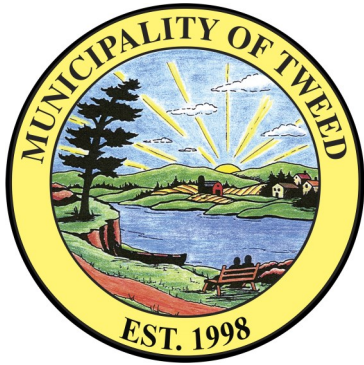


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WINTER PARKING

Winter parking restrictions are in effect from **November 15th-March 31st** every year.

No parking on any road in the Municipality between 11 pm & 7 am, and no parking on any municipal road or street at any time to interfere with snowplowing or snow removal.

Also, pursuant to Section 181 of the Highway Traffic Act: "No person shall deposit snow or ice on a roadway without permission".

Infrastructure Plans For Tweed

Asset Management

Reflecting on the success of both Council and our community in 2019, the completion of the revised Asset Management Plan will allow for better planning as the Municipality continues to prepare to meet the challenges of aging infrastructure.

Asset Management Plans are mandated by the Province.

The updated plan now includes roads, bridges, water and waste water infrastructure. It calculates years for replacement and allows municipalities to budget for future maintenance and upkeep. The Municipality plans to continue to update the Asset Management Plan, adding all of our buildings.

The Asset Management Plan guides Council to make the right decisions at the right time on key infrastructure.

Hawkins Bay Bridge

In 2019 funding was received from both the Federal and Provincial governments to assist with the replacement of Hawkins Bay Bridge, which was closed in 2018 due to unsafe conditions of the structure.

Thanks to the funding, the necessary upgrades to the bridge will be completed by September 15th.

Public Works Equipment

The purchase of a new grader, and now both graders are equipped with a packer, along with a change in the composition and type of aggregate, will continue to improve road conditions throughout the Municipality.

Senior Fitness Equipment

We continually add to our recreation area, and last year's new seniors' fitness equipment made a great addition! A cover will be constructed this year over the fitness equipment.

Marlbank Road

Marlbank Road will be under construction this year with a section of the road having new asphalt laid.

Volunteers

We would like to say thank you to our volunteers who not only support our municipal events but also organize their own successful activities. Our volunteers and the events they run are the lifeblood of our

community, and make Tweed a special place for all who visit and who live here.

Third Lagoon

2020 is the planned addition of a new lagoon cell for the town's wastewater system. The process has been ongoing for many years, but this year Council intends to take major steps to make it a reality. Construction of a new building to house the mechanics for the aeration system has begun, and an application for funding is currently before the Federal and Provincial governments.

Playground Equipment

Council is also looking forward to partnering with the Tweed Kiwanis Club for the development of an Accessible Playground at the Tweed Memorial Park. If anyone wishes to donate, you can do so at the Municipal Office.

Taking Care of Neighbours

With climate change and unexpected weather, please keep your neighbours in mind who may need a helping hand during severe weather events.

MPAC Updated Property Values

Every four years, the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) sends out Property Assessment Notices to all Ontario property owners.

Assessment Notices will be mailed from May to September, and will reflect the updated value of your property as of January 1, 2019.

Municipalities will use these assessments to calculate your 2021-2024 taxes.

When you receive your notice, review it, and keep it with your records.

If you have questions about your assessment, please contact MPAC directly at:

1-866-296-6722 or www.mpac.ca/contactus



2020 Capital Projects

For a full list of the Capital projects for this year please visit our website and download a copy of the Municipal Budget.

Copies of the Budget are also available at the Municipal Office.

Admin Building—roof repair, bathroom renovations

Fire— Reface front of fire hall, off road vehicle for grass fires, repeater for radio system

Roads Equipment— Tractor and boom mower

Roads—Marlbank Rd asphalt, Rapids Rd tar & chip, Hawkins Bay Bridge replacement

Roads Garage— Sand storage building coverall

Water & Sewer – Lagoon expansion project

Parks— Shade and rain covers for ball diamond dugouts, bleachers, outdoor fitness equipment shelter, new recreation area lighting, tree planting, Marlbank dome replacement, hamlet entrance signs.

Thomasburg Hall— Gravel parking lot

Queensborough Hall— Painting main room.

Subscribe To Council News & Notes

As part of ongoing efforts to enhance communication between residents and the Municipality, Council launched a new Council News & Notes e-newsletter.

The e-newsletter is published in the days following a Council Meeting highlighting decisions, delegations and business which was discussed at the Council Meeting.

The e-newsletter is an email subscription through our website www.tweed.ca.

You can subscribe to the newsletter on the left panel of our website by submitting your email electronically.

Regular Council Minutes will remain available on the Municipal website and in paper copy at the Municipal Office.

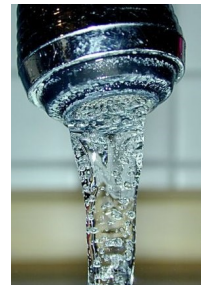
The e-newsletter is a great way to stay automatically up-to-date on not only the business of Council, but what is happening throughout the community.

You will receive no more than two emails per month as a subscriber.



10 Tips To Save Water

1. Keep a pitcher of drinking water in the refrigerator. Running the tap to allow water to cool is wasteful.
2. Check faucets, pipes, and toilets for leaks. A moderate toilet leak can waste about 6,000 gallons a month!
3. Only use your dishwasher or washing machine for full loads.
4. Don't run the hose while washing your car. Use a bucket and a sponge. Only use the hose for rinsing off your car when finished.
5. Only water your lawn when absolutely necessary in accordance with By-law No. 2002-33
6. Use a broom, not a hose, to clean your driveway and sidewalks.
7. Do not use your toilet as an ashtray or wastebasket. Doing so actually uses more water.
8. Install water saving shower heads.
9. Turn the water off after you wet your toothbrush.
10. Rinse your razor in the sink, don't run the tap continuously.



How To Protect Your Pipes

Baby wipes, dental floss, salad dressing and bacon grease. What do they all have in common?

These items can block your pipes if you put them down the sink or toilet.

Blocked pipes are big trouble. They can burst or back up, leading to costly flooding in your home or business.

To keep your drains clear please avoid sauces, gravies, butter, margarine, sandwich spreads, meat fat, milk, cream, and cooking oils.

After cooking allow grease and fats to harden and scrape them into the garbage.

Following these tips will help you to avoid costly water damage and help protect your home.

