

Come Celebrate with Us!

PERTH SOUTH 10TH ANNIVERSARY – 1998-2008

On **Sunday, September 7, 2008**, the Council and Staff of the Township of Perth South invites you to join in celebrating the 10th Anniversary since the amalgamation of the Township of Blanshard and the Township of Downie.

Plan to attend the celebrations at the Wildwood Conservation Park Pavilion from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on September 7th. There will be entertainment, children's activities, and light refreshments provided. **Hope to see you there!**

Did You Know...

HWY. 7 AND 8 MAY BE RE-ROUTED THROUGH PERTH SOUTH

The Ministry of Transportation has initiated a Highway 7 and 8 Transportation Corridor Planning and Class Environmental Assessment Study, from Greater Stratford to the New Hamburg Area.

One of the alternatives being considered is a re-routing of the current highway corridor through some areas of Perth South. To obtain more information on the proposed alternatives, check out the website at www.7and8corridorstudy.ca.

Tell Us What you Think... Your Opinion Counts!

Since the last municipal election in 2006, concerns have been expressed by some members of the community regarding the current structure of the Township Council. Thus, the Perth South Council is considering changing the **size and composition of the Council** in order to better balance the interests of the ratepayers and construct an electoral structure that continues to support sound municipal government.

As well, the Council would like to seek your input before deciding which **strategic priorities, projects or programs** will be undertaken by the Township during the rest of this Council term.

All interested parties are invited to attend an Open House and Public Meeting on **Tuesday, October 21, 2008** at 8:00 p.m. to provide your comments regarding strategic priorities and the following possible electoral scenarios:

Position	Option #1 (Status Quo)	Option #2	Option #3	Option #4
Reeve	Elected at-large	Elected at-large	Elected at-large	Elected at-large
Deputy Reeve	Selected by Council Members	Elected at-large	Selected by Council Members	Elected at-large
Blanshard Ward Councillors	3 to be Elected by Blanshard Ward Electors	3 to be Elected by Blanshard Ward Electors	3 to be Elected by All Electors	2 to be Elected by Blanshard Ward Electors
Downie Ward Councillors	3 to be Elected by Downie Ward Electors	3 to be Elected by Downie Ward Electors	3 to be Elected by All Electors	2 to be Elected by Downie Ward Electors
At-Large Councillor	N/A	N/A	N/A	1 to be Elected at-large
Total Number of Council Members	7 Council Members	8 Council Members	7 Council Members	7 Council Members

OPEN AIR BURNING

Open air burning is regulated within the Township. There are different rules regarding burning in our urban and rural areas.

Open air burning can only be conducted with approval of the Chief Fire Official and in accordance with the conditions set out in the Controlled Burn Permit for Open Air Burning. For more information regarding **open air burning regulations**, visit the Township website at www.perthsouth.ca.

2007 MUNICIPAL PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT INFORMATION REPORTING CATEGORIES

General Government

1. Operating costs for governance and corporate management as a percentage of total municipal operating costs – 2,859,010/370,370 = 12.96%

Fire

2. Operating costs for fire services per \$1,000 of assessment.
Perth East Fire Area - 0.46
St. Marys Fire Area - 0.29
Blanshard-Biddulph - 0.38

Police

3. Operating costs for police services per household: - \$384.02
4. Violent crime rate per 1,000 persons – 5/1000
5. Property crime rate per 1,000 persons – 28.5/1000
(Criminal Code offences, excluding traffic)
6. Total crime rate per 1,000 persons – 35/1000
7. Number of youths charged per 1,000 youths – 2.75/1000

Roadways

8. Operating costs for paved (hard top) roads per lane kilometre - \$ 263.32
9. Operating costs for unpaved (loose top) roads per lane kilometre - \$1,203.94
10. Operating costs for winter maintenance of roadways per lane kilometre maintained in winter - \$ 377.80
11. Percentage of paved lane kilometres rated as good to very good - 66%
12. Percentage of winter event responses that met or exceeded municipal road maintenance standards – 100%

Drinking Water

13. Operating costs for the treatment and distribution of drinking water per megalitre (Integrated System): Black Creek Estates - \$2,103.96; St. Pauls Water System - \$3,000.59.
14. Weighted number of days when a boil water advisory issued by the Medical Officer of Health, applicable to a municipal water supply, was in effect - 0/365
15. Number of water main breaks per 100 kilometres of water distribution pipe in a year: - 0

Solid Waste Management (Garbage)

16. Operating costs for garbage collection per household: \$22.68
17. Operating costs for garbage disposal per household: \$76.69
18. Operating costs for solid waste diversion (recycling) per household: \$36.75
19. Average operating costs for solid waste management (collection, disposal and diversion) per household: \$136.12
20. Number of complaints received in a year concerning the collection of garbage and recycled materials per 1000 households: 10.7
21. Total number of solid waste management sites owned by the municipality with a Ministry of Environment Certificate of Approval - 2
22. Number of days per year when a Ministry of Environment compliance order for remediation concerning an air or groundwater standard was in effect for a municipally owned solid waste management facility, by facility: 0
23. Percentage of residential solid waste diverted for recycling: 55.6%
24. Percentage of residential solid waste diverted for recycling (based on combined residential and ICI tonnage) 55.6%

Parks and Recreation

25. Operating costs for parks per person: \$2.73
26. Operation costs for recreation programs per person: \$3.06
27. Operating costs for parks, recreation programs and recreation facilities (subtotal): \$79,917.61

Library Services

28. Operating costs for libraries per person - \$10.39

Land-Use Planning

29. Percentage of new residential units located within settlement areas - 0/0= 00.00%
30. Percentage of land designated for agricultural purposes which was not re-designated for other uses during 2007: 99.99%
31. Percentage of land designated for agricultural purposes which was not re-designated for other uses relative to the base year of 2000: 99.69%
32. Number of hectares of land originally designated for agricultural purposes which was re-designated for other uses during 2007: 3.15 hectares
33. Number of hectares of land originally designated for agricultural purposes which was re-designated for other uses since January 1, 2000: 121.44 hectares