



WWRUPDATE

May 2020

WATER/SEWER BILLING

Bills are now due on the last business day of every other month in **May, July, September, November, January and March**. Interest and penalty are charged on past due accounts. Due to the on-going pandemic, Council approved 0% interest and penalty for the months of March and April.

Did you know the Township of Whitewater Region offers pre-authorized payment plans for Property Taxes and Water/Sewer Bills? Payments are taken from your bank account. There are many benefits:

- There are no cheques to write out
- No waiting in line
- You will save on postage and transportation
- You don't need to keep track of due dates
- No penalties for missing a due date.

Contact Kim Peterson, Deputy Treasurer at Ext. 129 or kpeterson@whitewaterregion.ca.

COVID-19 UPDATE

Office Closure

The Municipal Office is closed to the public at this time. Staff can be reached by telephone and email.

Health Unit

For up to date information and guidance, residents are directed to the Health Unit website at www.rcdhu.ca or the Province of Ontario's site at <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/>.

Leaf & Yard Waste and Brush

These materials will be accepted free of charge from residents of Whitewater Region on the following dates and times based on where you live. Please respect physical distancing measures, keep 6 feet from others, and respect the limit of 5 vehicles in the landfill at one time. You may be required to produce your landfill card or other form of identification to access the premise. No other waste will be accepted. **990 Kohlsmith Road – 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.**

**Beachburg and Westmeath Township:
Tuesday, May 12**

**Cobden and Former Ross Township:
Thursday, May 14**

Boat Launches Reopening

The provincial emergency order required the closure of marinas; however, boat launches were not included. Accordingly, Township staff are installing dock systems to allow for the opening of boat launches. Physical distancing measures must be followed and please keep 6 feet from others.

Muskrat Boat Launches: Week of May 4
Ottawa River Launches: Week of May 11

Landfill Regular Operations

Regular business hours will resume on **Wednesday, May 20 and Saturday, May 23 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.** We ask that payment occur with exact cash amount, where possible. Electronic payment is also being explored but not available at this time.

Please use regular curbside collection for residential garbage and recycling.

PROPERTY TAXES

Please make note of the following upcoming due dates to avoid interest and penalty.

Final Tax Bill:

First installment is due:	August 31, 2020
Second installment is due:	October 30, 2020

Interest and penalty for past due accounts are charged at a rate of 1.25%. Due to the on-going pandemic, Council approved 0% interest and penalty for the months of March and April. Please note that 19% of taxes you pay go to school boards, 30% to the County of Renfrew, and 10% for OPP policing.

Reminder!

Your first 2 bags of garbage placed at the curb can be any colour and do NOT need to be Whitewater Region yellow "W" bags. If you want to put more than 2 bags at the curb for pick-up, you will need to purchase a yellow "W" bag for \$5. Thank you for reducing, reusing and recycling!



2020 Dog Tags

<p style="text-align: center;">Until <u>May 31st</u> Sterilized: \$15.00 Non-sterilized: \$30.00</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Beginning <u>June 1st</u> Sterilized: \$25.00 Non-Sterilized: \$40.00</p>
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Dog Tag permits are also now available on our website with online payment at www.whitewaterregion.ca. Fees apply. Tags can be also purchased at the following locations:

- Municipal Office, 44 Main St, Cobden
- Rooney's Variety, 74 Main St, Cobden
- Annie's Gas Bar, 2008 Foresters Falls Rd
- Beachburg Deli & Bakery, 1824 Beachburg Rd
- Kenny's Store, 2164 Westmeath Rd.

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