Council Communiqué



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Dog Tags help us find our way home!

Voting Day is Monday, October 27, 2014



Purchase Your Dog Tag By March 31

The Municipality of Tweed has a by-law for the licencing & regulating of dogs.

By-Law No. 2014-07 requires that every owner of a dog register & licence their dog each year.

Why do I need a dog tag?

Not only does purchasing a dog tag mean you are complying with the Municipality's by-law, a dog tag also ensures that your dog can be tracked to you if it is lost or goes missing. The Municipality keeps a record of all dog tags sold, including the owner's name & address. The number on the tag can be traced back to the owner if a lost dog is found.

How much does a dog tag cost?

Tags are **\$15.00** per dog until March 31st. Price increases to **\$45.00** per dog on April 1st.

Where can I buy my dog tag?

Dog tags are available in the Municipal Office at 255 Metcalf Street, Tweed.



What about door-to-door sales?

Animal Control will be carrying out door-to-door dog tag sales in the spring. The late fee will apply to all dog tags sold during the door-to-door campaign -\$45.00 per dog.

Is there a fine for not getting a dog tag?

Yes - the by-law does include a fine for not having a current dog tag affixed.

What if I have more than one dog?

The by-law permits up to three (3) dogs at any one residence. A kennel licence is required for more than three dogs, and kennel licences are not permitted in the Village or Hamlets, or on any Rural Residential zoned properties. The Animal Control Officer issues all kennel licences.

How do I contact Animal Control?

The phone number for the Animal Control Officer is 613-478-3547. The Tweed Animal Shelter is located at 139 Allore Road in Stoco.

Where can I get a copy of By-Law No. 2014-07?

A copy of the by-law pertaining to the licencing & regulating of dogs is available from the Municipal Office or from the Municipal website at www.tweed.ca.



2014 Is A Municipal Election Year

All municipalities in Ontario will be holding elections for local Council & School Board positions. The Municipality of Tweed will hold a municipal election for the following: *Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Councillors (3)*; and School Board Trustees for English Public, English Separate, French Public & French Separate.

The **Nomination Period** began on January 2nd. Any

qualified elector is eligible to be a candidate. A *Nomination Form* must be filed in the office of the Clerk & the applicable *Nomination Fee* must be paid before declaring candidacy & campaigning for office.

Nomination Forms & Guides for Candidates are available at the

Municipal Office, from the Municipal website at www.tweed.ca & from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs at www.mah.gov.on.ca.
Visit www.amo.on.ca for details on the online course:
"So you want to run for Council?".

Tweed will use vote-by-mail for the 2014 Municipal Election.

Fire Burning Regulations:

No fires shall be set out of doors between the hours of 7 am & 7 pm between April 1st & October 31st each year.

Any fire set out of doors after 7 pm must be extinguished by 7 am the following day.

Burning is allowed in the rural areas & hamlets from November 1st to March 31st each year at any time without a Burning Permit, however, current burning conditions should be verified with the Fire Chief before commencing any burning.

Burning of small piles of leaves is allowed in the Village of Tweed from September 15th to November 30th each year only between 7 pm & 7 am.

Otherwise there is no out of doors burning allowed in the Village of Tweed.

No fire set out of doors shall permit more than one cubic metre of material to be burned at one time; no fire shall be greater than one-tenth hectare in surface area.

All out of doors burning may be cancelled at any time by the Fire Chief or his/her designate.

Upon application, the Fire Chief may issue Burning Permits for daytime burning during the restricted periods.

Everyone who starts a fire out of doors shall ensure that adequate personnel, equipment & water are available and, before leaving, extinguish all remaining fire.

Every person who contravenes any part of the Fire By-Law shall be liable for the full costs of extinguishing the fire.

Failure to comply may also result in a conviction with a minimum fine of \$200.00.

A copy of the Fire By-Law is available from the Municipal Office or Municipal website.

Contact the Fire Chief at 613-478-2535 for further information.

New Weigh Scales at Stoco Waste Site

New weigh scales are in place at the Marlbank Road Waste Site. The weigh scales ensure the appropriate fees are paid for the disposal of bulk items - the costs of removing these bulk items from the waste site is covered by these disposal fees.

The removal of bulk items from the waste site is one of the important initiatives undertaken in the past few years to improve site efficiencies & extend the useful life of the site.

Bulk items are weighed & charged according to weight:

Electronics (televisions, computers, etc.)
<u>No Charge</u>

Metal Household Appliances (placed in scrap metal area) No Charge

Bulk Items (brush, furniture, painted lumber, construction debris, etc.) \$130.00 per ton \$20.00 minimum charge





New Payment Option



NEW THIS YEAR -

Pre-authorized monthly payments for taxes and water & sewer billings.

Contact the Municipal Office for details on how to enroll for monthly preauthorized payments directly from your chequing account.

You will be required to complete the appropriate form & attach a *VOID* cheque.

Other Payment Options:

In person at the Municipal Office by cash, cheque or debit card;

By mail to Postal Bag 729, Tweed, ON KoK 3J0;

By internet or telephone banking through your financial institution. Look for *'Tweed, Municipality of'* in their list of payees; and

By pre-authorized payments on billing due dates.

Reasons To Stay Connected

Information on all aspects of life in the Municipality of Tweed is posted on our Municipal website daily at **www.tweed.ca**.

Council & Municipal staff utilize the website to advise of the following:

- Coming Events
- Council Meetings & Agendas
- Committee Meetings & Agendas

- Zoning Notices
- Municipal Budgets & Financial Statements
- Current Fees & Charges for Municipal Services
- Council & Committee Meeting Minutes
- Business Directory
- Community Development & Promotion
- Emergency Management

- Public Works & Waste Site Information
- Recreation Programs
- Election InformationMunicipal Contact
- InformationLinks to other valuable government sites.





