

## **Municipal Act 2001, Section 300 Reporting for Taxation Year 2009**

Section 300, which is new to the Municipal Act, requires municipalities to report to the public at least once each calendar year on improvements in the efficiency and effectiveness of their service delivery as well as that of their local boards. Municipalities must also report on barriers to achieving improvements in these aspects of service delivery.

The following report identifies improvements in efficiencies, services and barriers that have been identified by their respective departments:

### **Administration**

1. The municipal website continues to be maintained and upgraded on a regular basis to provide valuable information to residents and ratepayers. Options are being researched to determine a more user-friendly website.
2. The municipality's emergency management committee continues to meet regularly to provide effective emergency management in the municipality.
3. Administrative staff restructuring took place and a Chief Administrative Officer and a new planning Assistant were hired.
4. An audit was completed on our inventory of capital assets to meet the necessary PSAB requirements and reporting.

### **Fire Protection**

1. Replacement and upgrading of fire fighter's personal protective equipment to ensure the highest level of safety for all personnel.
2. Purchase of Scott Air Packs to replace older outdated models to enhance personnel safety.
3. Purchase of fire fighter swiisphone pagers to enhance communication capabilities.
4. Purchase of multi gas detector to replace older model enhancing capabilities regarding CO alarms.
5. Off-site training of personnel to enhance firefighting, rapid intervention team and incident command capabilities.
6. An addition was completed on the Camlachie Fire Hall in anticipation of a new fire truck in 2010.

### Water/Waste Water

1. Wyoming garage was totally renovated in order to accommodate Plympton and Wyoming Water Operations. A safe place to store equipment, parts, etc. in one building space. With operations in one building now there will be better efficiency.
2. A partial replacement of sewer forcemain on Queen Street to keep the integrity of our Plympton Sewage System running at full capability.
3. Replaced UV disinfection system banks and bulbs at the Plympton Sewage Plant to provide better service and efficiency.
4. Replace the plc's (programmable logic controller) at the nine pumping stations in the Plympton Sewage Area for better service.
5. New roof on the Wyoming Sewage Operations building for the continued safe operation within the building.

### Public Works

1. Replacement of 1993 single axle plow truck with a new 2009 tandem plow truck with the multi-purpose dump body.
2. Upgraded Minielly Road between Confederation Line and London Line to allow farm equipment to bypass the busy section of County Road #21 between Reece's Corners and Churchill Line.
3. Reconstruction of the Canadian National Railway Crossing at Plowing Match Road including paving of approach for safe travelling of users of the road.
4. Queen Street between Dalrymple Street and Francis Street was reconstructed and widened to permit a pedestrian lane for walking or bicycling.

### Landfill/Garbage Collection

1. Continued provision of curbside pickup including household waste, recyclables, large items and compostables.

### Parks and Recreation

1. New playground equipment was installed at Canton Park to replace the old unsafe wooden structure that was there previously. Protective surfacing was also installed to help protect the children from injuries.

2. The tennis courts were re-surfaced and painted in Blue Point Park in order for residents to play tennis in a safe manner.
3. Mandaumin Park and Lakeshore Park had the gazebo roofs replaced as the old roofs were deteriorated and unsafe for residents in the area to use. The roofs were replaced with steel roofing.