



# Township of Manitowadge Municipal Newsletter

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## MUNICIPAL OFFICE

1 Mississauga Drive,  
Manitowadge, ON  
POT 2C0

## HOURS OF OPERATION

MONDAY— FRIDAY  
8:30 - 12:30  
1:30 - 4 :30

## PHONE NUMBER

(807) 826-3227

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(807) 826-4925

## WEBSITE

[www.manitowadge.ca](http://www.manitowadge.ca)  
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## AFTER HOURS EMERGENCY CONTACT

(807) 229-6057

## Township Enters Learn More Program

In February, Council passed a resolution requesting an opportunity to be briefed by representatives of the Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) in order to learn about Canada's plan for the long-term management of used nuclear fuel.

Mayor John MacEachern says, "This request is for an information briefing only. After attending the information presentations, Council may consider entering into the NWMO Learn More process.

Communities that choose to become involved in the process are not committed to anything and may exit the process at any time."

A delegation from Manitowadge will travel to Toronto and Ottawa for the briefings. The Learn More opportunity is funded by the NWMO, and is scheduled to include; a detailed briefing by NWMO staff; a tour of one of the Ontario Power Generation Waste Management Facilities, where used nuclear fuel is currently stored; a presentation from the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission in Ottawa.

The Government of Canada selected Canada's plan for the long-term management of used nuclear fuel in June 2007. The approach, called Adaptive Phased Management, involves the development of a large infrastructure project in an informed and willing host community. The NWMO is federally mandated to implement this project. The NWMO site selection process is expected to take at least ten years.

## COUNCIL MEETINGS

Monday May 28 at 7PM

Wednesday June 13 at 7PM

Wednesday June 27 at 7PM

Wednesday July 11 at 7PM

Wednesday Aug 8 at 7PM

Wednesday Sept 12 at 7PM

## NEW IN THE COMMUNITY

### SERVICES DEPARTMENT

In replacement of the Forecaster, we have put together a Spring/Summer and a Fall/Winter Leisure Guide.

The Spring/Summer edition has been sent to you in ad-bags, and are also available for pick up at various locations.

For more information , please call the Community Services Department.

807-826-3227  
ext.226 or 237

## News from the Public Works Department

### **Agreement for the Accreditation of the Operating Authority Of Municipal Drinking Water Systems**

The Corporation of the Township of Manitowadge has been successful in meeting the requirements of The Ontario Drinking Water Quality Management Standard (DWQMS) to the satisfaction of the Canadian General Standards Board (CGSB) Accreditation Program for Operating Authorities. The Drinking Water Quality Management Standard (DWQMS) is a tool for owners and operators to help ensure that consistent processes and procedures are in place to manage the production and delivery of high quality drinking water. The DWQMS supports a proactive and preventative approach, which requires adoption of best practices and continuous improvement. These requirements help owners and operating authorities continually improve the performance of their drinking water system through management oversight of their policies, processes and procedures. These requirements also provide municipal officials with the tools necessary to continuously assess their systems to ensure that Standard of Care provisions, which come into effect in 2013, are met. It is an investment in the future and an important part of the licensing process. This is a substantial accomplishment. By achieving accreditation, we have demonstrated that we have an effective drinking water quality management system. It demonstrates leadership in an area affecting the lives of many people.

## 2011 Annual Water and Wastewater Reports

The Public Works Department, operators of the Manitowadge Water Distribution System and Wastewater Collection and Treatment System, is pleased to present its 2011 Annual Reports to the residents of Manitowadge.

This report can be viewed online at [www.manitowadge.ca](http://www.manitowadge.ca)  
Under Townhall/Public Works – Annual Reports.

## Municipal Law Enforcement Office Happenings!

The MLEO will share happenings in our community in a positive manner to keep residents informed about by-law related matters as we continue in our efforts to keep our community safe and clean. Please go to the Township of Manitouwadge web page at [www.manitouwadge.ca](http://www.manitouwadge.ca) to view additional information, public notices or municipal by-laws etc in their entirety.

Spring has arrived, and with the snow melting, we notice waste and everything else which was hidden by it...doggy waste for one! It takes a few seconds to grab a waste bag before you walk your pets. As we pick up after our pets, we'll leave a lasting impression on our visitors and will ensure no unpleasant "poop" encounters. Since our pets are also kept outside longer now, at times barking dog noises can extend for a long periods of time. A simple solution may be to check often on your pets, bring them in if you plan to leave your property.

*Community Pride*...I have been hearing from fellow workers and residents about *Community Pride* ideas. Discussions are occurring here relating to keeping properties tidy and clean and taking greater pride in keeping our town beautiful in appearance. If you have any concerns or ideas to share about keeping properties tidy and clean, please email myself with your ideas. There doesn't seem to be as much garbage blown around our streets as in past years. Residents have been great putting waste in sufficient containers and with tight fitting lids.

Visit our website on "Wildlife in Our Community" under the "Living Here Tab". Reminder, when food sources are eliminated from town, most wildlife won't stick around long enough to cause problems.

Call "911" for life threatening emergencies or report sightings to Manitouwadge OPP 1-888-310-1122.

With the snowmobiles tucked away, many have fired up their four wheelers/dirt bikes. Owners of these vehicles are required to follow the laws found at [www.e-laws.gov.on.ca](http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca), under the "Off Road Vehicle" (ORV) Act and our All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) By-law. Our ATV By-law is in accordance with the (ORV) Act and the Highway Traffic Act. **Off Road Vehicles can operate only on the shoulder of the road and at a rate of speed not greater than 20 km per hour.** The Manitouwadge OPP Officers are willing to answer any of your questions for operating on the road regarding speed, equipment, registration licence etc. Drivers, please drive sober and responsibly on our streets.

Our beautiful Perry Lake Walking Trail will be monitored rather closely this year due to previous damage to the Trail and for the safety of trail walkers. The Township of Manitouwadge would like to thank the Perry Lake Trail Committee for purchasing new signs for the trail. Be advised that they will be posted soon.

"Every complaint is important." People usually apologize for having to report certain problems, however we understand this is difficult to do, especially when attempts to resolve a matter have not been successful. We are committed to addressing most matters providing the MLEO has the authority to do so. If you have any questions, comments to share or want to report any by-law related matter please do not hesitate to call our office at 807 826-3227 Ext 244 or email us at [mleo@manitouwadge.ca](mailto:mleo@manitouwadge.ca) Cherie Gray/MLEO

## Grant received for Museum Summer Student

The Township of Manitouwadge received funding from the Summer Experience Program to fund one full time student for the Museum and Tourist Information Centre for the summer of 2012. The student will provide travel information and other services to tourists at the Manitouwadge Museum. Greet tourists, in person or by telephone, and answers questions and gives information on historical sites, scenic areas, and other tourist attractions within the Manitouwadge area. Assists tourists in planning itineraries and advises them and provides information on fishing, hunting, and camping in The North of Superior Tourism region.

Our contract is funded by Summer Experience Program grant offered by Ministry Tourism, Culture and Sport. The student will be reporting to the Economic Development Office.

The contract will run from July 6 – August 20th. The hours will be flexible and you will work approximately 35 hours, per week and will have to be available to work weekends. To apply visit the job bank at [www.manitouwadge.ca](http://www.manitouwadge.ca)

## NOTICE OF CHANGE TO MUNICIPAL OFFICE HOURS OF OPERATION

Effective May 23, 2012 the new hours at the Municipal Office will be: Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM - 4:00PM

Closed for lunch between 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM

For any inquires please call 807-826-3227

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