

TOWNSHIP OF MACDONALD, MEREDITH & ABERDEEN ADDITIONAL

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DO YOU NEED ANYTHING TO HELP YOU THROUGH THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC?

If you or someone you know needs any kind of assistance **we are here to help**. Do you need help accessing groceries, medications or essential items? Please call 705-987-1746 - Echo Bay & Area Food Bank or 705-248-2441-Municipal Office-**WE CAN DELIVER!**

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR DOING YOUR PART DURING THIS DIFFICULT TIME. BY CONTINUING TO FOLLOW THE RULES AND NOT LET OUR GUARD DOWN WE CAN BEAT THIS COVID-19 PANDEMIC!

FIRE PERMITS

Now that the Province has lifted the Restricted Fire Zone you can get a Fire Permit and are allowed to burn. Contact the municipal office to make arrangements for your fire permit. They are \$5.00 and require a signature.

LANDFILL/SPRING CLEANUP

We are accepting brush and clean burnables at the landfill now that the Restricted Fire Zone has been lifted. A reminder that the landfill is still on reduced hours. **It is open Tuesdays 12-5 and Saturdays 9-5.** **SHARE SHED REMAINS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

MUNICIPAL SERVICES

The municipal office continues to be closed to the public until further notice. We are operating internally and can be contacted at 705-248-2441 or by e-mail at twpmacd@onlink.net. You can continue to make on-line payments or you can drop your payment off through the door slot. If you have any questions please contact us or checkout our website at www.echobay.ca for up to date information. We ask that you continue to be patient through this difficult time and thank everyone for staying home by doing your part in beating this pandemic. What we are doing is working but we cannot let our guard down. We have to continue to be cautious and wait this out a little longer.

COUNCIL AND STAFF THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE AND DOING YOUR PART!

BUDGET 2020

Council will be approving the 2020 Budget at the June 2, 2020 Regular Council Meeting. All Meetings are being held by teleconference during the COVID-19 Pandemic. The Teleconference # 1-855-343-6177 and ID# 6677865 are printed on the top of every agenda and the public is more than welcome to listen in on the meetings.

PROVINCIAL OFFENCES OFFICER/BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT

The Township is looking to hire a Provincial Offences Officer/By-law Enforcement Officer who will be responsible for enforcing our Dog By-law #15-1892. If you are interested in this position please submit your resume with a covering letter electronically at twpmacd@onlink.net or by fax 705-248-3091 or you can drop it through the door slot at the municipal office or mail to 208 Church St. Echo Bay, ON POS 1C0 by Friday June 12, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

ECHO BAY WATER DISTRIBUTION FLUSHING

Ontario Clean Water Agency will be performing the annual preventative maintenance in the distribution system between June 15^t and 19th. Flushing of hydrants and exercising of valves will take place during this time. Residents may notice low water pressure and/or discoloured water during this process. If you experience discoloured water, please run your cold water tap until the water runs clear.

BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU FLUSH

We recognize that many residents may be increasing their use of disinfectant wipes, paper towels and facial tissues in response to COVID-19. We would like to remind residents not to flush wet wipes of any kind. Despite what some packaging says, wipes are not flushable. Paper towels and facial tissues also do not belong in the toilet because they do not break down like toilet paper does. If these items are flushed they can cause blockages in pipes which may lead to sewage overflows in your home or business. They can also clog sewers and cause costly damages to local wastewater infrastructure.

REMEMBER THE 3 "P" that are flushable PEE, POOP AND PAPER (toilet paper)-NO EXCEPTIONS!

DUE TO COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS WATER METERS WILL NOT BE READ ON JUNE 1. WE WILL BE BILLING ONCE AGAIN ON THE BASE AMOUNT ONLY.