



Township of Armour

GENERAL INFORMATION

Final tax bills for 2021 are due in two installments, the first half is due on September 24 and the second half is due on October 29. A fee of \$45 will be charged for any cheque returned from a financial institution. We offer a preauthorized payment plan with several options. We now accept E-Mail money transfers! If you would like to pay with this option, please contact Alison McGregor, Deputy Treasurer. Credit card payments are accepted through Plastiq and can be accessed through our website, fees apply. Arrears of taxes accrue interest at a rate of 1.25% per month.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Time is everything when a smoke alarm activates; get out, stay out and call 911. Review your escape plan. Test smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors regularly. Contact Cameron Haffner, Fire Prevention Office 705-788-4676.

BY-LAW OFFICER

Responsible pet ownership starts by licensing your dogs with the Township. Dog licenses expire every year on December 31. Jason Newman, By-law Enforcement Officer, can be reached at 705-477-3793 or bylaw@armourtownship.ca

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Building permits allow the municipality to protect the interests of both individuals and the community. Applications are available on our website or at the municipal office. Site plan control may also apply. Paul Schaefer, Chief Building Official can be reached at 705-382-3332 or cbo@armourtownship.ca

ROADS DEPARTMENT

Contact Keith McCoy at 705-382-5982 for road inquiries. It takes several hours for our equipment to work over the entire road system. In a winter storm, our crew is out on the job. Please be patient, we will get to your road as soon as we can. If you're aware of a road hazard, please notify us.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The Almaguin Community Economic Development (ACED) Department invites you to check out Staycation in Almaguin! Visit the Almaguin Highlands Tourism Facebook page to learn about great activities and tons of reasons to explore our amazing region! Own a business in Almaguin? Thinking about starting one? Reach out to us to learn about valuable resources and tools that may be available to you. Visit [Http://investalmaguin.ca](http://investalmaguin.ca) or call Dave Gray, Director of Economic Development at 705-571-1564

LIBRARY

Join the Burk's Falls Library this fall! Look forward to exciting new programs and workshops including a virtual Garden Harvest with Midlothian Valley Farms and an autumn themed Story Walk along the Heritage River Walk. Follow us on social media to stay up-to-date on all our upcoming activities!

MPAC

NO ASSESSMENT UPDATE THIS YEAR

As part of the Ontario Government's Budget on March 24, the Minister of Finance announced the Province's decision to once again postpone a province-wide property assessment update due to the pandemic.

Property assessments for the 2022 property tax year will continue to be based on January 1, 2016 current values. This means your property assessment remains the same as it was for the 2021 tax year, unless there have been changes to your property, for example:

- A change to your property including an addition, new construction, or renovation.
- A structure on your property was assessed for the first time
- A change to your property's classification
- A property no longer qualifies as farmland, conservation land or managed forests
- All or part of your property no longer qualifies to be tax exempt

MPAC will continue to update property information to enable the people of Ontario to access impartial property data for smart business planning and strategy development.

We also continue to support the 444 municipalities across the province with assessing new properties, renovations, and property improvements to support the management of their assessment base.

LANDFILL – 141 CHETWYND ROAD

Just taking a few extra minutes to sort and prepare your recyclables properly can make a big difference. Think of it as an investment in the health of our environment and the benefits will last generations – because some of the products we use will sit for hundreds of years in a landfill. Please keep your Landfill Cards as they **will be automatically topped up at the end of the year with an amount predetermined by Council**. Lost or stolen cards can be deactivated and the remaining value can be reloaded to a replacement card. A fee of \$10+ HST applies to a replacement card.

HAZMAT DAY

HAZMAT is scheduled for August 28, 2021 at the Strong Township Landfill #1 – Access through Inlet Creek Road. 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Please like and follow them on Facebook; [Almaguin Recycling Initiative](#)

CODERED

CodeRED is a free emergency notification service offered by the Township. We can notify residents and businesses by telephone or cellular phone about local emergency situations. Visit our website for more information.

COUNCIL

Bob Macphail, Reeve 705-636-7678
Rod Blakelock, Councillor 705-382-3113
Jerry Brandt, Councillor 705-382-6502
Wendy Whitwell, Councillor 705-384-7635
Rod Ward, Councillor 705-380-7177

CONTACT

Municipal Office, 56 Ontario Street
705-382-3332
Municipal Garage, 564 Garage Road
705-382-5982

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Home Fire Safety Checklist

In an emergency call **911** for all other inquiries please contact

Fire Prevention Officer Cameron Haffner at 705-788-4676 or chaffner.bffd@gmail.com

Fire Chief Dave McNay at 705-382-4010 or chiefbffd@gmail.com

Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Alarms

- ☐ Install working smoke alarms on every storey of the home and outside all sleeping areas. Install carbon monoxide alarms outside all sleeping areas. It's the law.
- ☐ For extra protection, install a smoke alarm in every bedroom and a carbon monoxide alarm on every storey.
- ☐ Test your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms once a month.
- ☐ Change alarm batteries annually or whenever the low-battery warning sounds.
- ☐ Always follow the manufacturer's instructions for installing, testing, maintaining and replacing smoke and carbon monoxide alarms.

Home Fire Escape Planning

- ☐ Develop a home fire escape plan and practice it with the entire family.
- ☐ Make sure everyone knows two ways out of each room, if possible.
- ☐ Determine who will be responsible for helping young children, older adults or anyone else that may need assistance when escaping.
- ☐ Choose a meeting place outside, such as a tree or lamp post, where everyone can be accounted for.
- ☐ Call the fire department from outside the home, from a cell phone or neighbour's home.
- ☐ Once out, stay out. Never re-enter a burning building.
- ☐ Keep all exits in the home clear and easy to use.

Cooking Fire Safety

- ☐ Always stay in the kitchen when you are cooking.
- ☐ Keep anything that can catch fire — oven mitts, wooden utensils, food packaging, towels or curtains — away from your stovetop.
- ☐ Keep a proper fitting pot lid near the stove when cooking. If a pot catches fire slide the lid over the pot and turn off the stove. Do not move the pot.
- ☐ Wear tight-fitting or rolled up sleeves when using the stove. Loose dangling clothing can easily catch fire. If your clothing catches fire, stop, drop to the ground and roll over and over to put out the fire.

Other Things to Consider to Prevent Fire in Your Home

- ☐ Keep matches and lighters out of the sight and reach of children.
- ☐ Always blow out candles before leaving the room.
- ☐ If anyone in the home smokes, smoke outside.
- ☐ Ensure items that can burn are one metre away from space heaters.
- ☐ Avoid overloading the electrical outlets. Extension cords should be used only as a temporary connection.