

CWC/COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

From November 19, 2019

Emergency Services Funding - The Town received \$5,000 in funding from Enbridge Gas and the Fire Marshal's Public Fire Safety Council's Project Assist. The funding will be used for firefighter training and materials.

Award Winning Winter Operations - The Town received a Healthy Water Award from the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority for the Town's innovative winter maintenance program. In 2019, the Town introduced an anti-icing program which pre-treats the roads before a storm to prevent ice from forming. This leads to less salt application once the storm hits, ultimately meaning salt is diverted from the Lake Simcoe watershed.

Proposed Fill Public Meeting - A public meeting was held for a proposed fill application at 18725 McCowan Road. The applicant is currently reviewing all of the comments/questions received and will provide responses to staff. A future report is expected to come back with this information at an evening Council meeting in January or February 2020. If you would like to submit comments/concerns please contact the Town's Municipal Inspector Tyler Dukovic at 905-478-4282 ext. 1274 or tdukovic@eastgwillimbury.ca. Visit www.eastgwillimbury.ca/generalnotices for more information and future updates.



3 UPDATES TO PARKING BY-LAW

Council recently passed a new consolidated Traffic and Parking by-law. The changes ensure:

- Roads are clear for Emergency Service vehicles
- Roads/sidewalks are clear for winter maintenance operations
- Residents have the appropriate parking for their vehicles and are utilizing all available spaces on their property (including the garage) to keep roads clear as much as possible; and
- Rules are clear and enforceable

The Town's by-law will:

- ✓ Maintain the year-round three-hour parking limit
- ✓ Maintain the 7 to 11 p.m., 3 hour parking exemption period
- ✓ No parking during any snow storms
- ✓ Parking Consideration Forms available for overnight parking for residents online at www.eastgwillimbury.ca/parking

New:

- ✓ No parking from 2 to 6 a.m. year-round
- ✓ Updated parking fines to align with municipal comparators

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN EG

2019 HOLIDAY CARD

Thank you to the grade three students from EG who submitted artwork for the cover of the Town's 2019 holiday card. Congratulations to Ava from Our Lady of Good Counsel whose artwork was selected to be on the cover. Special recognition also to Evelyn and Lily from Robert Munsch Public School for their 2nd and 3rd place pictures.



MOUNT ALBERT LIONS FUNDRAISING

The Mount Albert Lions Club presented Council with a cheque for \$25,000 towards the Skateboard and Scooter Zone at the Mount Albert Community Centre Park. The Lions also launched a new fundraising campaign to sell paving stones for the park. If you are interested in purchasing a stone email vaughan.moult@sympatico.ca.



2020 Business Plan & Budget

The proposed budget has a tax levy increase of approximately 3.2 per cent, which represents an increase to the average home of about \$51. The breakdown is as follows:

Programs and Services - The budget for base programs and services will maintain current service levels with a proposed tax levy increase of \$35 for the average homeowner, which is a 2.2 per cent increase.

Community Safety - The budget continues to support Council's multi-year funding plan for community safety. This dedicated increase is an annual tax levy increase of \$8 for the average homeowner, which is a 0.5 per cent increase.

Community Health & Recreation Facility - The budget includes provisions for the operational funding of the upcoming Health & Active Living Plaza. The construction of this facility will be fully funded through development charges, resulting in no cost to the tax payer. The multi-year funding plan requires a tax levy increase of \$8 per year for homeowners, which is a 0.5 per cent increase.

If you would like to provide feedback or learn more visit www.eastgwillimbury.ca/budget

TOY & Food drive

November 25 to December 13

Help spread cheer this holiday season by participating in the Town's annual Toy & Food drive!

Donations

Unexpired, nonperishable food, new unwrapped toys, gift cards and toiletries are welcome! Drop off donations by December 13th to ensure delivery by Christmas.

Drop off locations:

- Civic Centre
- Holland Landing Library
- Ross Family Complex
- Sports Complex

If you or someone you know requires assistance this year please contact the Salvation Army at 905-895-6276. All information is kept strictly confidential.

COMMUNITY EVENTS & PROGRAMS

East Gwillimbury Food Pantry - November 30 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Holland Landing Library.

Holly & Ivy Christmas Tea - November 30 from 1:45 to 4 p.m. at Sharon-Hope United Church. Start your Christmas season with a quilts display, harpist, delicious food, prizes, and more! Tickets are \$25, for more information, call 905-478-2231.

Christmas Carol Sing - December 6 at 7 p.m. at the North Union Community Centre.

MAVA Tree Lighting and Caroling - December 6 at 7:15 p.m. at the Mount Albert Community Centre.

Mount Albert Lions Santa Claus Parade - December 7 at 11 a.m. in Mount Albert. The parade begins at King St. and will end at the Mt. Albert Community Centre.

Holland Landing Lions Brunch with Santa - December 7 from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Holland Landing Community Centre. Admission is \$5 for adults and children 10 and under are free.

Skate Safe with Emergency & Community Safety Services - December 8 from 12:30 to 1:20 p.m. at the Sports Complex (Atlas East Pad). Kick-off the holiday season with a free skate with our firefighters!

PREVENTING VEHICLE THEFT

Protect your vehicle from theft by taking a few simple precautions:

- Always roll up windows, lock the doors and take the key with you while your car is parked
- Never leave your vehicle unattended and running, even for short periods of time
- Always keep doors locked, even if you are just running into the house for a minute
- Never leave your car keys in plain sight or in an easily accessible location
- Keep your vehicle registration certificate and proof of insurance with you at all times
- Don't leave important documents in your glove compartment or on a seat

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