TOWNSHIP OF MACDONALD, MEREDITH & ABERDEEN ADDITIONAL

MARCH 2021

COVID-19 MASS VACINATION PLAN

At this time Algoma Public Health has provided the first round of vaccines to our Long-Term Care Home residents and First Nation Elder Lodges. They are currently working on vaccinating all identified populations in **Phase 1 of Ontario's 3 Phase Vaccination Distribution Plan** which includes: <u>Immediate Priority</u>- alternate level of care patients in hospitals who have confirmed admission to a long-term care home, health care workers identified as highest priority, indigenous adults in northern remote and higher risk communities. <u>Next Priority</u>-adults 80 years of age and older, staff, residents and caregivers in retirement homes and other congregate care settings for seniors, health care workers identified as the high priority level, all indigenous adults and adult recipients of chronic home care. Until vaccines are widely available, it remains important to take steps to protect yourself, your loved ones and our community against COVID-19. This includes staying home as much as possible, keep two meters (six feet) distance from others, wearing your mask and washing your hands often. Please check out Algoma Public Health website at **www.algomapublichealth.com** for further information on eligible populations for vaccination and clinic locations.

<u>SYLVAN VALLEY CEMETERY</u> <u>CARETAKER</u>

We are accepting applications or letters of interest for the position of Cemetery Caretaker for our Sylvan Valley Cemetery. For more information on this positon please contact the municipal office at 705-248-2441.

FIRE PERMITS

Fire permits are required from April 1-October 31 and are \$5.00. You can purchase your Fire Permit on our Website **echobay.ca** SUMMER LANDFILL HOURS

BEGIN APRIL 1, 2021.

TUESDAY-12:00 -8:00 P.M.

THURSDAY-12:00 -5:00 P.M.

SATURDAY-8:00 A.M.-5:00 P.M.

COVID-19 PANDEMIC UPDATE

Now that the Stay At Home Order has been lifted for our area and we move back to the Provincial Colour Framework we can now offer more services again in our community. As of Monday February 22, 2021 the Municipal Office door remains locked but we are open by appointment. If you come to the municipal office please ring the door bell and ensure that you are wearing a mask. COVID-19 screening is required and sign in for contact tracing. We continue to work internally to ensure no services are disrupted during these trying times. We are also happy to announce that the Sportsplex has also reopened for hockey and ice rentals. Due to the provincial regulations we are still not having public skates but you can certainly rent the ice for a family skate. For all ice rentals you can go to our website or for more

information contact Leisure Services Coordinator Trisha Daynard at 705-248-2381 or email <u>tdaynard@ontera.net</u>. We continue to offer virtual events and activities for everyone to enjoy best we can. If you have an idea that you would like to share please contact Trisha.

DOG TAGS

Dog Tags are due March 31, 2021. After March 31 the fees will double. You can purchase your Dog License on our website, **echobay.ca.** When we receive confirmation of your purchase, a dog tag will be mailed to you to place on your dog. You can also make an appointment to come into the office. If you have any questions please contact us.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Sunday March 14, 2021 at 3:00 a.m.

A friendly reminder to change the batteries in both your smoke alarm and carbon monoxide detectors. Also remember to test them regularly.

WORKING SMOKE ALARMS SAVE LIVES! Change your Clock, Change Your Battery NEXT BUDGET MEETING TUESDAY MARCH 30th @ 7:00P.M.

LOAD RESTRICTIONS TO BE IN EFFECT SOON. WATCH FOR SIGNS.

INTERIM TAX BILL DUE DATE MARCH 15, 2021.

UNITED WAY-INCOME TAX PREPARATION

Get your taxes done **FREE!** If your annual income falls below \$40,000.00 per couple, \$35,000.00 for single parent or \$30,000.00 for single you qualify. The United Way of Sault Ste. Marie will be accepting tax documents to be **DROP OFF ONLY**. Tax paperwork can be dropped off at the Municipal Office located at 208 Church St. Echo Bay, the week of **March 15-19 ONLY**. Please make sure your paperwork is placed into a sealed envelope and addressed to United Way along with your name and phone number on the front. You will receive a call to complete your intake over the phone. Please feel free to contact Kaylee D'Angelo at 705-256-7476 ext. 217 with any questions or concerns.