



Municipal Offices & Garage: 28 Midlothian Road | Open Mon. to Fri. 8:30 - 4:00 (closed for lunch)
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REEVE: Glenn Miller (705)380-0142

COUNCILLORS:

Rosalind Hall (705) 382-5102

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George Sterling (705) 382-1761

Doug Weddel (705) 382-9060

Normally, **COUNCIL MEETINGS** are held at 7:00 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday of each month, at the Municipal Office. For the summer only, one meeting per month will be planned, call the office or check the web site regarding the summer schedule. Everyone welcome. If you wish to be on the agenda you must do so, in writing, by 12 Noon on the Thursday preceding the meeting.

The **ACCESSIBILITY PLAN** is available on the website, or contact the municipal office for more information.

The **ANIMAL CONTROL** and **Municipal Law Enforcement Officer** is Caitlin Deevey (705) 497-4959. This is a part-time contract position and is *not* a 24/7 service. Ms. Deevey will answer calls within a reasonable length of time. **Almaguin Animal Shelter:** (705) 386-0020. **ALL DOGS REQUIRE DOG TAGS** – these are available at the Township Office. Caitlin Deevey is increasing enforcement of dog tag and trailer requirements, in addition to other by-law enforcement.

For the **BUILDING DEPARTMENT** contact Brian Dumas at (705) 384-9444. Ensure that you obtain a building permit before building.

BURKS FALLS & DISTRICT FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Time is everything when the smoke alarm activates. Get out, stay out and call 911. For more information contact: Fire Prevention Officer Joe Readman. Phone (705) 788-4676 or e-mail dc.fpo.bfd@ gmail.com
See Ryerson Township website under information tab select Fire Prevention for more information about **Fire Prevention** and the **Fire Rating** program.

2018 Municipal Election: MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2018

Voting Method: The election method for the 2018 Municipal Election in the Township of Ryerson will be Vote by Mail.

Nomination Period: The nomination period for the 2018 Municipal Election began on May 1, 2018 and will close at 2:00 p.m. on July 27, 2018.

Changes to the Municipal Elections Act: For more information visit the Ministry of Municipal Affairs website or the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) website.

ARE YOU ON THE VOTER'S LIST? Check... voterlookup.ca

(available March 2018)

Important Dates:

Nominations Open – May 1, 2018 Nomination Deadline – July 27, 2018 – 2:00 p.m.

Voting Day – October 22, 2018

Term of Office – December 1, 2018 to November 14, 2022

For more information visit www.ryersontownship.ca/2018-municipal-elections/

Did you know that the **ALMAGUIN HIGHLANDS HEALTH CENTRE** located at 150 Huston Street in Burk's Falls has many services available. Take advantage of shorter wait times. The services are here, so 'use them or lose them'. For more information call 705-382-2900. www.almaguin-health.org

CANADA POST: Please **do not** leave flyers at community mailboxes! If you do not want to receive flyers, please contact the Post Office.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Look for your copy of the 2018/2019 Almaguin Highlands Community Guide in many locations across the Almaguin Highlands or at www.almaguinhighlandschamber.com
The Community & Economic Development Officer is David Gray. Contact David at CEDO@burksfalls.ca or 705-571-1564.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS: Be prepared for emergencies. You are reminded to listen for severe weather warnings on local radio or television. "Your Emergency Preparedness Guide" is available on the Municipal website. To learn more, visit www.ryersontownship.ca/emergency-preparedness

LANDFILL: Make sure you have received your new landfill pass that allows for 25 free bags – they were mailed in June. This new pass is for July 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018. A new system is coming for 2019. Watch for updates in the fall of 2018. **TREAT THE NEW CARD LIKE YOU WOULD YOUR OTHER IMPORTANT CARDS – replacing a lost card will be at the user's expense.** You can purchase an additional pass at the municipal office or at the landfill site for \$3.00 for each bag of garbage. **Mandatory Clear Bags are required.** Landfill Inquiries can be made to: Amy Tilley at landfill@armourtownship.ca

HAZMAT DAY: Saturday, August 25th from 10 am to 2 pm at Strong Township Landfill, 483 Forest Lake Road.

The **25th Annual Garage and Craft Sale** was held on Saturday, June 23rd. Although rain was forecast, it didn't rain, and the weather did not dampen the spirits of the vendors and shoppers in attendance! The BBQ raised over \$315 for the Burk's Falls & District Food Bank with Council serving peameal on a bun and hot dogs.

LIBRARY: The Burk's Falls, Armour & Ryerson Union Public Library is a dynamic organization that provides innovative programming and information in a variety of formats for the continuing well-being of our community. *Join the TD Summer Reading Club this summer, weekly prizes and more.* Explore what your Community Library has to offer, no matter your age:

-  Story Hour with Carolyn
-  Almaguin Kids Club & MineCraft Club
-  Book Club Meeting
-  Photocopying, scanning, faxing and laminating offered for a minimum fee
-  Public Computers and WIFI Service are always available during operating hours. Free Lessons!

Check out the new arrivals shelves for your next read. And if you prefer listening to popular titles, we have those too. We loan eReaders loaded with books of different genres or we can help you borrow books on your eReader/Tablet through our Download Centre. FREE "A Visit Will Get You Thinking" when you go to www.burksfallslibrary.com to see "What's Happening @the Library this Week" All these and much more could not be possible without your patronage and support and for that WE THANK YOU.  

MUSEUM: The Wiseman Schoolhouse is open for the 2018 season from Thursday to Sunday – 11 am to 4 pm. Heritage Day will be celebrated on July 14th from 11 am to 3 pm at the Watt Century Farmhouse, 827 Chetwynd Road. Admission is free. This year we will celebrate the history of sports in Ontario. A firefighter challenge will be held at noon with five fire departments competing. Also, in attendance will be the Royal Canadiana, a vintage hydroplane! To entertain kids, we have lots of inflatables! A BBQ lunch is available for purchase.

O.P.P. and POLICING: For emergencies call 911

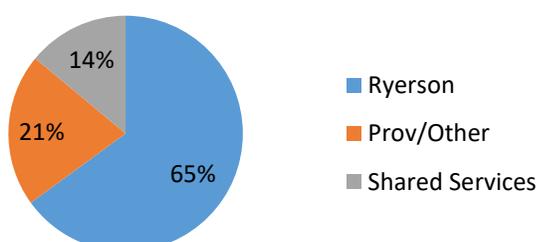
To report suspicious activity or non-urgent requests for police assistance, please call 1-888-310-1122. To remain anonymous, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS)

ROAD DEPARTMENT: Contact: 705-382-3822. There will be significant ongoing road improvements on Midlothian Road. Regular culvert and gravel maintenance operations will be performed in several additional locations throughout the Township. Details about potential road closures or delays will be posted on the Municipal website.

The Township is registered for **TAX PAYMENTS** with the following banks - if you wish to pay by Internet or telephone banking: Canada Trust/TD, Scotia, Montreal, CIBC, Credit Union Central and Tangerine. We are not registered with the banks for over the counter or bank machine payments. Please note a \$25.00 charge will apply to items returned by the bank. **Note:** Please ensure that we have your **proper mailing address** and if you are on a rural route the address **must** include your civic address (911 #).

Council has deliberated the 2018 BUDGET resulting in an overall tax levy (budget) increase of **3.5%**. The total budget is \$3,842,618. The chart below gives a breakdown of 2018 expenditures. The effect on individual properties will vary depending on increases in assessment. Copies of the 2017 Financial Statements are available at the Municipal Office at no cost to any ratepayer or resident of the Municipality and are posted on the web site.

PROPORTION OF TOTAL NET EXPENDITURES



BREAKDOWN OF RYERSON'S 65%

