THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON 2024 SPRING NEWSLETTER





Ryerson Municipal Office

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TUESDAY to FRIDAY: 8:30 A.M TO 4:00 P.M.

THE OFFICE IS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC ON MONDAY

Mayor: George Sterling (705) 382-1761

Councillors:

Beverly Abbott (705) 387-1690 Glenn Miller (705) 380-0142 Delynne Patterson (705) 783-7188 Dan Robertson (289) 221-0110 p.m. with only one meeting a month planned during the summer; the meeting schedule is on the website. Everyone is welcome to attend. To be a delegate, submit a delegation form by 12:00 noon on the Monday prior to the scheduled meeting. For access to the virtual meeting e-mail before 4:00 pm to clerk@ryersontownship.ca or call (705) 382-3232.

ALL DOGS REQUIRE DOG TAGS Licenses for 2024 are available at the Township Office or online. Fees prior to March 31st are \$16.00 for the first dog and \$21.00 for each additional dog.

DOG TAGS PURCHASED AFTER MARCH 31ST ARE \$32.00 FOR THE FIRST DOG AND \$42.00 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL DOG.

New By-law Enforcement Officers:

Jason Newman – 705-477-3793 – bylaw@armourtownship.ca Bryan Austin – 705-571-4453 – enforcement@armourtownship.ca Office: 705-382-3332



TRAILER ON YOUR PROPERTY? Trailer fees are due on June 24, 2024. If you haven't paid yet, please contact the office.



The Armour, Ryerson, & Burk's Falls **Arena** will have public skating Sundays from 1-3pm starting June 30, 2024, until September 1, 2024, and Fridays from 7-9pm starting July 5, 2024, until August 30, 2024.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT contact Brian Dumas at (705) 384-9444 or cbojbc@strongtownship.com. Remember you must obtain a building or demolition permit if you are constructing or demolishing buildings.



Notice of Load Restrictions: Load Restriction regulations will take effect and be enforced on all Township roads on March 1st, 2024, or when signs are put in place. These restrictions will remain in effect for a period that will depend on road conditions, with signs being posted accordingly.

Depending on the progression of the spring thaw, restrictions can come into effect quickly, sometimes with only a few days notice.

Please keep this period in mind if you are planning to get a load of logs or building supplies delivered to your property in the spring. Once the road integrity has been restored, the load restrictions are removed.

VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTERS ARE NEEDED!!!

Are you looking for a rewarding career and help your community? Burk's Falls & District Fire Department is actively HIRING!

Applications can be found on our website or at our office- 28 Midlothian Road, Burk's Falls. Fill out the application and return to our office or to the Fire Department office at 162 Huston St. Burk's Falls with "Attention Fire Chief."



BE AWARE OF FIRE RATINGS AND OUTDOOR BURNING REGULATIONS

NO DAYTIME BURNING IS PERMITTED BETWEEN 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., APRIL 1ST TO OCT 31^{ST.}

Everyone has the responsibility to keep their families and homes safe from fire and carbon monoxide. The best ways to do this are to:

- Prevent fires from starting;
- Install and maintain working smoke alarms on every storey of your home and outside all sleeping areas to have as much time to safely escape as possible if a fire does occur. Not only do smoke alarms save lives, they are required by law;
- Plan and practice a home fire escape plan so everyone in the home knows exactly what to do should the smoke alarms sound in an emergency;
- Have fuel-burning appliances serviced annually by certified service technicians.

Keep an eye on the municipal website and fire rating signs throughout the municipality for updated fire conditions. **Call 911 in an emergency.**

Contact Cameron Haffner @ 705-788-4676 with any questions or concerns.



Landfill - 141 Chetwynd Road.

Be sure to do your part with blue box recycling and the many diversion programs available at the site. Hold onto your landfill card, it was reloaded in January with 45 bags. Lost or stolen cards can be deactivated, and the remaining value can be reloaded to a replacement card. A fee of \$11 applies for a replacement card. Blue boxes are available at the landfill site for \$11.

Expect to see the reuse centre open for the Victoria Day Long weekend. For more information, Call Amy Tilley at 705-382-3332 or email: landfill@armourtownship.ca.

Hazmat Dates: May 25th and August 24th at the Strong Township Landfill, 483 Forest Lake Road from 10 am to 2 pm.

Paint cans are considered hazardous waste when they contain paint. If the cans are empty or completely dry, they can be placed in the trash.

Historical Society:

Come Visit the Historical Society! The Burk's Falls and District Historical Society is looking forward to opening their doors again this summer at the Watt Century Farmhouse Heritage Centre and the Wiseman's Corner Schoolhouse Heritage Centre with displays of our many artifacts and photos. Currently, we are in the planning stages of Heritage Festival 2024 with the Township of Armour. The celebration will host the annual Firefighter Challenge, a Car Show and Vendors' Market and will be held on the Burk's Falls Fairgrounds on Saturday, July 13th - SAVE THE DATE! New members and volunteers are welcome. You can keep up to date by visiting our website at: www.burksfallsdistricthistoricalsociety.com or contact us by email at info@burksfallsdistricthistoricalsociety.com

Almaguin Community Economic Development has partnered with municipalities throughout the region to help address two major challenges facing our region: transportation and housing. Using the results from the Almaguin Transportation Survey, regional partners aim to investigate creative solutions to helping people move around the region. ACED's participation in the Almaguin Housing Task Force will help to identify policy changes and other factors that will help encourage new housing throughout the region. ACED is also continuing to improve the promotion of the Almaguin Region through social media, web, and other means; make sure to keep an eye out for us at the Cottage Life Show! See more of what we are up to: https://explorealmaguin.ca.

Library

Welcome to Spring! Your library has lots to do and lots planned! All residents of Ryerson are entitled to a library card that will lead to a vast variety of loanable materials and technology, electronic resources, and community information. Your Library offers many public services such as printing, faxing, and laminating, as well as public access to Wi-Fi, computers, and technology support. Seasonal programs and workshops are available for patrons of all ages, including the Chess, Seed Library Exchange, Library Book Club, Sewing Club and so much more! Visit today and explore what your library has to offer, no matter your age. Consider joining the Friends of the Library. We are a volunteer group that advocates for the library, supports library programs, and fundraise for library needs.



CodeRED: Ryerson Township has partnered with the Village of Burk's Falls to offer residents CodeRED an Emergency Notification System. Sign up for this service today.

Visit https://public.coderedweb.com/CNE/en-CA/BF11DA7A32D2?

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS: Are you and your family prepared for possible emergencies? A 72-hour kit can enable you to meet the needs of all household members, including pets and children, if you must stay home for an extended period due to an emergency. The spring melt presents flood risks in Ryerson.

To learn more, visit www.ryersontownship.ca/emergency-preparedness.



Letting the grass grow in parts or all of your lawn will help the bees, butterflies, and other pollinators.

Not mowing for ONE month results in enough nectar for TEN times more bees.

SAVE THE BEES

FIND THE 2024 SPRING NEWSLETTER online on the Ryerson website: www.ryersontownship.ca