



Town of East Gwillimbury

Our Town, Our News!



Mayor
James R. Young



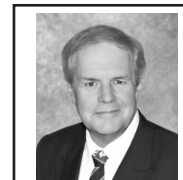
Councillor
Cathy Morton



Councillor
Virginia Hackson



Councillor
Marlene Johnston



Councillor
Jack Hauseman

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

East Gwillimbury Council Commended for its work with Habitat for Humanity

Tom Taylor made a presentation to East Gwillimbury Council on behalf of Habitat for Humanity and commended East Gwillimbury for the contributions made to the organization. East Gwillimbury had negotiated two units in the Harvest Hills Subdivision – Habitat for Humanity will liaise directly with the landowners to ensure that they receive the maximum benefit from these two units.

Highway 404 Extension

Work for the Highway 404 extension has commenced with structure construction. An overpass on Mt. Albert Road is planned to be constructed in 2008. Please watch future issues of this page and the Town's website for more information as it becomes available.

Presentations from Ontario Power Authority and Clean Air Alliance

Council received presentations and asked various questions of representatives from both the Ontario Power Authority (OPA) and the Clean Air Alliance regarding power generation in Northern York Region. Council is listening to all available information before moving forward with a position.

UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS:

Monday, May 5th, 2008

1:00 pm Committee of the Whole Council

3:00 pm Council

For more information including Council Agendas and Minutes please visit www.eastgwillimbury.ca.

CONGRATULATIONS

The Mayor and Members of Council presented all the players, manager and coaches of the East Gwillimbury Eagles Midget AE Team Certificates of Recognition to honour their winning the O.M.H.A. Group 2 Championship in March, and International SilverStick Tournament in January.



THINKING GREEN!



Close your refrigerator door on a five dollar bill or piece of paper. If there is a slight drag on the paper, your door gasket (seal) is OK. If you can pull it out easily, you may need to replace the door gasket. A tight sealing gasket keeps cold air in and lowers energy costs.

THANKS!

Residents broke their winter hibernation last weekend when they replaced their winter mitts with work gloves and helped clean up litter from around the Town. Neighbours met neighbours, people had a great time, and our community looks much tidier this week. Pictured below is Councillor Marlene Johnston and the Holland Landing Scout Troop, who did an outstanding job of cleaning up their neighbourhood.



Registration prizes were won by Kim Ledlie, E. Galius and Stuart Goodall. Thank you everyone who participated in this year's town-wide clean-up!

YORK REGION TRANSIT



YORK, CONNECTED

Starting April 27, 2008, YRT/Viva is revising select bus schedules and routes within the Town of East Gwillimbury.

Revised routes/schedules:

Route 58/58A – Leslie North-Mt. Albert [Re-structured route]

New airport connection!

GO Transit will provide service between Richmond Hill Centre Terminal, Pearson International Airport and Square One Shopping Centre. GO Transit fares apply – visit www.gotransit.com for more details.

For more information, visit our website at yrt.ca or call 1-866-MOVE-YRT or (905) 762-2100 to speak with a Customer Service Representative. Thanks for riding YRT/Viva!

BUILDING PERMIT FEES REVISION

The Town of East Gwillimbury is proposing a revised "Building Permit Fee By-law" under Section 7 of the Building Code Act.

Fees covering a general fee increase are being proposed. A copy of the Staff Report dealing with rationale, amount of the fee increase, and cost estimates is available for review on the Town webpage (www.eastgwillimbury.ca) or in the Development and Legal Services Department of the Town of East Gwillimbury, 19000 Leslie Street, Sharon, Ontario.

A public meeting will be held on May 20, 2008, at 6:45 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the East Gwillimbury Civic Centre. The meeting will provide an opportunity for any person to make representation and comments on this matter. Written submissions on the matter are to be received by the Clerk by 4:30 p.m. May 16, 2008.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS WEEK

MAY 4 - 10

Is Your Family Prepared?

Emergency Preparedness Week is an annual, national event that takes place during the first full week in May. The main objective is to increase awareness about individual preparedness. For more information, visit: www.emergencymanagementontario.ca

Emergency Survival Checklist (Three-day supply per person)

- Flashlight and batteries
- Clothing and footwear
- Radio and batteries or crank radio
- Blankets or sleeping bags
- Spare batteries for radio or flashlight
- Toilet paper and other personal items
- First-aid Kit
- Medication
- Candles and matches/lighter
- Backpack/duffel bag (to hold all of the emergency survival kit items)
- Extra car keys and cash
- Important papers (identification)
- Whistle (to attract attention, if needed)
- Food and bottled water
- Playing cards, games

PROPERTY TAXES DUE

The interim 2008 property tax bills were mailed on January 10, 2008.

Payment is due as follows:

1st installment due: February 29, 2008

2nd installment due: April 30, 2008

You may pay your tax bill at the Town office or at any chartered bank. You may pay your taxes by cash, cheque, post-dated cheque, direct debit, telephone/internet banking, or pre-authorized payment.

There are also two pre-authorized payment plans available:

- Option #1 – Monthly Installment Plan
Withdrawal date is the 15th of each month.
- Option #2 – Due Date Installment Plan

Please contact the Finance Department at 905-478-4282 ext. 1229 if you did not receive a tax bill or wish further information about the pre-authorized payment plan.

All unpaid taxes will be charged an interest charge of 1.25% per month.

THANK YOU!

The North Union Community Recreation Committee would like to thank all residents for supporting their Annual Pancake Breakfast which was held on Saturday, April 19th. Approximately 300 adults and children enjoyed fresh pancakes and sausages, with all proceeds raised going to support the Mount Albert Legion to Honor Our Troops.

A heartfelt thank you is extended to all our volunteers for all their help, Enbridge Gas for donating their B.B.Q. services, and Stewart Food Service for donating the wonderful food.

See you at the Strawberry Supper on June 18th.