

APRIL 2016

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Waste /Disposal News

Landfill Site Hours of Operation:

April 2, 2016 to November 2, 2016

Both Airy Landfill Site located at 462 Nipissing Rd. in Whitney and Lyell Landfill Site located at 6319 Hwy. 523 in Madawaska are open:

***Wednesday 2:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.**

***Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (noon)**

***Spring Clean-up Saturdays 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.**

April 23 – June 11

***Sunday May 1, 2016 to Oct. 9, 2016 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

Re-use Area –Whitney will soon be getting a container where items suitable for re-use may be placed.

Hay Lake

The Tuesday Hay Lake area roadside collection will begin again on May 3, 2016 until October 18, 2016.

Aylen Lake

The waste collection truck will be located at the Aylen Lake Public Boat Launch from May 1st to October 16th from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. (When Monday is a holiday, pickup will be on Monday and not Sunday of that week).

Waste Collection Calendar – Please refer to the Waste Collection Calendar for any changes in the waste collection schedule.

****The time of your roadside pick-up could be anytime between 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on your scheduled day. ****

911

9-1-1 NOW AVAILABLE IN THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ALGONQUIN

When to call 9-1-1

Call 9-1-1 to:

- Stop a crime
- Report a fire
- Save a life
- In any EMERGENCY situation whenever police, fire or ambulance assistance is required IMMEDIATELY.

Mill Street and First Avenue

A hot mix paving & drainage improvement project is scheduled to begin May 16, 2016. The project has been made possible for the Township through the Canada Gas Tax Revenues and Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF).

Building/Septic

As your Chief Building Official/ By-Law Enforcement Officer, I would like to welcome anyone who wishes any information relating to Building or By-law to contact me. I would be more than happy to answer questions with professionalism and honesty.

I would also like to remind people that a Building Permit is required for any structure over 10 square meters (108 sq./ft.). This size does not include a structure that is being attached to any other structure.

I am here to assist the residents and contractors in the Township of South Algonquin and would be glad to answer any questions that may arise related to building permits, design builds, septic permits, demolition permits or by-laws.

I am in the office on Tuesdays and Thursdays and can be contacted at 613-637-2650 ext. 206 or you can contact Tracy Cannon to schedule an appointment, inspection or site visit at 613-637-2650 ext. 203 Monday- Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. or email: building@southalgonquin.ca

Mike Anderson Chief Building Official/By-Law Enforcement Officer.

Council

MAYOR

Jane Dumas

613-637-5261 (H) 613-332-8357(C)

mayor@southalgonquin.ca

COUNCILLORS

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dave@southalgonquin.ca

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john@southalgonquin.ca

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Joe Florent 613-637-2139

joe@southalgonquin.ca

Sabine Ward(05)

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richard@southalgonquin.ca

General Contact Information

Municipal Office Open Monday – Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. The office is closed on **All Statutory Holidays** – and will be closed on May 23rd.

Township of South Algonquin

Municipal Office..... (613) 637-2650

Works Garage (Madawaska)..... (613) 637-5343

Township of South Algonquin Recreation Facilities

Madawaska Complex. (613) 637-1109

Lester B. Smith Bldg.. (613) 637-9963

To rent a facility for any event, including funerals, contact Carla at (613)637-2650 ext. 200

Raffle Lotteries

Council passed a resolution on April 21st changing the price of lottery licences. Instead of 3% of the total value of prizes, all licence fees will now be \$5.00.

A raffle lottery is a scheme where tickets are sold for a chance to win a prize in a draw and includes 50/50 draws, elimination draws and calendar draws. All raffles must be licensed regardless of the size of the prize.

Applications for licences can be picked up at the municipal office.

Whitney Seniors New Outlook

MOTHER'S DAY POT LUCK DINNER -

Monday, May 9th, 5:00p.m social hour, 6 pm dinner

SENIORS MONTH CELEBRATION LUNCH -

Monday, June 13th at noon.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME - please contact

Theresa Kramer at 613 637-2644.

For those that are a member a reminder to renew your membership for the April 2016 to March 31st 2017 season.

THANK YOU to all who helped with or participated in our Trivia Fundraiser with proceeds going to local hospital foundations in Barry's Bay and Bancroft.

ACTIVITIES:

Shuffleboard: Monday and Wednesday 1:15 p.m.

Euchre: Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

Aerobics: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10:30 a.m.

Games Night: 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Everyone Welcome.

Emergency Contacts

Ambulance, Police and Fire: 9-1-1

Township of South Algonquin Fire Dept. - Whitney Station for residents in Airy and Sabine Wards and the West side of Lyell Ward, North McKenzie Lake Rd.
Non-Emergency Calls Contact

- Chief, John Stubbs..... (613) 637-5555 or cell (613) 334-2629.

Township of South Algonquin Fire Dept. –

Madawaska Station for residents in Dickens and Murchison Wards and the east side of Lyell Ward, Hwy. #523

Non-Emergency Calls Contact

- Chief, Aurel Thom.....(613) 637-5533 or cell (613) 334-5018.

Hospitals:

- St. Francis Memorial Hospital (Barry's Bay)..... (613) 756-3044
- North Hastings District Hospital (Bancroft)..... (613) 332-2825
- Whitney Medical Centre.....(613) 637-2170

Community Emergency Management Coordinator:

- Brian Ackney. (613) 334-2072

Canine Control:

- Township of South Algonquin Animal Control..... (613) 637-2650 ext. 203 or 205

Road Conditions:-Township of South Algonquin

- Roads Dept..... (613) 637-2650 ext. 203 or 205 or (613) 334-5447

Library

Whitney Public Library

613-637-5471

Tuesday 5:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Thursday 5:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

E-Books are now available, free of charge to the residents of South Algonquin. Please visit either branch of the Library for more information. Wi-Fi access is available at both branches during open hours. Do you or someone you know have difficulties using regular print books? Print disabilities can be a learning, physical or visual disability that can prevent someone from reading conventional print. Thanks to CELA (previously CNIB) your library has daisy readers and 100's of books on CD titles. We also can access descriptive videos and e-books through the Book Share program for people that qualify. We are seeking new board members and volunteers from South Algonquin. If you are interested in literacy and making a difference in your community, please contact Charlene at the Whitney branch 613-637-5471. Please visit our website: <http://www.olsn.ca/southalgonquin/>

Madawaska Public Library

613-637-1099

Monday 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Thursday 12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Reminder: anyone under the age of 10 must be supervised by a parent or guardian.

Medical Centre

27 Medical Centre Road

613-637-2170 Whitney, ON KOJ 2M0

Regular Office Hours for the Medical Centre are:

Monday	9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Tuesday	9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Thursday	9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Friday	9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Please remember that we continue to accept new patients. Please call our administrator Jim Etmanski if you need assistance to enroll with our Family Health Team.

Future Directions Survey 2016

The Township of South Algonquin invites all permanent and seasonal residents to become part of the planning process for the future of your community by completing a "Future Directions Survey 2016". Your participation in this survey will ensure that the resulting plan will be a true reflection of what you have identified as both issues and opportunities for the future of South Algonquin. All results are confidential and will be reported in total numbers with no identifiable individuals or organizations. The results will form part of the Future Directions Strategy which will be finalized early in the fall of 2016.

The community consultation will continue with two public meetings on May 18 and June 6, in each of Madawaska (4:30 pm to 6:00 pm at the Madawaska Complex, 26A Major Lake Rd.) and Whitney (7:00 pm to 8:30 pm at the Lester Smith Building, 32 Hay Creek Rd.) The May 18 meetings will focus on how we can build on the assets South Algonquin already has, and the creation of Mission and Vision Statements to guide us. The June 6 meetings will use the ideas collected at the first meetings, information from focus groups conducted with the assistance of Brock University, and the preliminary results from this survey, together with input from attendees, to develop a Future Directions Action Plan for moving forward.

Your input is valuable. Thank you for taking the time to complete the survey on-line or on paper copy. Blank surveys and drop boxes for completed forms can be found at the Township office and other locations in both Whitney and Madawaska. The deadline for completing the survey on-line or completing a paper copy is May 31, 2016. This survey can be completed on-line by visiting

www.southalgonquin.ca
and clicking on this image



Recreation News

Whitney Recreation

BALL HOCKEY - Monday nights 6:30 p.m. weather permitting.

CHICKEN AND RIB DINNER - May 22. Limited tickets at Charbonneau's Freshmart until they are gone.

CANADA DAY IN WHITNEY - July 1, 2, 3, 2016. To register a ball team call Erma at 613- 332- 8899.

***Bouncy Castle** will be set up Saturday July 2nd 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Free for all kids.

***Fireworks** July 1st at dark.

***Dance** after the fireworks at the outdoor rink. The dance will be indoors if it rains.

***BBQ and beer gardens** all weekend at the ball diamond.

Murchison & Lyell Recreation

SOCIAL GATHERING- Tuesday April 26th, 2016 – 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Adults only. Please join us at the Madawaska Complex. Badminton, knitting, crocheting, ring toss, board games or whatever... Invite a friend. Everyone is welcome. For more information please contact Yvonne at 613-637-5240.

CANADA DAY CELEBRATIONS / GRAND OPENING OF J. R. BOOTH MEMORIAL

PARK Our Canada Day celebrations will be at the J.R. Booth Memorial Park this year. There will be "Face Painting" and lots of fun and games for young and not so young. A BBQ supper will be available for a nominal fee including hamburgers, chicken burgers, hotdogs and beverages. After the BBQ, there will be more games to participate in. Fireworks will begin when it's dark enough. Come and check out our new park!! Watch for posters to be posted around the community for all other activities our committee is planning.

ADULT POT LUCK DINNERS 6:00 p.m. on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at the Madawaska Complex. Come join the regulars, meet others from the Township, make new friends and perhaps renew some old acquaintances. It's a relaxing social evening with good food and good company.

RECREATION MEETINGS are open to the public and are the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm in the Madawaska Complex. If you have ideas that you would like to share or if you want to be included on the Agenda, please call Sharon (613-637-2139) or Terry (613-637-5341) at least one week in advance in order to be included on the Agenda. The Agenda is posted one week prior to the meeting. Volunteers are always needed; there is no cost for the Police Check if you are a volunteer. Forms may be picked up at the Township Office. We welcome community input and would like to provide recreational activities that you want.

2016 Budget

The 2016 Budget was approved on April 21, 2016 by By-Law 16-502. The 2016 municipal tax rate for residential tax class will increase 4% to 0.00804193; however, the education rate has decreased so the overall residential tax rate increase is 2.5%. The other significant factor that affects your property tax bill is the current value assessment (CVA). This is the last year for the phase-in to the 2012 CVA. Therefore, for 2017, all properties will have new assessments using the 2016 CVA's. As per Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC), your 2016 Property Assessment Notice informing you of your 2016 CVA will be mailed on April 25, 2016. Preliminary figures show that there is a decrease in assessments for our Township. Some key points from the budget process include:

- decrease of \$85,596 in revenues received through provincial levies
- increase of \$58,239 in levies paid to the province (of which 93% relates to OPP costs)
- to cover the above cash shortfall of \$143,835, would need to increase municipal tax rates by 7%
- insignificant amount of assessment growth (0.1%) with no increase in tax rates for two years and a decrease prior
- strategic and long-term project planning
- dedication of reserve funds for projects and asset management throughout the municipality

A copy of the 2016 Budget Summary and a detailed presentation are available on the website www.southalgonquin.ca. The final tax bill for 2016 will be sent out in early August with due dates of August 31, 2016 and October 31, 2016.

Emergency Management

72 Hours: Is Your Family Prepared? If an emergency happens, it may take emergency workers some time to reach you. You should be prepared to take care of yourself and your family for a minimum of 72 hours. It is quick and easy to become better prepared to face a range of emergencies-anytime, anywhere. Kit should contain:

- Non-perishable food
- Manual can opener
- Bottled water (4L per person, per day)
- Flashlight (with batteries or crank flashlight)
- Radio (with batteries or crank radio)
- Candles and matches/lighter
- First-aid kit
- Whistle
- Clothing and footwear
- Blankets or sleeping bags
- Toilet paper and other personal items
- Extra keys and cash
- Important papers (identification and insurance)
- Playing cards

Fire Department

WHITNEY FIREMAN'S ASSOCIATION

MOTHER'S DAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST -

St. Martin of Tours Church Hall, Sunday May 8th
7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Cost: Adults \$10.00 Children under 12 \$5.00.
Children under 5 free. Will have smoke and CO2 alarms for sale.

ALARMS SAVE LIVES - Smoke, CO2 and Combo units for sale through the fire departments.

Combo \$ 37.00, CO2 \$28.00 and Smoke \$20.00 tax included.

NOTE FROM THE CHIEFS:

*Emergency Personal Use Green Flashing Lights- Please Pull over and give them way, in an emergency seconds count.

*Smoke and CO2 alarms are Mandatory by Law. Are yours working?

*Have you changed your batteries this year?

*Please take note of April 1st to October 31st burning restrictions as per By-Law 02-153.

*Accepting applications for volunteers.

Contact Information:

Madawaska Fire Chief Aurel Thom 613-334-5018.

Madawaska Deputy Fire Chief Andy Aleck 613-334-1266.

Whitney Fire Chief John Stubbs 613-334-2629.

Whitney Deputy Fire Chief Marvin Sydock 613-637-2867.

Animal Control

Dog Tags - Residents of the Township of South Algonquin who own or harbour dogs are required by **BY-LAW #12-430** to purchase a DOG TAG for each animal they are responsible for. Dog Tags purchased are valid for the lifetime of your dog. Tags are available at the Municipal Office for \$10.00. Replacement tags are \$5.00.

Please be a Considerate and Responsible Dog Owner

and keep dogs on a leash and in control by a competent person when off your property. They are to be deterred from running on the private property of other residents.

REMINDER:

IF A CAPTURED DOG IS WEARING A DOG TAG AN ATTEMPT WILL BE MADE TO RETURN THE DOG TO IT'S OWNER ONCE. IF IT IS NOT WEARING A TAG, IT WILL BE TAKEN TO THE KENNEL FACILITY IN BONNECHERE VALLEY.

Fees to have a dog released from this facility can range between \$200.00 to \$300.00, plus any incurred costs. These fees must be paid at the Township Office prior to the release of the animal.