

Municipal Tax Bill

The **2017 Interim Tax Bill** is payable in one installment on:

February 23, 2017

Reprints are available for a \$5.00 charge.

Interest penalty of 1.25% per month will be charged on all overdue tax installments on the first day of each month until paid in full.

Optional Payment Methods: for Tax and Water Bills:

Cheque, Cash, Debit (Interac), Pre authorized Payment Plan and Online/Telephone Banking.

Supplemental/Omitted Assessment:

Any improvements and/or change of use to your property in the past two or three years may result in tax bill(s) issued in addition to your regular interim and final property tax bill(s).

Address/Ownership Changes: (Tax/Water Bills)

If you have changed your mailing address, please advise the municipality in writing. Email: taxes@hamiltontownship.ca

MPAC four-year assessment cycle:
For more information Visit:
www.mpac.ca or 1-800-474-1224

Pre-Authorized Tax Payment Plans:

Over **1,000** properties are already enrolled!

There are two plans:

1. Ten monthly payments deducted from February to November, and
2. Three payments deducted on the installment due dates.

There are no set-up charges or administration fees.



Library Services

Hours of Operation

(see the [Library Website](#) for summer hours)

Cobourg Public Library

Mon. to Wed. - 10 am to 8 pm
Thur. to Sat. - 10 am to 5 pm
Sun. – 1 pm to 5 pm

Gores Landing Branch

Tue. - 3 pm to 7 pm
Sat. - 12 noon to 4 pm

Bewdley Branch

Wed. - 3 pm to 6 pm
Thur. - 6 pm to 9 pm
Fri. - 9 am to 12 noon
Sat. - 10 am to 2 pm

View the Library web-site “events calendar” for all the various programs at Gores Landing & Bewdley
www.cobourglibrary.ca

Township of Hamilton Contact Information

In person: 8285 Majestic Hills Dr.
Phone: 905-342-2810
Email: info@hamiltontownship.ca
Web site: www.hamiltontownship.ca
Fax: 905-342-2818

Phone Extensions

Staff

Taxes: 104 or 102
Public Works: 109 or 105
Planning: 106
Building: 125
Clerk: 110
Emergency Services: 137

Council

Mark Lovshin 905-885-4048
Gary Woods 905-372-2758
Scott Jibb 905-342-3788
Bill Cane 905-372-5599
Pat McCourt 905-342-3101

Council Meeting Schedule

2nd Tuesday of the month,

Council Committee of the Whole (COW) – 1 pm

Committee of Adjustment (C of A) – 2 pm

3rd Tuesday of the month,

Regular Council – 1 pm

Meetings are held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building at 8285 Majestic Hills Drive, Camborne ON. All meetings can be viewed on the Township web-site.



Township of Hamilton 2017 Winter Newsletter

Our Vision

A thriving community recognized for its leadership and sustainable growth, promoting a safe active and healthy environment.

Our Mission

To provide professional and cost effective service for Township residents and visitors, to maximize social and economic development while creating an active and sustainable environment.

Mayor's Message

I am very happy to bring greetings from Council and staff to update you on a number of exciting activities in Hamilton Township, especially in this 150th Year of Canada's Confederation.

Last year was very busy. We approved two budgets, one for 2016 in the early Spring, and then we moved the cycle forward and approved the **2017 budget** in December with a **2.27 % increase, or \$168,252** over 2016.

With our **2020 Strategic Plan** in place, we are pursuing the Strategic Directions for the Township. We continue to look for efficiency of operations, savings opportunities, improving communications and customer service.

Council has been able to secure funds for several roads projects and for longer-term capital items, to ensure we have the equipment in place for our employees now and in the future. Council also targeted money for health and safety priorities - Policing, Fire and Recreation services - and for other initiatives, such as local community and heritage projects, the library, as well as supporting physician recruitment in Northumberland. More details on the budget are posted on our website.

In 2016, we completed the installation of playground equipment and accessible parking at **Buttersfield Park**. This year we are looking at other park improvements – to help improve the enjoyment of facilities in our community.

This Spring we will be promoting and participating in the **Mayor's Clean up Challenge**. It really helps to remove the tonnes of garbage to improve the appearance of the Township. Thank you to those who participated in this worthwhile event last year and we look forward to this year's event!

Our staff are working on organizing and co-ordinating various **Canada 150 activities and events**. We are looking at the success of our **Open House held last October in Baltimore**, during Local Government Week to help us plan events this year.

If you have any questions you would like to raise, or ideas you would like to discuss, please feel free to contact me, or any member of council. We always welcome your feedback and participation to help make a better community and government.

Please have an enjoyable and safe Winter and Spring!

Mark Lovshin
Mayor Mark Lovshin

This document is available in an alternate format upon request.

Permits & By-Laws

Animal Control

Remember to get your 2017 Dog Tag. Available at the Municipal Animal Services Office and the Municipal Office.

Building Permits

Thinking of a Building or a Construction project? Contact our Building Department about a building permit - avoid delays, additional fees and possible legal action.

Burn Permits

You must obtain a permit to set an open fire. Permits available at the Municipal Office.

Fire Ban

Recreational fires and controlled burns are prohibited when a Fire Ban has been issued.

Noxious Weeds

For private property noxious weed complaints, contact the County of Northumberland Weed Inspector 905-372-3329 ext.0.

Parking By-Law

Regulates vehicular parking within the Municipality.

Pools/Fence

All pools with the capacity to hold 24 inches or more of water require a permit from the Township.

Property Standards- By-Law

Prescribes standards for the maintenance and occupancy of all property.

Site Alteration- By-Law

Permits are required, prior to commencing work.

2017 Budget

The 2017 Municipal Budget was approved at the Regular Council session on Tuesday, December 20, 2016.

Attached is a breakdown for your review. The budget increase of 2.27% raising an additional \$168,252. Staff and Council worked together towards a 2017 budget that: Maintains or expands services to the ratepayers of Hamilton Township by;
-increasing library hours
-increasing recreational services through lighting at the Harwood dock and other service
-is reflective of public input received at the November 30 Public Working Budget Open House.

Capital Budget highlights include:

- An increase of \$85,000 to roads work over 2016.
- Replacement of a 20-year-old Fire Pumper, as per replacement schedule.
- Replacement of a 17 year old Dump Truck, as per replacement schedule.
- Rework of the Bewdley Community Centre roof to extend the life expectancy by 15+ years.
- Replacement of the dehumidification system at the Baltimore Community Centre.

We would like to thank the careful planning of all our department heads and their staff to assist in this lengthy and detailed process.