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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
- Emergencies (519) 943-5288

SOLID WASTE SERVICES: (INCLUDING GARBAGE & RECYCLING) are provided by the **COUNTY OF WELLINGTON**.

For waste disposal site, recycling and collection inquiries please phone Guelph (519) 837-2601 or toll free 1-866-899-0248.

WEBSITE: www.wellington.ca

Mayor's Message

Dear Residents,

With a little over six months into our new term of Council, this is my first opportunity to address you. It's been a very interesting and busy time with many issues needing resolution.

Our Town budget increase was 5% equating to a \$29.00 increase on the average Town of Erin home assessed at \$363,750. 1% percent of the increase went to operational costs and 4% (approximately \$155,000) of the increase was allocated to capital reserves. Specifically - \$75,000 into a roads improvement reserve fund and \$80,000 towards significant renovations to the Town of Erin Fire Hall in Hillsburgh. Fire Hall construction is anticipated to begin this fall; the 2 stage renovations are estimated at 1.8-2.0 million dollars.

Given the long, harsh winter and lengthy wet spring thaw, there were many issues with local gravel roads. We heard from many concerned residents. To date most, if not all, of these road concerns have been resolved and calcium has been applied as a dust suppressant. Town Council has authorized \$370,000 to purchase and apply 40,000 tonnes of aggregate to these severely impacted sections of Town roads - those in the poorest condition.

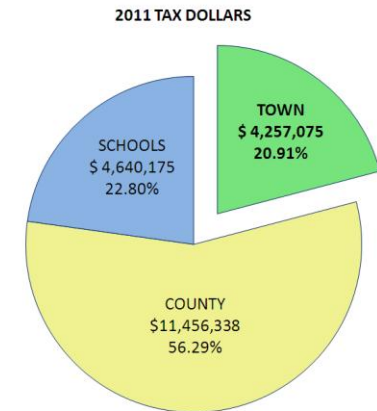
Finally there has been some movement in the Erin ambulance service question. Beginning July 1, the City of Guelph will be placing a newly staffed ambulance originating out of the Fergus ambulance bay to service East Wellington (Erin). Furthermore, commencing July 1st there will be a 120 day review period to determine how effective this new ambulance is in reducing Erin's lengthy ambulance call response times. We hope that it succeeds in doing just that and that we receive greater and timelier service from our tax funded ambulance provider - the City of Guelph.

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**TOWN OF ERIN
2011 TAXPAYER INFORMATION**

**YOUR 2011 RESIDENTIAL
TAX DOLLAR SHARED**



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TOLL FREE: 1-877-818-2888

OFFICE HOURS weekdays (except holidays)
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

WEBSITE: www.erin.ca

CALCULATING YOUR TAX BILL

The final installments of the 2011 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 (www.erin.ca) or are available at the Municipal Office for enrollment in the monthly payment plan.

COMMERCIAL TAX BILLS:

Tax Bills for properties in any of the Commercial or Industrial property classes will be mailed separately. Year 2011 capping adjustments and notices detailing any adjustment will be included with that final billing. Anticipated mailing date for these bills is late August. Commercial, industrial, and multi-residential installments are due **September 30th** and **November 30th, 2011**.

To calculate your total 2011 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:

2011 TAX RATES

| ASSESSMENT CLASS | CODE | 2011 TAX RATES | | | |
|--------------------------------|------|----------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | | MUNICIPAL | COUNTY | EDUCATION | TOTAL |
| Residential | RT | 0.00254944 | 0.00686087 | 0.00231000 | 0.01172031 |
| Multi-Residential | MT | 0.00509888 | 0.01372174 | 0.00231000 | 0.02113062 |
| Commercial | CT | 0.00349567 | 0.00940730 | 0.01122856 | 0.02413153 |
| Commercial excess land | CU | 0.00244697 | 0.00658511 | 0.00785999 | 0.01689207 |
| Commercial vacant land | CX | 0.00244697 | 0.00658511 | 0.00785999 | 0.01689207 |
| New commercial | XT | 0.00349567 | 0.00940730 | 0.01122856 | 0.02413153 |
| Commercial farmland class I | C1 | 0.00191208 | 0.00514565 | 0.00173250 | 0.00879023 |
| Industrial | IT | 0.00623083 | 0.01676796 | 0.01757956 | 0.04057835 |
| Industrial farmland class I | I1 | 0.00191208 | 0.00514565 | 0.00173250 | 0.00879023 |
| Industrial farmland class II | I4 | 0.00623083 | 0.01676796 | 0.01757956 | 0.04057835 |
| Industrial excess/vacant unit | IU | 0.00405004 | 0.01089917 | 0.01142671 | 0.02637592 |
| Industrial vacant unit | IX | 0.00405004 | 0.01089917 | 0.01142671 | 0.02637592 |
| Industrial taxable shared | IH | 0.00623083 | 0.01676796 | 0.01757956 | 0.04057835 |
| Large Industrial | LT | 0.00623083 | 0.01676796 | 0.01757956 | 0.04057835 |
| Large Industrial excess/vacant | LU | 0.00405004 | 0.01089917 | 0.01142671 | 0.02637592 |
| Farm | FT | 0.00063736 | 0.00171522 | 0.00057750 | 0.00293008 |
| Pipelines | PT | 0.00538876 | 0.01450185 | 0.01782164 | 0.03771225 |
| Managed Forest | TT | 0.00063736 | 0.00171522 | 0.00057750 | 0.00293008 |

HOW TO CALCULATE YOUR TAXES:

| Property Class | Assessment | X | Tax Rate | = | Total Tax \$'s |
|----------------|------------|---|------------|---|----------------|
| RT | 363,750. | X | 0.00254944 | = | \$927.36 |

2011 TAX IMPACT ON TYPICAL ERIN PROPERTY:

*Example calculation provided on an actual property by OPTA
 – Ontario Ministry of Finance Online Property Tax Analysis Tool

| Single Family Home | RT | 2010 CVA | 2011 CVA | %CVA Change | 2010 Taxes | 2011 Taxes | % Tax Change |
|--------------------|----|----------|----------|-------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Town | | 344,500 | 363,750 | 5.59% | \$899.07 | \$927.36 | 3.15% |
| County | | | | | \$2,436.91 | \$2,495.64 | 2.41% |
| Educ | | | | | \$830.24 | \$840.26 | 1.21% |
| Total | | | | | \$4,166.22 | \$4,263.26 | 2.33% |

2011 - WHERE YOUR TAX DOLLARS ARE SPENT:

| | |
|---------------------------|------------|
| for WELLINGTON COUNTY | \$2,495.64 |
| for SCHOOLS | \$840.26 |
| for TOWN OF ERIN purposes | \$927.36 |
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| GEN GOV'T | \$173.24 |
| FIRE & EMERGENCY | \$97.96 |
| ROADS | \$387.98 |
| RECREATION | \$148.20 |
| PLAN/ECON DEV | \$28.94 |
| ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES | \$27.23 |
| CONSERVATION AUTHORITIES | \$23.46 |
| OTHER | \$40.37 |

Based on Typical Erin Home
 Total Tax Dollars \$4,263.26
 Assessment Value \$363,750

THE COUNTY OF WELLINGTON – 2011 BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

The County's 2011 budget protects key County priorities including community safety, the environment, social services and maintaining quality libraries. The budget includes a capital investment plan that will renew and improve existing County infrastructure and services.

The County funds a wider range of public services including County roads, solid waste management, public safety (police, ambulance, emergency management and public health), social services (housing, income support and child care) and cultural programmes (libraries and the County Museum and Archives). The County's annual operating budget exceeds \$166 million, with a further \$27.1 million in capital expenditures projected in 2011. Service enhancements in the 2011 budget include:

- Two new uniformed OPP officers
- Redevelopment of the Harriston library branch
- \$6.2 million capital investment in social housing units across Wellington and Guelph
- \$12.2 million capital investment in roads and bridges across the County
- The construction of a Northern Tree Nursery to expand the County's tree protection for the Green Legacy programme – the Green Legacy Trees Nursery will produce 157,000 trees in 2011
- Renovations to the existing OPP building in Fergus will be completed to make the facility suitable for a Social Services office.
- The County will increase the annual funding for the Rural Water Quality Programme (administered by the Grand River Conservation Authority) to \$450,000.

County of Wellington

Program/Service

| | Portion of each County tax \$\$\$ |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Roads | \$ 0.24 |
| Police Services | \$ 0.22 |
| Social Services | \$ 0.11 |
| County Library System | \$ 0.08 |
| Solid Waste Services | \$ 0.07 |
| Home for the Aged | \$ 0.05 |
| Land Ambulance | \$ 0.04 |
| Treasury | \$ 0.04 |
| Public Health | \$ 0.03 |
| Planning | \$ 0.02 |
| Museum and Archives | \$ 0.02 |
| Property Assessment | \$ 0.02 |
| County Property | \$ 0.01 |
| Human Resources | \$ 0.01 |
| County Council | \$ 0.01 |
| Office of CAO & Clerk | \$ 0.01 |
| Emerg. Management | \$ 0.01 |
| Green Legacy | \$ 0.01 |

Total \$1.00

TAX RELIEF PROGRAMMES

The County and its member municipalities provide tax relief programmes for low-income seniors and low-income persons with disabilities. In addition, there is a tax rebate programme for charities and other similar organizations which either own or lease space in a commercial or industrial property. To find out more about these programs, contact the County or your local municipal office, or visit our website at www.wellington.ca