

Hundreds expected for firefighter's conference



Essex Fire and Rescue Service Capt. Tom Bonneau, left, and firefighter Mike Dickson are co-chairs of this year's Fire Fighter's Association of Ontario conference that will begin next week. Bonneau and Dickson said July 24 that over 400 families are expected to stay in the Essex area over the course of the conference, which ends Aug. 7. Executives from the Ontario Fire Marshal's Office will arrive in town at the end of the week, and firefighters should start arriving Aug. 4. The conference is a yearly business meeting that includes information and training for volunteer firefighters from across Ontario. The weekend also includes a social gathering for firefighters and their families as well as a competition among departments. The public is invited to several of the events.

Union Water board agrees on annual budget

BY DANIEL SCHWAB

The Union Water Supply System Joint Board of Management approved all but one item from the 2006 budget July 18, a \$960,000 watermain on Peterson Side Road in Kingsville.

The board could not decide whether or not the project, which would poten-

tially accommodate more water lines to Cottam and service Kingsville, Leamington and parts of Essex and Lakeshore over the next 20 years, fits into the common assets policy.

"It has to be done," said Leamington Deputy Mayor Rob Schmidt. "Any large water line benefits the whole system."

The board is expecting demands in the system to rise over time. The budget anticipates construction of the project to begin in late 2006.

But for board chair Rick Cowan, the project has been "hamstringing the whole board up for a long time."

Since 2001, Windsor's Stantec Consulting Ltd. has

been on board to design a work plan.

"This watermain has been identified as an immediate need," said Tony Berardi, a project manager for Stantec. "In fact, it should've been done last year."

The Board agreed to reconvene July 28 after further consultation to discuss if the project does or does not fit into the common assets policy.

The budget also includes \$2,000 for the Essex Children's Water Festival.

"This is where our water conservation stems for years

to come," said board vice-chair Katherine Gunning. "Attendance to this event has been phenomenal and this is where we get important conservation information out to the public."

The budget also includes \$100,000 for a drinking water quality management

study, \$47,000 for a low lift pumping station upgrade and a \$50,000 sustainable water and sewage study expected to begin in the next 12 months.

The Union Water Supply System serves the areas of Leamington, Kingsville, Essex and Lakeshore.



The Corporation of the Town of Amherstburg Wastewater Rate Study

NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

Pursuant to Part XII of the *Municipal Act 2001*, the Town of Amherstburg proposes to pass a by-law, to establish the rates to be charged for wastewater collection and treatment. *Ontario Regulation 244/02, Section 12* requires that the Town hold at least one public meeting to inform the public of the proposed rates and the basis for these rates.

A Public Information Meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 9th, 2006 at 7:00 P.M. at the Verdi Club, 689 Texas Road, Amherstburg. At the Public Information Meeting, the Town's consultants for the study, C.N. Watson and Associates and CH2M HILL, will make a presentation on how the proposed rates were established. At that meeting there will be opportunity for the public to discuss the information and make comment. Subsequently, at a Public Meeting of Council to be held on Monday, September 11th, 2006 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers, 271 Sandwich Street, Town Council will consider the passing of the by-law adopting the wastewater rates.

The wastewater rates Council will be considering are intended to provide sufficient money to fund the full cost of providing sewage collection and treatment, in accordance with the *Ontario Water Resources Act, 1990* and the *Sustainable Water and Sewage Systems Act, 2002*; within the sewage collections areas in the Town of Amherstburg's municipal boundary and in the area of the Town of Essex serviced by the McGregor Lagoon Sewage Treatment System.

A Wastewater Rate Study Report has been prepared to establish the proposed rates; in addition an Information Bulletin providing relevant information on the proposed rates has been prepared. The Rate Study Report will be available for public viewing on July 31st and the Information Bulletin will be available for public viewing and pick up on July 24th, 2006. Both will be available on the dates noted at:

The Clerk's Office
Amherstburg Municipal Building,
271 Sandwich Street South,
Amherstburg, ON
N9V 2A5
Monday to Friday: 8:30 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.
Phone: (519) 736-0012
Fax: (519) 736-5403

Further information may be obtained by Contacting Lou Zarlenga, P.Eng. Manager of Public Services at (519) 736-3664.



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LAKESHORE

The audited financial statements for the Town of Lakeshore for the year ended December 31, 2005 are now available on our website www.lakeshore.ca or will be made available to any ratepayer upon request at no cost at the Town hall in accordance with S 295(1) of the Municipal Act.

Sylvia Rammelaere, CA, Director of Finance and Performance Services 519-728-2700.

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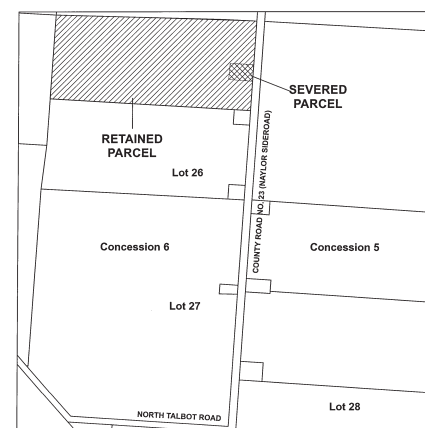
THE PLANNING ACT, R.S.O. 1990 NOTICE OF THE PASSING OF A ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT BY THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LAKESHORE

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Lakeshore has passed By-law 77-2006 on the 17th day of July, 2006 under Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990.

AND TAKE NOTICE that only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal a zoning by-law to the Ontario Municipal Board. A notice of appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a notice of appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group on its behalf. An appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board in respect of the By-law may be completed by filing with the Clerk of the Town of Lakeshore not later than the 11th of August, 2006, a notice of appeal setting out the objection to the By-law and the reasons in support of the objection accompanied by the required fee of \$125 made payable to the Minister of Finance.

An explanation of the purpose of the by-law describing the lands to which the by-law applies and a key map showing the location of the lands to which the by-law applies is attached. The complete By-law and any associated information is available for inspection in my office during regular office hours.

DATED at the Town of Lakeshore this 21st day of July, 2006.



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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The purpose of By-law 77-2006 is to amend the Zoning By-law for the former Township of Maidstone, now a portion of the Town of Lakeshore. The applicants were granted a provisional consent (B/11/2006) in February of 2006 to sever a 0.78 ha (1.9 acre) surplus dwelling lot from the balance of the 20.2 ha (50 acre) farm. Under the new Provincial Policy Statement, which came into effect on March 1, 2005, it is required that the remaining farmland be rezoned to prohibit any future dwellings. The Committee of Adjustment added this requirement as a condition of the consent and the applicants have subsequently applied for a zoning by-law amendment to satisfy that condition. Therefore, the proposed zoning by-law rezones the retained farm to a special "A, Agricultural" zone to prohibit any future dwellings.