



2025 Senior of the Year

The Township of Macdonald, Meredith and Aberdeen Additional is proud to recognize Fred Shaughnessy as our 2025 Senior of the Year. Fred’s quiet leadership, unwavering kindness, and constant willingness to lend a hand has made a lasting impact in our community. Whether responding to emergencies, organizing the annual Canada Day firework display at McCarrel Lake, or helping neighbours through harsh winters, Fred consistently goes above and beyond without seeking recognition. His dedication to the well-being of others, active participation in community events, and genuine care for his friends and neighbours exemplify the spirit of this award.

We are sincerely grateful for Fred’s many contributions and proud to honor him as our 2025 Senior of the Year!

THANK YOU FRED!

MUSEUM LENDING LIBRARY

The Museum Lending Library is proud to be part of the Ontario Parks Permit Lending Program! Residents of our municipality can sign out a day-use park permit up to 3 days in advance for 1 week at a time. With your permit, you can also borrow walking sticks to enhance your hiking experience!



Summer Library Hours
 Monday–Friday: 9am– 3pm
 Saturday: Closed
 Sunday: Closed



Stop by the library to borrow your pass and enjoy the great outdoors!

2025 Budget—At a Glance

- 2025 Residential Tax Rate—0.01491460
- 2025 Education Rate – 0.00153000
- The 2025 rate remained effectively unchanged
- 2025 Average property assessment: \$139,289.55
- 2025 Average tax bill: \$2,290.56



Key Capital Projects for 2025:

- **Fire Services:** Procuring a new pumper truck and we were successful in our grant applications to cover new cancer prevention protective equipment, drones and thermal imaging cameras.
- **Roads & Bridges:** Surface treatment on sections of McCarrel Lake Road, Maple Leaf Road East, Bar River Road East and Cemetery Road. Complete re-build of McCarrel Lake Road from Watson Road to the end (to be surfaced treated in 2026).
- **Water Tower Rehabilitation:** Interior and exterior coatings to extend the tower’s useful life.
- **Land Acquisition:** Purchased 18.9 acres on Lake Street North abutting municipal recreation property. Future development plans under consideration.

Help Stop Invasive Phragmites!



Phragmites australis (European Common Reed) is a highly invasive plant that poses serious threats to our local ecosystems, infrastructure, and recreational areas. It forms dense stands that crowd out native species, block drainage, increase fire risk, and reduce access to natural areas. Early detection is key! Learn how to identify and report infestations.

For more info or a quick ID guide, contact Lake Huron North at:
<https://www.invasivespeciescentre.ca/>

