



HCM News

THE UNITED TOWNSHIPS OF HEAD, CLARA & MARIA

Mayor's Message

The past months have been a busy time and a sharp learning curve for your new Council. We are very pleased with the progress that has been accomplished thus far in our mandate. One of our first decisions was to adopt the municipality's Emergency Management Program on December 18th, 2018. We are required by provincial legislation to formulate and implement an emergency plan for our community. Our Interim Clerk, Ms. Crystal Fischer is also our Community Emergency Management Coordinator (CEMC). Emergency Management training was provided to Renfrew County senior management and elected officials on March 6th and will continue here in Head, Clara & Maria in June for staff, Council and residents. After the wildfire experience in our community last summer it is my hope that we can interest community participation in any offered training. We will keep you posted.

At the January 17th Council meeting the decision to opt-in to cannabis retail sales was passed by a 4 to 1 decision. If a cannabis store location is proposed in Head, Clara & Maria, residents would have an opportunity to share their views with the AGCO before a retail store would be authorized. The Registrar may refuse to authorize a cannabis store if it is in the public interest to do so. The Ministry of Finance will be providing a minimum of \$10,000 to each municipality based on population. Municipalities that opt in by the deadline, as we did, will also receive additional funds through a funding agreement between the Federal Government and the Provinces.

On February 26th Councillor Allen and I had the opportunity to attend the Ontario Superior Court of Justice hearing in Pembroke that considered issues affecting our Council and the Missing Link Snowmobile Club. We were successful in obtaining an Order from Justice James. This Order permits Council to consider, discuss, and vote on matters in which the MLSC has a financial interest. This is important because 4 of the 5 members of Council are also members of the MLSC and, would therefore have indirect conflicts in such matters per the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act. The Court Order and the full report from our legal Counsel can be found on our website.

Your council had the opportunity to receive a deputation from Mr. Gregory Bowes, the CEO and director of Northern Graphite – www.northerngraphite.com at our March meeting. This company's Bissett Creek mining project hopes to be in production in 2020 (subject to financing). The purpose of his visit was to give the new Council and public gallery an overview and update on the project, as well as discuss the purchase or lease from HCM of the surface rights to the road allowance on the mine site. At the same meeting we began our preliminary discussions of the 2019 Draft Working Budget. The budget is a work in progress and discussions will continue at our April 25th meeting. It is our hope to have a final budget to pass at the May meeting.

Mayor's Hours at the Municipal office – an invitation to meet with me and Deputy Mayor Villeneuve. The spring hours will be held on the second Friday of the month. The dates are as follows: Friday April 12; Friday May 10; Friday June 14 from 12:30 pm to 4:00 pm. If you would like to meet at another time please call me at 613-586-1904 or 613-585-9778, or email d.grills@headclaramaria.ca to make an appointment. We look forward to meeting with you.

Mayor Debbi Grills

The United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria has accepted the resignation of CAO/Clerk Melinda Reith effective April 25, 2019. The decision to accept Ms. Reith's resignation was made with regret by the Council of Head, Clara & Maria during a special meeting on March 27, 2019.

We thank Ms. Reith for her years of dedicated service to our community and wish her success in all of her future endeavours.



Mayor Debbi Grills

Deputy Mayor Ernie Villeneuve

Councillors Brent Allen, Chris Dowser & Fran Kelly-Chamberlain

Staff Reminders and Notices

As of April 1st, a burn permit is required for anyone planning to burn brush, grass etc. on your property. This excludes small campfires. The municipality has implemented a seasonal permit system which requires the property owner to come to the municipal office and fill out an application. The cost is \$5 and is valid for the whole season; April 1– October 31. Once you have your permit, all you have to do is call or email the office when you are burning so that we can inform the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry; which is a component of our annual agreement.

We have been successful in obtaining grant funding through the New Horizon's for Senior's Program, for a Seniors/Intergenerational Program. Please watch for notices of upcoming events including exercise, yoga, cooking classes, art and craft workshops, outings and more. If there is something you would like to see through the program, please let us know and we will try to accommodate!

Spring brings about renovation projects of all sorts. Before you start to build, please contact Bob Labre, our Chief Building Official to discuss your plans and see if you require a building permit.

Council and Staff are currently undergoing a service/organizational review that will link into our Strategic Planning and would like public input. There has been a suggestion box placed at the entrance of the municipal office where public can leave their suggestions and ideas; anonymously or not. You can also call or email staff or your member(s) of Council, or attend Mayor's hours posted above. Your input is important!

Our Lending Hub has a variety of equipment to be loaned at no cost, including kayaks, paddleboards, bicycles and sports equipment for all ages. Please call or stop in at the office for more information. An agreement and waiver must be signed with ID provided. (CF)

WASTE MANAGEMENT

Staff would like to thank those who ensure that their recycling is sorted properly; it saves Bill a lot of time and headache.

Our current recycling contractor, Beaumen, collects recycling in two streams; fibre and commingled. See the chart below. Because this is the way Beaumen collects recycling, we as a municipality have to make sure this is how our recycling is sorted. If Bill collects recycling from the curbside that is not sorted properly, it takes time away from his regular duties for something that is the responsibility of residents. Also, when materials are not sorted properly, they get ruined and have to be landfilled. If paper gets wet Beaumen, or any other recycling facility, will not accept it. It is considered ruined and must be thrown out. This happens frequently when paper and cans are mixed together. These factors result in increased operating costs at the expense of ratepayers.

There have been recent incidences of improper sorting of recycling. Refusal stickers will be issued in the future, and recycling will not be picked up if it is not sorted properly. If you have any questions or concerns about sorting, please call the office.

On another note; Bag tags will be available for pick up from the office as of May 1st. Those not picked up by June 3rd will be mailed.



DUAL STREAM RECYCLING IN HEAD, CLARA AND MARIA

Commingled- tin cans, aluminum cans, paint cans (empty, open, and metal only—not plastic cans) pie plates, trays, foil wrap; clear and coloured glass food and beverage bottles and jars; plastic food and beverage containers: bottles, tubs and lids, milk and juice cartons, ice cream containers
rinsed and clean

Fibre- newspaper, magazines, catalogues, flyers, junk mail; boxboard/ paperboard: cereal boxes, cracker boxes, tissue boxes, “paper” egg cartons, toilet paper/ paper towel rolls

Plastics— grocery and shopping bags. Outer wrap from water/pop cases, toilet paper and paper towels. Put all these items inside one bag—“bag in bag system”

Shredded Paper— must be in separate clear bag



Head, Clara and Maria’s Dual Stream Recycling program requires that fibres be separated from commingled material in clear plastic bags for curbside collection, or loose if residents wish to drop off their materials at the disposal site.

Please separate materials properly!

Items that are **not** recyclable: Zippered plastic bags (usually for blankets or bed-in-a-bag sets), solar blankets, fiber glass feed bags, **Styrofoam of any kind**, bubble wrap, sponge foam, foam sheeting, hard cover books, plastic or metal strapping, picture frames, plastic with metal paint cans, hangers, oil containers, compost, glass or ceramic dishes, Tupperware, Rubbermaid, plastic toys, window pane glass and diapers.

Electronics, tires, scrap metal, clean wood/brush can be dropped off at the disposal site free of charge during regular operating hours.



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MUNICIPAL HAZARDOUS AND SPECIAL WASTE

SATURDAY, MAY 25, 2019

10:00 A.M.—2:00 P.M.

KENNY ROAD LANDFILL SITE

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| ⇒ Latex or oil based paints and coating | Automobile and household batteries |
| ⇒ Solvents or turpentine | Oven & Window cleaners |
| ⇒ Used oil filters | Lubricating oil & containers |
| ⇒ Antifreeze and containers | BBQ lighter fluids |
| ⇒ Propane cylinders | Aerosol containers |
| ⇒ Florescent bulbs/tubes | Gasoline and Waste Oil |
| ⇒ Mercury switches/thermometers | Needles & Syringes |
| ⇒ Pharmaceuticals | Fire Extinguishers |
| ⇒ Fertilizers & Pesticides | Insecticides & Herbicides |
| ⇒ Disinfectants | Rat & Mouse Poisons |
| ⇒ Pool Chemicals | |

For more information, please call the Township Office at 613-586-2526, see Bill or your members of Council!



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Half Load Road Restrictions

The United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria will implement Half Load Restrictions on municipal roads beginning March 15, 2019 to end once roads are dry.

Signs will be posted when this period begins and removed when the reduced load period ends.

For Wilfred Lamure
HCM Road Superintendent

For additional information please contact the office at 613-586-2526 or your members of Council!

Community Dates to Remember

- CWL Bingo Sarrazin Fundraiser
April 14th at 2:00 p.m.
- Rec Committee Meeting
April 17th at 6:00 p.m.
- Library Spring Card Party
April 25th at 12:00 p.m.
- Regular Meeting of Council
April 25th at 7:00 p.m.
- Regular Meeting of Council
May 16th at 7:00 p.m.
- MHSW Collection
May 25th 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
- June Jazaar
June 1st at 9:00 a.m.
- Emergency Management Training
June 13th at 9:00 a.m.

Watch your email and bulletin boards for more information.

COUNCIL 2019 MEETING SCHEDULE

Council meets at 7:00 pm

APRIL 25 | MAY 16 | JUNE 22*

AUGUST 15 | SEPTEMBER 19

OCTOBER 17 | NOVEMBER 21

DECEMBER 19

* June 22 meeting begins at 1:00 p.m.

A MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE FIRE MARSHALL AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Emergency Preparedness Week 2019

Emergency Preparedness (EP) Week 2019 (May 5-11) is a Canada-wide initiative to increase awareness of individual and family preparedness.

May 8, 2019 Public Alerting Test—Alert Ready in Ontario is part of a national service designed to deliver critical and potentially life-saving emergency alert messages to Canadians.

You can check your phone's compatibility online at <https://www.alertready.ca/>

If your phone is not compatible, you can subscribe to receive emergency alerts by email, SMS texts and social media.

Family Emergency Kit

During an emergency you may have no electrical power or be asked to evacuate. An emergency kit contains essential items you and your family need to survive on your own for at least 72 hours. Keep a kit at home, work and in your car. Your kit should be easy to carry and portable such as a knapsack or suitcase. Check the contents twice a year to ensure the freshness of food and water, and refresh items if needed.

KIT ESSENTIALS:

- Non-perishable food
- Prescription medication
- Manual can opener
- Bottled water (4L per person, per day)
- Flashlight, glow stick
- Radio (w/batteries) or crank radio
- First-aid kit
- Whistle to signal for help
- Cell phone with chargers and backup battery
- Clothing, footwear, blankets or sleeping bags
- Moist towelettes, hand sanitizers and garbage bags for personal sanitation
- Extra keys and cash
- Copies of important papers (identification, insurance)

Customize your kit to meet the unique needs of your family. If you or someone in your household has a disability or special need, check out the Emergency Preparedness Guide for People with Disabilities/Special Needs at ontario.ca/beprepared for additional information on what to include in your emergency kit and family plan.



first aid kit



water



crank radio



food

Pet Emergency Kit

Bring your pets indoors at the first indication of an emergency. If you have to evacuate, take your pets with you if it's safe to do so.

Build a pet emergency kit and keep it with your family kit. For more detail, please visit ontariospca.ca/ep.



Hazards

Learn about local hazards in your area and what to do for each hazard. These actions may save your life.

Flood

- Do not walk, swim, or drive through flood waters.
- Stay off of bridges over fast-moving water.
- Determine how best to protect yourself based on the type of flooding. Evacuate if told to do so.
- Obey traffic barricades and road closure signs.

Winter Storm

- Avoid all unnecessary travel and postpone non-essential appointments.
- Stay indoors and keep your pets inside.
- Run a trickle of water to prevent pipes from freezing.
- If you are outside, dress appropriately for the weather and check for frostbite regularly.

Tornado

- Go to the basement, or a small interior room on the lowest level such as a closet or bathroom.
- Get under a sturdy table and use your arms to protect your head and neck.
- If you are outside, go to the nearest sturdy building or shelter, or lay flat, covering your head with your hands for protection.
- DO NOT take shelter under a highway overpass, where wind speeds can increase due to a tunneling effect.

Power Outage

- If your neighbours' power is also out, notify your electrical supply authority.
- Never use charcoal or gas barbecues, camping heating equipment or a home generator indoors.
- Use glow sticks or flashlights to see.
- Keep freezer and fridge doors closed. A freezer will keep food frozen for 24-36 hours if the door remains closed.
- Stay away from fallen power lines.

Family Emergency Plan

Ask an out-of-town friend or relative to be your family contact. Your contact should live outside of your home neighbourhood and everyone in your family should know their name, address and phone number. In an emergency, keep your family contact updated on your whereabouts and safety status.

2019 Recycling Dates

April 8, 22
 May 6, 21
 June 3, 17
 July 2, 15, 29
 August 12, 26
 September 9, 23
 October 7, 21
 November 4, 18
 December 2, 16, 30



Municipal Disposal Site Hours

Bissett Creek Site

Tuesday 12:30 pm - 3:30 pm
 Saturday 12:45 - 3:45 pm
 Located on Bissett Creek Road

Stonecliffe Site

Thursday 12:45 pm - 4:15 pm
 Saturday 8:30 am - 12:00 pm
 Located on Kenny Road

Collection Days and Times

Deux Rivieres

Tuesday 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Bissett Creek

Tuesday 11:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Stonecliffe

Thursday 11:00 - 12:00 noon

Mackey

Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

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