# McDougall SEST. 1872

#### Summer 2022 Newsletter

#### Municipal Office Monday - Friday 8am – 4pm Phone 705-342-5252 Fax 705-342-5573 5 Barager Blvd. McDougall, ON P2A 2W9

#### **Transfer Station**

Monday/Tuesday/Saturday
8am – 4pm
Wednesday/Thursday
Closed
Friday 8am - 8pm
Sunday 12pm - 8pm
Phone 705-746-1419

#### **Landfill Site**

May 1<sup>st</sup> - Thanksgiving
Monday - Friday 8am - 4pm
Saturday 9am -1pm
Sunday Closed
Thanksgiving – April 30th
Monday - Friday 8am -4pm
1<sup>st</sup> Sat of each month
9am -1pm
Sunday Closed
Phone 705-746-7170

#### Assessment Inquiries

Questions about your assessment? Call MPAC 1-877-487-5448

Mayor and Council Phone 705-342-5252

Mayor
Dale Robinson
Deputy Mayor
Joel Constable
Councilors
Lynne Gregory
Lewis Malott

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Joe Ryman



#### A MESSAGE FROM MAYOR ROBINSON:

Welcome to the summer of 2022 in McDougall! It has been quite a year of challenges for all of us and I hope this message finds you all well. After budgeting for no tax increase in 2021, council approved a budget in 2022 under 4%. This is well under the current rate of inflation and while council would have liked to keep it lower, the rising costs of everything had to be dealt with. New construction throughout the municipality is great to see. With many new homes and upgrades to existing homes, McDougall is definitely proving to be the most desirable place to live. On a monthly basis, we are approving new lot creations to allow for growth in a properly monitored fashion. We are currently undergoing a public review of our Official Plan. Thank you to those of you who have already participated. There is still lots of time for others to have your say.

By the time you are reading this message our paving upgrades to Bell Lake Road, McDougall Road and Lorimer Lake Road will be complete. Renovations to the Nobel Recreation Hall (former Nobel United Church) are underway and this facility will soon be available for community events. This will be a great addition to complement the existing facilities throughout the Township. I would like to thank the McDougall staff for the great efforts that they have demonstrated throughout these challenging times to maintain and improve the services that we provide to you as ratepayers. Our office and facilities have been open to you far more than most municipalities due to their dedication while still following safe health protocols. On behalf of McDougall council, enjoy your summer with friends and family.

Dale Robinson, Mayor

The McDougall Victoria Day Fireworks show has been taking place for 50 years and after a 2 year hiatus, returned in 2022 with a bang. Celebrating the Municipality of McDougall's 150th birthday, the show was a great success due to hard work by our staff and volunteers and the great work performed by Pyroworld. We thank everyone who attended the display and look forward to another 50 more years of the great tradition.



#### STAY IN THE KNOW!

Get the latest news and events by subscribing to our e-newsletter.

Visit <a href="www.mcdougall.ca">www.mcdougall.ca</a> and click on the link at the bottom of the page to sign up.

### ELECTRONIC WASTE DROP-OFF

Electronic waste is no longer being collected at the McDougall Rd Landfill. Please bring these items to the Transfer Station for recycling.



#### **BURNING PERMIT CHANGES**

As of June 2022, evening burning (2 hours before sunset until 2 hours after sunrise) no longer requires a permit, provided the fire danger rating is low or moderate and the fire does not exceed 2 meters in diameter or 2 meters in height. Open-air evening burning is not allowed when the fire danger rating is high or extreme.

A permit to burn anytime during daytime hours is required year round in McDougall and is only issued by the Fire Chief. The application for a day burning permit can be found on the website or can be picked up in the municipal office. Once completed it should be emailed to <a href="mailto:pshoebottom@mcdougall.ca">pshoebottom@mcdougall.ca</a>. The Fire Chief will review the application and send it back to you. If you need to obtain a hard copy of the burn permit you can obtain one at the municipal office. There are no fees to obtain a burn permit.

For more information about open air burning and fire permits, please review By-law 2022-40.

Fire Danger Ratings are displayed on the Municipal Website and on signs located at the entrance to Municipal Drive, in front of the municipal office, in front of Fire Station #2 in Waubamik and at the entrance to Nine Mile Lake.

#### 2022 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Municipal council and school board elections will take place on **Monday**, **October 24**, **2022**.

You need to be on the voter's list to vote in a municipal council or school board election. Find out if you are on the list to vote at <a href="voterlookup.ca">voterlookup.ca</a>.

If you are interested in running for office, the deadline to file a nomination to be a council or school trustee candidate is Friday, August 19, 2022 at 2 p.m. Nomination Papers can be obtained from the Clerk at the Municipal office. For more details, please see the municipal website.

2022 ONTARIO MUNICIPAL AND SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

ON THE LIST TO VOTE? HAVE YOUR SAY!



Visit VoterLookup.ca





#### BUILDING REQUIREMENTS

Keep in mind there are several small construction projects that require a permit through the Building Department. Some examples include:

- Decks (anything over 108 sq. ft., or smaller if attached to another building)
- •Docks (any dock over 108 sq. ft.)
- Most buildings over 108 sq.ft. & all buildings containing plumbing
  Renovations (dependent on

•Renovations (dependent or scale of project)

Please note that even if your small project does not require a permit, it must still conform to the current by-law provisions for the zoning on your lot (setbacks, lot coverage, etc.).

Permits for small projects are relatively inexpensive and keep the development on your property legal, giving you piece of mind for today and the future.

For your convenience, McDougall now uses Cloud Permit for building permit application submissions. Please visit our website to learn more about Building & Renovating in McDougall.



#### **PAYMENT OPTIONS**

The Municipality no longer accepts in-office credit card payments for tax and/or utility bills. We continue to accept debit, cash & cheque payments in the office.

Credit card payments for taxes or utility bills may only be made online using Pay Simply. Visit their website at <a href="https://www.paysimply.ca">www.paysimply.ca</a>. You will be required to have your roll number to complete tax payments. Your roll

number can be found on your tax bill and will begin with the number 4931. You must enter all 19 digits, without the

decimal for the system to accept your account number. For utility payments online with a credit card, you will need your account number, which is located on your utility bill.

Building Permit & Landfill payments can be made in the office by cheque, cash or debit.

For more information please call the Municipal Office 705-342-5252.

## REMINDER REGARDING MUNICIPAL PERMITS

You must have a 2022 red sticker fixed to the passenger side of the windshield, or in the case of a hanging tag, displayed on the rear view mirror or dash of your vehicle to access our transfer station, landfill site, and for use of our overnight parking areas at municipal water access points.

Stickers are sent to property owners with their interim tax bill. Interim tax bills are mailed in February each year.

In the case of long-term rentals, it is the landlord or property owner's responsibility to give the tenant the stickers attached to that property.

Replacement stickers will be available for a fee of \$25.00, along with proof of residency/ownership.

Please note George Hunt Boat Launch, located at the end of George Hunt Memorial Drive is for McDougall Residents only, therefore you are required to display your municipal permit at all times, not just for over-night parking.

