



SWEET TREATS: Leah Youngblut, owner of the Village Sweet Shop, Rockwood, was a huge hit with her candy booth at the Acton Leathertown Festival on Sunday. There were many different treats to satisfy any sweet tooth. - Traci Gardner Photo

Township Digest

Drought fallout

The hot, dry weather earlier this summer is to be blamed for a huge increase in the number of grass/brush fires answered by the Guelph/Eramosa Fire Department in July. The latest monthly statistic report to Township Council showed there were 11 grass/brush fires in July, up one from one the previous month, and from none for the same period last year.

There were 37 total calls in July, up from 29 in June and included

14 medical calls, four false alarms, four motor vehicle collision calls, two CO/smoke alarm calls, one structure fire and one mutual aid call from a neighbouring fire department.

Six month financials

Financially, Guelph/Eramosa Township is in good shape, six months into the year. "Basically, everything is just rolling along - we're in full construction swing," reported Linda Cheyne, the Manager of Finance at last Tuesday's Council meet-

ing. She listed a number of on-going public works projects underway including reconstruction of Jones Base Line, 20th Side Road, within the village of Rockwood and in Everton.

"There's no big surprises in these financial statements...the final tax bills went out in July, so the due date is the end of August and the end of October," Cheyne said, tabling a report showing the Township had an accumulated surplus of \$86,275,795 as of June 30.



Notice of Public Information Centre for the Village of Rockwood Sewage System Upgrades Class Environmental Assessment Study

The Study

The Township of Guelph/Eramosa (Township) currently has an agreement with the City of Guelph (City) to provide treatment of the wastewater from the Village of Rockwood (Village). The Township, the Ministry of the Environment (MOE) and the City entered into this agreement in 1977, with the MOE transferring their responsibility and obligations associated with the Village's communal water and wastewater systems to the Township (formerly the Township of Eramosa). Average daily sewage flows in the Village have steadily increased over the years and are now reaching the agreed upon treatment capacity with the City. The Township has undertaken a Class Environmental Assessment (EA) to determine the best alternative to provide sewage treatment to the remainder of the developable lands within the Village.

The Process

The study is carried out in accordance with the requirements of a Schedule "B" undertaking as outlined in the Municipal Engineers Association Municipal Class Environmental Assessment document (2000, as amended in 2011). The Class EA planning process includes public and regulatory agencies consultation, evaluation of alternatives, assessment of the effects of the proposed upgrades and identification of measures to mitigate any adverse impacts.

Public consultation is vital to this study. The Township would like to ensure that anyone interested in this study has the opportunity to get involved and provide input on the project's implementation. As such, the Township is interested in receiving comments on the proposed upgrades.

A Public Information Centre (PIC) has been arranged to: describe the proposed project and the preliminary preferred solution; encourage, gather and respond to public input and feedback; and, identify the next steps in the process. Presentation materials pertaining to the study will be made available on the Township's website (www.get.on.ca) following the PIC.

Drop-in Centre	Date:	August 30, 2012
	Time:	4:00 to 7:00 p.m.
	Place:	Township of Guelph/Eramosa (Council Chambers) 8348 Wellington Road 124, Rockwood, ON N0B 2K0

To provide comment or to request additional information concerning this project, or if you are unable to attend and would like to provide comments, please contact either of the following Project Team members by September 10, 2012.

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Information will be collected in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.

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