



# CHAPPLE MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER

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Chapple Municipality would like to welcome

**Gerry Armstrong** as the new **Fire Chief**.

Marvis Darrah is now Deputy Fire Chief.

The Municipality would like to also thank the following Volunteer Fire Fighters that have so generously given their time to protecting our community.

Matt Loughrey  
Abram Eberly  
Clifford Eberly  
Dave McKelvie  
Lavern Martin  
Paul Eberly  
John Eberly  
Oscar Burnell  
Luke Eberly  
Donald Martin  
Jonathon Steiner



If you would like to become a volunteer firefighter please call the office @ 487-2354.

## Training Schedule for 2012

Thursday evening starts off with a ½ hour of business from 18:30 to 19:00 hours. Then training for 2 hours from 19:00 to 21:00 hours with some hands on if possible equaling 2.5 hours.

Saturday afternoon is Safety Rules then as much hands on as possible from 13:00 to 17:00 hours for a total of 4 hours.

**February 2<sup>nd</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>** – Ropes, knots and ladders.

**March 8<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>** – Building Construction & Ventilation (prepare backpacks for spring and summer)

**April 12<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>** – Fire behaviour, fire extinguishers and fire control.

**May 3<sup>rd</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>**- Water supply and fire streams.

**June 23<sup>rd</sup>**- Stock trailer extrication.

**July and August**- Off for family time.

**September 6<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Fire Hose.

**October 4<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>** – Auto Extraction.

**November 1<sup>st</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>**- Forcible entry & Prepare backpacks for storage.

**December 6<sup>th</sup>** – Spare.

**Plan to attend the User Fee Meeting to be held  
Tuesday February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2012 @ 1:30 p.m.  
in the Council Chambers.**

## Heritage News

Chapple Heritage Committee will soon be ordering the final granite marker for the lighthouse. If anyone is still interested in ‘purchasing a brick’ in honor of themselves, a friend, or in memory of a loved one, we ask that you would please do so by the end of February. Cost per brick is \$100 and you can purchase one by contacting Rilla Race or the Township Office.

**The 2011 Christmas Decorating Contest  
Winner is:  
Bill & Marie Whiting.  
Absolutely beautiful decorations!**

Interim Tax Bills have been sent out and are due:

March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012

## Important Dates:

February 14, 2012 - Council Meeting - 10:30 a.m.

February 13, 2012 - Heritage Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

## **Family Day**

**Monday, February 20  
1:00 pm – 3:00 p.m.  
At the Barwick Skating Rink.**

**Come out and have fun!  
There will be public skating &  
broomball happening.  
Warm up by the bonfire, have a  
hotdog, cup of hot chocolate and  
visit with your neighbours!**

-Activity sponsored & hosted by the Chapple Fire Department

We've had growing concern about the numerous Dogs running at large in the Municipality.

Once again we are reminding animal owners that ALL animal owners have a duty under Provincial Law to have care and control of their animal at ALL times. Owners are responsible for any damages done by their animals, if the animal causes an accident, hurts another individual, causes property damage, etc. This Legal Liability can result in Lawsuits by the injured parties!

**Dog Owners' Liability Act  
R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER D.16**

**Consolidation Period:** From January 1, 2007 to the [e-Laws currency date](#).

Last amendment: 2006, c. 32, Sched. C, s. 13.

PRECAUTIONS BY DOG OWNERS

**Owner to prevent dog from attacking**

**5.1** The owner of a dog shall exercise reasonable precautions to prevent it from,

- (a) biting or attacking a person or domestic animal; or
- (b) behaving in a manner that poses a menace to the safety of persons or domestic animals. 2005, c. 2, s. 1 (15).

**Warrant to seize dog**

**13. (1)** Subsection (2) applies where a justice of the peace is satisfied by information on oath or affirmation that there are reasonable grounds to believe that,

- (a) a dog is in any building, receptacle or place, including a dwelling house, other than in a pound operated by or on behalf of a municipality, Ontario or a designated body or in a research facility registered under the *Animals for Research Act*; and
- (b) it is not desirable in the interests of public safety that the dog be in that location. 2005, c. 2, s. 1 (16).

**Same**

**(2)** In the circumstances described in subsection (1), the justice of the peace may issue a warrant authorizing a peace officer named in the warrant to enter any building, receptacle or place, including a dwelling house, to search for and seize the dog and any muzzle, collar or other equipment for the dog. 2005, c. 2, s. 1 (16).

**Same**

**(3)** Without limiting the generality of clause (1) (b), it is not desirable in the interests of public safety for a dog to be in a location other than in a pound operated by or on behalf of a municipality, Ontario or a designated body or in a research facility registered under the *Animals for Research Act* if,

- (a) the dog has on one or more occasions bitten or attacked a person or domestic animal;
- (b) the dog has on one or more occasions behaved in a manner that poses a menace to the safety of persons or domestic animals;
- (c) an owner of the dog has on one or more occasions failed to exercise reasonable precautions to prevent the dog from,
  - (i) biting or attacking a person or domestic animal, or
  - (ii) behaving in a manner that poses a menace to the safety of persons or domestic animals;
- (d) the dog is a restricted pit bull and an owner of the dog has on one or more occasions failed to comply with one or more of the requirements of this Act or the regulations respecting restricted pit bulls;
- (e) the dog is a pit bull other than a restricted pit bull; or
- (f) there is reason to believe that the dog may cause harm to a person or domestic animal. 2005, c. 2, s. 1 (16).

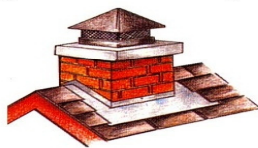
## Tips for maintaining your wood burning appliance

### INSPECT AND CLEAN YOUR CHIMNEY

Check your chimney and clear any obstructions at the start of the heating season, and make sure damper controls work properly to keep smoke and toxic gases from building up inside the home. Check chimneys and flue pipes often for creosote and soot build-up and clean to prevent a chimney fire. Your chimney may have problems you can't see. If in doubt, consult a WETT (Wood Energy Technical Training) certified chimney sweep.

### CAP IT OFF

Maintain an appropriate chimney cap on top of your chimney to protect against damage from rain or snow. Spark screens should be inspected regularly to make sure smoke can vent properly.



### CHECK STOVE PIPES AND CONNECTIONS

Ensure all joints in flue pipes are securely fastened with at least 3 screws. Where flue pipes are joined together, the small (crimped) end should point toward the appliance.

### PROTECT FLOORS AND WALLS FROM HEAT AND SPARKS

Keep combustible materials a safe distance away from

wood stoves and fireplaces. Always use a properly fitting screen for your fireplace. Consult a WETT certified chimney sweep if walls get too hot.

### BURN DRY WOOD

Burn properly dried, well-seasoned wood to reduce the risk of excessive creosote build-up from inefficient burning or smouldering fires. Store wood outdoors, stacked in an open area or shed away from the house or deck to provide good airflow that will assist drying.

### REMOVE ASHES SAFELY

Allow ashes to cool fully before cleaning them from your fireplace or wood stove. Use only metal, non-combustible containers to remove ashes from the appliance. Take them outside immediately and store well away from buildings on a non-combustible surface.

### INSTALL CARBON MONOXIDE ALARMS

All homes with fuel-fired appliances should have a carbon monoxide (CO) alarm. Check with your fire department or municipal office regarding Building Code and municipal by-law requirements.

For more information, contact your local fire department.



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