the sound of a smoke alarm and a carbon monoxide alarm – three beeps for smoke alarms; four beeps for carbon monoxide alarms.

**Municipality of Huron Shores**

**2020 Municipal Performance Measurement Program Report**

**Local Government Services**

**Transportation Services**

<b>Municipal Statistics (Note 1)</b>			
<u>Year</u>	<u>Households</u>	<u>Population</u>	<u>Assessment</u>
2018	1,253	1,664	228,305,588
2019	1,253	1,664	239,142,155
2020	1,253	1,664	250,944,001

<b>Winter Operating Costs</b>
<u>Operating Costs for Winter Maintenance of Roadways</u> Total Lane Kilometers Maintained in Winter
Year 2018: \$108,313 / 375 = \$288.84 per lane km (\$631.78 per km) Year 2019: \$139,161 / 375 = \$371.10 per lane km (\$742.20 per km) Year 2020: \$149,275 / 375 = \$398.07 per lane km (\$796.14 per km)
<i>* Objective: Efficient winter operations</i>

<b>Protection Services</b>
<b>Police Services Operating Costs</b>
<u>Operating Costs for Police Services</u> Total Population
Year 2018: \$600,596 / 1,664 = \$360.94 Average per Person Year 2019: \$556,559 / 1,664 = \$334.47 Average per Person Year 2020: \$590,122 / 1,664 = \$354.64 Average per Person
<i>* Objective: Efficient municipal police services</i>

<b>Paved Roads Operating Costs</b>
<u>Operating Costs for Paved Roads</u> Total Paved Lane Kilometers
Year 2018: \$312,393 / 172 = \$1,816.24 per lane km (\$3,725.46 per km) Year 2019: \$355,465 / 167 = \$2,128.53 per lane km (\$4,257.06 per km) Year 2020: \$400,674 / 172 = \$2,329.50 per lane km (\$4,659.00 per km)
<i>* Objective: Efficient maintenance of paved roads</i>

<b>Fire Services Operating Costs</b>
<u>Operating Costs for Fire Services</u> Total Assessment / 1,000
2018: \$463,636 / (228,305,588 / 1,000) = \$2.03 Avg. per 1,000 of Assessment 2019: \$460,628 / (239,142,155 / 1,000) = \$1.93 Avg. per 1,000 of Assessment 2020: \$482,845 / (250,944,001 / 1,000) = \$1.92 Avg. per 1,000 of Assessment
<i>* Objective: Efficient municipal fire services</i>

<b>Unpaved Roads Operating Costs</b>
<u>Operating Costs for Unpaved Roads</u> Total Unpaved Lane Kilometers
Year 2018: \$1,054,642 / 301 = \$3,503.79 per lane km (\$7,369.78 per km) Year 2019: \$1,253,571 / 306 = \$4,096.64 per lane km (\$8,193.28 per km) Year 2020: \$1,332,092 / 301 = \$4,425.55 per lane km (\$8,851.10 per km)
<i>* Objective: Efficient maintenance of unpaved roads</i>

**Parks & Recreation Services**

**Environmental Services**

<b>Parks Operating Costs</b>
<u>Operating Costs for Parks Services</u> Total Population
Year 2018: \$28,332 / 1,664 = \$17.03 Average per Person Year 2019: \$31,323 / 1,664 = \$18.82 Average per Person Year 2020: \$47,618 / 1,664 = \$28.62 Average per Person

<b>Solid Waste Diversion Operating Costs (Recycling)</b>
<u>Operating Costs for Solid Waste Diversion</u> Total Households
Year 2018: \$70,242 / 1,253 = \$56.06 Average per Household Year 2019: \$63,284 / 1,253 = \$50.51 Average per Household Year 2020: \$88,477 / 1,253 = \$70.61 Average per Household

<b>Recreation Programs Operating Costs</b>
<u>Operating Costs for Recreation Programs</u> Total Population
Year 2018: \$55,713 / 1,664 = \$33.48 Average per Person Year 2019: \$47,641 / 1,664 = \$28.63 Average per Person Year 2020: \$10,747 / 1,664 = \$6.46 Average per Person

<b>Solid Waste Disposal Operating Costs - Four Disposal Sites</b>
<u>Operating Costs for Solid Waste Disposal</u> Total Households
Year 2018: \$198,486 / 1,253 = \$158.41 Average per Household Year 2019: \$254,589 / 1,253 = \$203.18 Average per Household Year 2020: \$228,047 / 1,253 = \$182.00 Average per Household

**Library Services**

<b>Library Services Operating Costs</b>
<u>Operating Costs for Library Services</u> Total Population
Year 2018: \$69,935 / 1,664 = \$42.03 Average per Person Year 2019: \$54,297 / 1,664 = \$32.63 Average per Person Year 2020: \$57,022 / 1,664 = \$32.27 Average per Person

**Note 1:** Statistics Canada 2016 census is the source of data.

**Treasury Department News**

The same information as above will be presented in pie chart format in the electronic newsletter on the Municipal website.

Help the Municipality contain administrative costs - sign up for **e-Billing**.

**e-Billing:** Receive your property tax bill online. Register on the Municipal website. Simply click on the **BLUE BUTTON** and follow the instructions to register. You will need your 19 digit roll number: **5724 000 XXX XXXX 0000**. Further, each owner will have a unique, nine digit, personal identification number (pin): **XXXXX-XXXX** which can be found in the upper right hand side of your tax bill. One or all owners may register.

**Tax Bill Mailing Process:** All tax notices are mailed to the primary owner at the most recent address on the assessment roll. 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 online under the Forms/Permits tab.

**Due Dates:** 2021 Final Tax Bill installments are due September 30, 2021 and November 30, 2021.

**COVID-19 Relief:** Interest and penalties were waived from April 1, 2021 through May 31, 2021 on current assessments only. That relief has ended.

**Property Tax Payment Options:** Visit the Municipal website under Government/Services/Treasury/Tax Department

**2021 Financial Statements:** Available for viewing online.

**Residential Tax Rate Increase:** The 2021 Budget has resulted in a 1.949% increase to the overall residential tax rate.

**For further information, please visit the Municipal website [huronshores.ca](http://huronshores.ca) or contact the Municipal Office at 705-843-2033.**