

PERTH SOUTH



Perth South Newsletter

January 2021

Setting Priorities - BUDGET 2021

The municipal budget is a key policy and planning document that outlines our township's priorities for services, programs and infrastructure. Setting the budget is a balancing act between often competing priorities – providing the high level of services residents deserve versus what we can afford.

Municipal staff put forward a draft budget for comment. There are two parts – the operations budget that covers the day-to-day services, and the capital budget that covers large infrastructure and other long-term projects. The Mayor and Council, with input from Perth South residents and businesses, make choices about what municipal services, programs and infrastructure projects should be included in the budget.

There are still opportunities for Perth South residents to participate in the 2021 budget process by visiting the township's engagement platform Get Involved Perth South at getinvolvedperthsouth.ca where comments and ideas can be submitted and a survey can be completed. In addition, residents are encouraged to participate virtually in the public budget meeting scheduled for February 4, 2021 at 7:00 pm. Please visit the Township's website for further information.

Enhancing Public Health and Workplace Safety in the Provincewide Shutdown

A combination of measures has been brought forward by the Province of Ontario, and took effect Thursday January 14, 2021, including a provincial declaration of emergency under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act.

The enhanced public health and workplace safety measures are in effect for **all of Ontario** and are anticipated to be in place until at least Thursday February 11, 2021.

Please note that although the municipal office has been closed to the public since December 26, 2020 staff are still working regular office hours and can be reached by phone or email and we will set up an appointment if required. The landfill will also be closed during the shutdown. Check out www.perthsouth.ca/covid19updates for more information about Township services.

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519-271-0619 or toll free 1-866-771-0619

Property Tax Due Dates:

February 26, 2021 and May 31, 2021

2021 St. Pauls Athletic Association Soccer Season

Due to the current situation with the COVID-19 pandemic a final decision has not been made on this year's soccer season. The Township will post updates on the Township website at www.perthsouth.ca/soccer/ as well as the Township Facebook page when more information becomes available.

REPORT IT

You can report feedback and problems online 24 hours a day 7 days a week at your convenience.

Visit www.perthsouth.ca to fill out the Report It form. Reports are sent directly to staff and, if desired, a response from staff can be requested.

Do You Have a New Dog?

Dog tags are required for all dogs. Call our office at 519-271-0619 to register your dog. Having a dog tag will assist in finding your dog if it gets lost.

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Waste and Recycling Calendar is back....and We've Gone Green

In keeping with the Ontario government's **Strategy for a Waste-Free Ontario: Building the Circular Economy**, the Township is regularly looking for ways to reduce waste going to our landfill while keeping our ratepayers informed. The new calendar contains the same valuable information but is no longer a magnet and is now fully recyclable. The Township takes its role as a steward of the municipal resources very seriously and we hope that you like the new calendar format.

Information about the collection schedule is also provided through the Township website www.perthsouth.ca/garbagerecyclingwaste as well as www.bra.org or you can download the BRA app to your phone.

Stay Connected and Have Your Say—Register to Participate on Get Involved Perth South

Municipal engagement brings people together for conversations to address issues that impact them. It involves people in the decision making process, encourages two-way dialogue with the Township and helps us make decisions that are more informed and reflective of our citizen's concerns and values.

Want to stay connected with the community you live in and have a say in the decisions that effect your community? Get Involved Perth South is the Township's engagement platform and can be found at www.getinvolvedperthsouth.ca. By registering on this site you will be made aware of topics being discussed by Perth South Council and staff. As new discussion items are posted you will be notified by e-mail and can choose to provide comments and be a part of the discussion on topics that impact you as a citizen.

SIGN UP FOR PRE-AUTHORIZED PAYMENTS—No Late Fees! - No Postage! - No Worries!

Sign up for monthly or tax due date payments for tax and water billings. For more information visit www.perthsouth.ca or call 519-271-0619.