



Township of Dawn-Euphemia Public Works Newsletter

A Message from the Public Works Superintendent

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The bridge on Lambton Line at Florence will be reduced to one lane until the end of October, in order to complete bridge repairs.



MUNICIPAL DRAINS

CHECK YOUR CULVERTS!

Please take the time **now** to inspect the condition of the culverts that you will need to cross. If your culvert is in need of repair or replacement, complete a *Request for Maintenance Form*, available on the municipal website:

<http://www.dawneuphemia.ca/municipalservices/Pages/Drainage.aspx>, or municipal office. This completed form is required so that all of the necessary approvals can be obtained from the SCRCA (St. Clair Region Conservation Authority), DFO (Fisheries & Oceans Canada), and MNR (Ministry of Natural Resources). With your assistance, work will hopefully be performed in a timely manner to avoid you becoming stranded. All work must be performed during the “dry” season, but could be substantially delayed while waiting for approvals. Please inspect your culvert when the water level is low. Pay close attention to the bottom and any seams which exhibit first signs of decay. Landowners are responsible to determine the condition of their culverts and their own requirements. Also, not all culverts (especially those installed before 1975) can be maintained or replaced under current by-laws. This may cause the landowner an even longer delay for the appointment of an Engineer, other considerations, tendering and construction.

A small bit of your time could save a great deal of anguish later.

TREES ON ROADWAYS

Each year, the Township is faced with a large number of dead and dying trees near road allowances. With the assistance of landowners, Public Works staff will continue to remove trees which pose a liability.



Removal of unhealthy trees also helps to make the roadways safer for the travelling public, and has proven to reduce power outages. Trees that are scheduled to be cut will be marked with an “X” by the Public Works Department. Public Works staff will cut the trees, but it is the responsibility of the landowner to remove remnants. If you have any concerns about these trees or any that are NOT marked, please do not hesitate to call the Public Works Department.

Replacement trees are available for a fee through the St. Clair Region Conservation Authority at 519-245-3710. The Public Works Department also advises landowners to observe caution when planting trees near road allowances and note the potential growth pattern. A small seedling of the wrong species, or one placed too close, can rapidly encroach into the road allowance which must be kept clear and safe. With adequate notice, the Public Works Department would be pleased to meet with landowners to determine a mutually agreeable planting line. **Thank you in advance for your cooperation!**

New Automated Collection Service

Starting in November!!

WHEELIE BINS for Waste & Recycling are being delivered mid-October



IMPORTANT: Remember the location of where your bins are placed when delivered as this is also the location and how you will be expected to place them on pick up days (by the automated truck).

Garbage collection pick-up will be BI-WEEKLY (12 months/year) for ENTIRE Township

DAWN LANDFILL will continue operations:

Tuesday & Friday: 8 am – 4 pm

Saturday: 9 am – 5 pm

Bluewater Recycling Association

1-800-265-9799 ext. 243

DAMAGE DONE TO ROADS

DID YOU KNOW THAT LANDOWNERS ARE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR DAMAGE THEY DO TO ROADS?

Please be reminded that landowners are responsible for damage to roads caused by themselves, or by others working on lands owned by them. All costs associated with correcting any of the offences will be assessed against the offending property owner. Some examples are:

- *snow left on the road*
- *logs left within the road allowance*
- *mud left on the roadway*
- *damaged ditches*
- *damage to the surface of any part of the road allowance*

Ratepayers must be aware of safety concerns, liability issues, and expenses that are created by these offences. To help maintain the sense of pride that we all share in our tight knit community, your assistance in identifying any problems or concerns that you observe along the roadways will further aid us to keep our resident's safe.

SNOW REMOVAL

Public Works staff will do their best to remove snow from the roadways in a safe, efficient, and timely manner. **Please be patient and drive safe!**



- *Do not push snow from your driveway onto the road as this practice is unsafe and illegal.*
- *The Ontario Provincial Police will be summoned and have assured municipalities that they will lay charges under the Highway Traffic Act.*



To reach Public Works during regular office hours (7 am – 3:30 pm), call (519) 692-5018.

For after hour **EMERGENCIES ONLY**, contact Public Works by emergency pager at (519) 401-4808.