

JOHNSON TOWNSHIP RECREATION NEWS

SUMMER DAY CAMP COME&TRY! - Recreation is planning a series of weekly Summer Day Camp programs for children ages 6 to 12, **starting on Tuesday, July 21, 10am**. We are hoping to run programs 3-days/week and 2 hours/day (tentatively 10 am to noon) but, due to restrictions and regulations surrounding Covid, the first week will be a Come & Try session to see if there is enough interest and whether a program like this can work. The first week will be a **Soccer Drills and Skills program**. Protocols for a safe environment will include the following:

- Hand sanitizing station—children will be asked to sanitize hands before program begins and after rest breaks
- Children will be asked to bring their own water and snacks and sharing will not be allowed.
- Physical distancing will be followed as much as possible and no physical contact will be allowed

- Use of hands on soccer balls and equipment will be discouraged.—skills and drills will focus on foot-work, passing, and learning positional play
- **Washrooms will only be available in an emergency.** Parents should ensure that children have used the bathroom before they come to the program.

If you are interested in this program, please contact Pat ASAP at 782 6601 x1205 or pogorman@johnsontownship.ca

SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYEES—The Township of Johnson welcomes **Paige Koivisto and Sydney Kent** to the team. Paige and Sydney will assist in the planning and implementation of Summer Day camps, Fire Dep't. tasks, and other township initiatives as well as grounds and facility maintenance and upgrade. Due to Covid guidelines, these are part-time positions that will extend into the fall.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT NEWS

Road Closures - Government Rd. will be closed July 27 to July 30 from Margaret St. to Puddingstone for culvert replacement. Public Works hopes to have work completed by the time the Landfill Site is open on Wednesday, but if, due to unforeseen circumstances, work is not completed, access to the Landfill site will be open from the East (Desbarats direction).

Ditching—Public Works is currently ditching on various roads around the township—please drive slowly and safely around the ditching equipment and township vehicles. If you are interested in having fill delivered to your property, please contact the Public Works office at 705 782 6601 x1206 and leave a message with your address and location. Access and proximity to the ditching location will determine delivery suitability.

FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS - Cottage Fire Safety Tips

Install smoke alarms on every storey and outside all sleeping areas. It's the law for Ontario homes, cottages, cabins and seasonal homes to have working smoke alarms on every storey and outside sleeping areas.

- Install and ensure carbon monoxide alarms are working if your cottage has fuel-burning appliances.
- Develop and practice a home fire escape plan to ensure everyone knows what to do if the smoke alarm sounds.
- Clean barbecues before using them. Keep an eye on lit barbecues Fires can happen when barbecues are left unattended.
- Remember to bring a flashlight with extra batteries.

- Check heating appliances and chimneys before using them.
- There is no daytime burning allowed in Johnson Township and EVERYONE needs a permit to have a fire. NO fires are allowed during a fire ban.
- If you must smoke, do so outside. Keep a large can with water nearby so cigarette butts can be safely discarded. If you drink, do so responsibly. Tobacco use and excessive alcohol consumption are contributing factors in many fires and can lead to serious injuries.
- Burn candles in sturdy candleholders that will not tip and are covered with a glass shade. When you go out, blow out!

NEWS FROM COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Please note that this report does not include all proceedings of the council meetings. For more detailed information, please request copies of the minutes from the office. Approved minutes are also made available online on the agenda of the subsequent Council Meeting.

Committee of the Whole Minutes of June 16

Clerk will send the following items to Council meeting for Council to support:

- The Township of Huron Shores and the Huron North Community Economic Alliance initiatives to secure a broadband internet network along the Huron North corridor
- The Township of Tay as it seeks the Ontario Government and the Government of Canada to intervene with the Great Lakes International Joint

Commission to better manage and control lake levels as set out in the IJC Mission statement.

Council directs:

- Clerk to draft revised purchasing policy to include the ideas brought forth by Councilor Kern
- Clerk to send a letter to Plummer Township to let them know that Johnson Township is in favour of reciprocal agreements amongst all area municipalities to provide alternate evacuation and operations centres and to assist with essential services in times of need.

July Council meetings have been cancelled at this time. Please check the Township website for up-to-date information concerning upcoming meetings.

NEWS FROM THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE

TOWNSHIP OF JOHNSON PAYMENTS

E-Transfer -The Township is now set up for E-Transfers using

payments@johnsontownship.ca. This payment option should only be used for fire and building permits, dog tags, recreation, arena rentals etc. Please make sure you indicate what your payment is for. **Do not use this option to pay property taxes or utility bills; use the appropriate payee account in your online banking or send a cheque/ money order to the office.**

Utility Billing - The office will no longer be accepting utility payments made online under your property tax account. We have set up a new payee account for utility billing to pay water/ sewer charges online through your bank. Please use: **Johnson Township – Utilities** and the **6-digit Account Number** located on your bill. **ANY PAYMENTS RECEIVED UNDER THE PROPERTY TAX ACCOUNT WILL BE APPLIED TO PROPERTY TAXES.**

Property Taxes - When paying your property taxes online please ensure that, if you have more than one Roll #, the payment for each one is paid separately under the appropriate roll number so we know how to process the payment correctly. If paying by cheque/cash, include the bottom portion of your bill(s). Please do not assume that we know how many properties you have and how you want your payment distributed.

Receipts - To save on printing, receipts are only issued upon request. If you would like a receipt, please contact the office and one will be mailed or emailed to you.

If you have any questions, please call 705-782-6601 Ext 1-203 or send an email to people@johnsontownship.ca. Detailed information is posted on the website at johnsontownship.ca

NOTE: ALL MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS REMAIN CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

SUMMER LAND-FILL HOURS

Wednesdays -
noon to 7PM

Saturdays - 9AM to 5PM



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Hours of Operation

Monday to Friday
8:30am to 4:30pm