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CANINE CONTROL SERVICES are provided to the Town of Erin by the **UPPER CREDIT HUMANE SOCIETY**. Dog licenses are sold through the Humane Society and the Municipal Office. Website: www.uppercredit.com

To contact the **UPPER CREDIT HUMANE SOCIETY** regarding lost or found dogs, or animal control concerns please call:

- Erin Office 519-833-2287
- Pager Number 519-831-1400

WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICES are provided by the **COUNTY OF WELLINGTON**. For waste disposal site, recycling and collection enquiries please phone Guelph (519) 837-2601 or toll free 1-800-663-0750 - Ext. 220.
Website: www.wellington.county.on.ca

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Once again, I am pleased to announce that we were able to limit tax increases on the part of the Town this year. The provincial and federal governments have increased their funding for municipal infrastructure, and this year that amounted to approximately \$1,300,000. With this money we were able to make repairs and improvements to our bridge and road infrastructure, and also some is dedicated to the water infrastructure.

Our total budget for the year is \$8,952,677. an increase of \$61,518 over last year and \$3,225,475 of this funded through the property tax. That is an increase of about \$30,000 over last year, and it is funded through the increase in the assessment base of the municipality.

There are no major capital expenditures in the fire department this year, but we are allocating \$70,000 to reserves, which will be used either for new vehicles as they become necessary, or for a new fire hall to serve the Hillsburgh area. Our major expenditure in recreation this year is for new boards for the arena in Erin.

In Public Works, we have allocated money for a new bridge over the Credit on Mill Street, and that will include a sidewalk to increase the safety for children walking to school. We have also purchased a trackless maintainer, which will be used in the winter to remove snow from sidewalks, and in the summer to cut our recreation fields. We are also completing our 15 Sideroad project with paving out to Winston Churchill. We are continuing to work on the Hillsburgh Heights water filtration project.

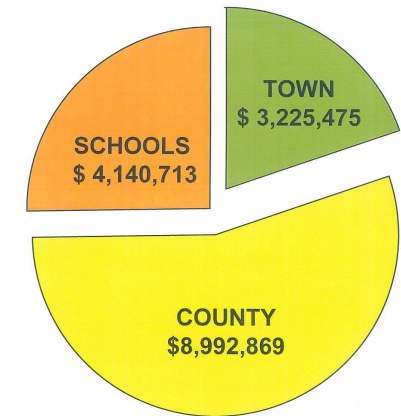
Our auditors have just reviewed our books and given us a clean bill of health. Our reserves have increased to over \$4 million, which gives us a bit of a cushion when we will face some large capital expenditures in the future. Both staff and councillors deserve credit for attending to the needs of the community in a responsible fashion.

Rod Finnie



**TOWN OF ERIN
2006 TAXPAYER INFORMAT**

**YOUR 2006 RESIDENTIAL
TAX DOLLAR SHARED**



MUNICIPAL OFFICE:
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OFFICE HOURS: weekdays
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

WEBSITE: www.town.erin.on.ca

CALCULATING YOUR TAX BILL

The final installments of the 2006 tax bills are due **August 31st** and **October 31st**. Tax payments can be made in person at the Municipal Office or mailed to R. R. # 2, Hillsburgh ON N0B 1Z0. After hours payments may be deposited through the slot in the front door of the Municipal Office. Payments are also accepted through telephone/internet banking, ABM's (automated bank machines) and at the counter of most financial institutions. The micro-encoded tax stub must accompany the payment for the transaction to be completed. A debit card machine is available for all payments made at the Municipal Office. Pre-Authorized Payment Plan Forms can be downloaded from the Town's website or are available at the Municipal Office for enrollment in the monthly payment plan for January 2007.

To calculate your total 2006 tax levy, multiply your Current Value Assessment (CVA) within each assessment property class by the applicable "Tax Rate" for each class and purpose from the table below:

2006 TAX RATES

ASSESSMENT CLASS	CODE	TAX RATES			
		MUNICIPAL	COUNTY	EDUCATION	TOTAL
Residential	RT	0.00250606	0.00698708	0.00264000	0.01213314
Multi-Residential	MT	0.00501212	0.01397417	0.00264000	0.02162629
Commercial	CT	0.00340799	0.00950173	0.01319713	0.02610685
Commercial excess land	CU	0.00238559	0.00665121	0.00923799	0.01827479
Commercial vacant land	CX	0.00238559	0.00665121	0.00923799	0.01827479
Commercial farmland class I	C1	0.00187955	0.00524031	0.00198000	0.00909986
Industrial	IT	0.00612481	0.01707643	0.02365824	0.04685948
Industrial farmland class I	I1	0.00187955	0.00524031	0.00198000	0.00909986
Industrial farmland class II	I4	0.00612481	0.01707643	0.02365824	0.04685948
Industrial excess/vacant unit	IU	0.00398113	0.01109968	0.01537786	0.03045867
Industrial vacant unit	IX	0.00398113	0.01109968	0.01537786	0.03045867
Industrial taxable shared	IH	0.00612481	0.01707643	0.02365824	0.04685948
Large Industrial	LT	0.00612481	0.01707643	0.02365824	0.04685948
Large Industrial excess/vacant	LU	0.00398113	0.01109968	0.01537786	0.03045867
Farm	FT	0.00062652	0.00174677	0.00066000	0.00303329
Pipelines	PT	0.00508805	0.01418587	0.02022939	0.03950331
Managed Forest	TT	0.00062652	0.00174677	0.00066000	0.00303329

COMMERCIAL TAX BILLS:

Tax Bills for properties in any of the Commercial or Industrial property classes will be mailed separately. Year 2006 capping adjustments and notices detailing any adjustment will be included with that final billing. Anticipated mailing date for these bills is September 1st. Commercial, industrial, and multi-residential installments are due **September 29th** and **November 30th, 2006**.

2006 Tax Calculation on each \$100,000 of RESIDENTIAL ASSESSMENT

CVA	Class	Tax Rate	Total Tax Amount
\$100,000.	RT X	0.01213314	= \$1,213.31

(* updated Current Value Assessment (CVA) – the "Average" residential assessment in the Town of Erin increased approx. 11.15% 2006 over 2005 as a result of Province-wide reassessment. CVA in 2006 of \$100,000 increased from \$90,090 (-11%) in 2005 for comparison purposes.

TAX PURPOSE	2006 Taxes	\$ Increase over 2005	2005 Taxes
TOWN OF ERIN	\$ 250.61	(\$ 0.03)	\$ 250.64
COUNTY	\$ 698.70	\$ 33.04	\$ 665.66
EDUCATION	\$ 264.00	(\$ 2.67)	\$ 266.67
TOTAL	\$ 1,213.31	\$ 30.34	\$1,182.97

WHERE YOUR TOWN TAX DOLLARS ARE SPENT IN 2006 FOR PROGRAMS & SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE TOWN OF ERIN

Program/Service	Portion of Each Town Dollar	Town Tax \$'s of \$100,000. CVA
GENERAL GOVERNMENT		
Council	\$0.022	\$
Administration	\$0.146	\$3
PROTECTIVE SERVICES		
Building Inspection	\$0.000	\$
By-Law Enforcement & Crossing Guards	\$0.013	\$
Conservation Authorities	\$0.022	\$
Fire & Emergency	\$0.112	\$2
Canine Control/Livestock Claims	(\$0.003)	(\$0)
PUBLIC WORKS		
Roads & Bridges	\$0.422	\$10
Water Systems	\$0.000	\$
Environmental Services	\$0.044	\$1
RECREATION & CULTURE		
Recreation	\$0.167	\$4
Cemetery, Trail & Parkette Maintenance	\$0.013	\$
Rental Facilities	\$0.000	\$
PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT		
Planning	\$0.019	\$
Community Support	\$0.017	\$
Working Capital Reserves	\$0.005	\$
TOTAL TOWN TAX DOLLARS (*)	\$1.00	\$25

THE COUNTY OF WELLINGTON – 2006 BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

The County provides a wide range of services that benefit all County residents and businesses. The County's annual operating budget exceeds \$154 million, with a further \$21.4 million in capital expenditures projected in 2006. Service enhancements in the 2006 budget include:

- Two new uniformed police officers
- Completion of the Rockwood Police Facility
- New affordable housing and rent supplement units
- Completion of the new Wellington Terrace Long Term Care Facility
- The construction of a new Library branch and Medical Centre in Clifford
- \$8.6 million investment in roads and bridges across the County, including the replacement of the Glen Allan Bridge
- Renovation of the former Post Office in Guelph to facilitate the centralization of service delivery in the Social Services Department
- The construction of a new Tree Nursery located in Puslinch to continue the Green Legacy program, which has planted 453,000 trees in the County since 2004.

Programs and services provided by the County of Wellington

Program/Service	Portion of each County tax dollar
Roads	\$ 0.2
Police Services	\$ 0.2
Solid Waste Services	\$ 0.1
Admin/Property	\$ 0.0
Social Housing	\$ 0.0
Social Services	\$ 0.0
Home for the Aged	\$ 0.0
Library	\$ 0.0
Land Ambulance	\$ 0.0
Public Health	\$ 0.0
Planning	\$ 0.0
Museum/Wellington Place	\$ 0.0
Property Assessment	\$ 0.0
Grants	\$ 0.0
Other Revenues	(\$0.0)
Total	\$ 1.0

TAX RELIEF PROGRAMS

The County and its member municipalities provide a tax relief program for low-income seniors and low-persons with disabilities. In addition, there is a tax rebate program for charities and other similar organ which are occupying leased commercial or industrial property. To find out more about these programs, the County or your local municipal office, or visit our website at www.wellington.ca