

MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2024

TOWNSHIP OF



MATACHEWAN

Vision Statement

Matachewan strives to preserve its friendliness and to create a progressive community that will have economic growth and bring wealth to all through strong leadership and community involvement.

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Taxes

Interest of 1.25% per month will be added to all unpaid taxes after the due date.

Water/utility

interest of 5% will be added to unpaid utility bill after the due date

Tax and utility bills payments can be made by

DEBIT, cheque, cash or at the bank, online from RBC, TD, BMO, and Credit Union.

Email

accounting@matachewan.ca for Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) payments,

use "What township is it?" as the security question "Matachewan" as the answer.

Water Bills	Dates
# 1 Send out	February 16/24
Due	March 29/24
# 2 Send out	May 17/24
Due	June 28/24
# 3 Send out	August 16/24
Due	September 27/24
# 4 Send out	November 08/24
Due	December 13/24
TAX & WATER SCHEDULE 2025	
Interim Taxes	Dates
Send out	January 17/25
1st Installment Due	February 27/25
2nd Installment Due	April 25/25
Final Taxes	Dates
Send out	July 18/25
1st Installment Due	August 28/25
2nd Installment Due	October 24/25
Water Bills	Dates
# 1 Send out	February 14/25
Due	March 28/25
# 2 Send out	May 16/25
Due	June 27/25
# 3 Send out	August 15/25
Due	September 26/25
# 4 Send out	November 07/25
Due	December 12/25

Municipal Office Holiday Hours

November 11th– Closed for Remembrance Day

December 24th– 8:30am–12:00pm

December 25th–January 1st Closed

January 2nd & 3rd office Closed to Public for Year End

January 6th 2025 8:30am–5:00pm



THE SALVATION ARMY DELIVERS TO MATACHEWAN!

Near the end of every month, a food-drop off will be made if services are required. Salvation Army Phone #: 1-705-567-5877

or E-mail: KLfoodbank@salvationarmy.ca

New clients will need to complete an intake form

Must reach out to notify that services will be needed each month

Accepted Recycling Practices

What can I put in my clear recycling bag?

- Empty plastics that contain the recycling symbol on them (water bottles and laundry soap containers)
- Empty steel and aluminum cans used for food and drink (soup cans and soda cans)
- Empty paper products (newspaper and cereal boxes etc.)
- Empty glass jars (spaghetti jars and drink containers etc.)
- Broken down cardboard boxes
- Electronics (cell phones, tvs, radios, batteries)

General rules

- All cardboard must be broken down flat for recycling. Very large amounts should be bundled together.
- Cardboard boxes cannot be used as recycling bins for mixed recycling, however a box can be used to contain other broken down cardboard boxes.
- Black bags are not accepted for containing recycling. Clear bags are accepted.
- No food waste
- No medical waste
- No wood or metal scraps
- No cigarette butts
- No human or animal waste
- No large heavy carts for loose recycling (we must be able to safely lift and tip and recycling container) but you can use the larger carts to hold your clear bags.
- No Kleenex, toilette paper, paper towels, pads or tampons
- No clothes, fabrics, shoes etc.
- No pots, pans, dishes, vases etc.
- Collectors will not be verbally or physically abused or bullied. This will result in discontinued collection services to your residence or business.
- Inappropriate materials will be left behind

Matachewan Landfill Hours

Open Holiday Mondays from Victoria Day to Thanksgiving

Monday	<u>CLOSED</u>
Tuesday	10:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday	<u>CLOSED</u>
Thursday	10:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Friday	<u>CLOSED</u>
Saturday	10:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Sunday	<u>CLOSED</u>

Recycling Dates

Recycling Pick up is every other Wednesday

November 6 November 20

December 4 December 18

Recycling

If you wish to contact

Eco Logix Please call

705-647-2322

Matachewan Volunteer Fire Department

Fire Chief : Mike Schoenwald Cell: 905-767-7094

Email: matachewanfire@matachewan.ca

We are Still Looking For Volunteers to join our team Contact Fire Chief Mike



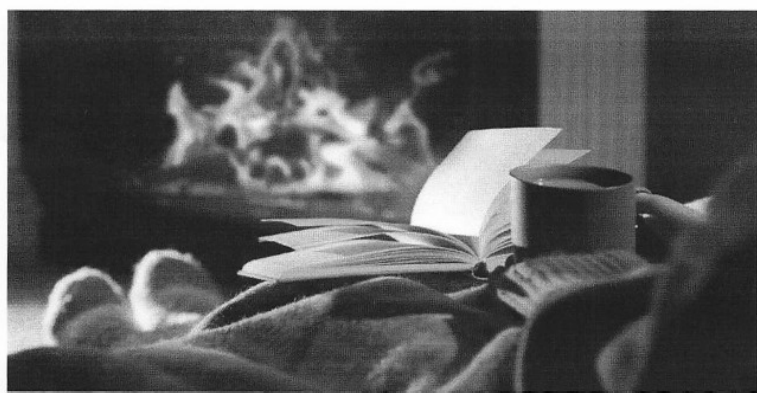
Parking By-Law 2012-13

Please be aware that snow removal is happening now. Please remember that vehicles must be parked off of municipal streets, at night, between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 7:30 am from November 1st to April 15th

Water Lines Reminder

Reminder to our Community that frost can cause water lines to freeze. In order to prevent your water lines from freezing, Please ensure you have a water bleeder installed. Should your water lines Freeze, an outside company would need to be called in, and the homeowner will be responsible for the cost of thawing the line

The Crucial Role of Chimney Cleaning: Ensuring Safety and Efficiency



The cozy warmth of a crackling fire in the fireplace is the ultimate comfort during colder months. However, there is a critical aspect of maintaining a safe and efficient wood burning fireplace or stove – chimney cleaning. Often overlooked, chimney cleaning plays a pivotal role in ensuring not only the safety of your household but also the efficiency and longevity of your hearth appliance. In this blog post, you'll learn why regular chimney cleaning should be a top priority for every homeowner.

1. Preventing Fire Hazards

One of the most compelling reasons to prioritize chimney cleaning is the prevention of fire hazards. As you enjoy your wood burning fireplace, stove (or pellet stove) creosote – a highly flammable substance – accumulates on the interior walls of your chimney. Creosote is a byproduct of burning solid fuel like wood or pellets, and over time, it can build up and create a thick layer that increases the risk of chimney fires. These fires can be extremely dangerous, potentially leading to the spread of fire throughout your home. Regular chimney cleaning removes this hazardous buildup, significantly reducing the likelihood of a damaging chimney fire.

2. Ensuring Proper Ventilation

A clean chimney ensures proper ventilation for your hearth appliances. When a chimney becomes clogged with creosote, debris or animal nests, it can obstruct the flow of exhaust gases. This obstruction can cause harmful gases, like carbon monoxide, to be forced back into your living space rather than being safely vented outdoors. Carbon monoxide is colourless, odourless and highly toxic, making it a silent but deadly threat.

Regular chimney cleaning ensures these gases are properly vented and maintains your home's indoor air quality.

3. Maximizing Heating Efficiency

A clean chimney also contributes to an efficiently burning fireplace. When a chimney is obstructed, the draft necessary for proper combustion and heat transfer is compromised. This can lead to inefficient burning, decreased heat output, and an overall wastage of energy. By keeping your chimney clean, your hearth appliance can work at its optimal efficiency, saving you money on energy bills and the environment from unnecessary resource consumption.

4. Extending Appliance Lifespan

Chimney cleaning goes beyond immediate safety concerns; it also impacts the lifespan of your heating appliances. A buildup of creosote and other debris can accelerate the deterioration of your chimney's lining, as well as the interior components of your fireplace. Over time, this can lead to premature wear-and-tear and costly repairs. Regular maintenance, including chimney cleaning, helps keep your fireplace in good working order for many years to come.

5. Professional Expertise

Look for a WETT-certified expert who will have the knowledge, tools, and experience to thoroughly clean and inspect your chimney, identifying any potential issues that require attention. A professional chimney sweep can provide you with peace of mind, knowing your chimney is in capable hands and your home's safety is a top priority.

Do not overlook the importance of chimney cleaning! The safety, efficiency, and longevity benefits it provides are undeniable. By investing in professional chimney cleaning, you are not only safeguarding your home, but also contributing to a more sustainable and energy-efficient living environment.

Find a service company specializing in hearth appliances near you at www.members.hpbacanada.org/find-a-member or visit wettinc.ca.

Winter Storms – Get Prepared

How to prepare before a winter storm

A major winter storm can last for days and make travel difficult. It is important to ensure there are enough supplies at home until conditions improve.

- Prepare your emergency kit. Learn more about what items to put in your kit, including quick and easy steps you can take right away
- Make a household emergency plan. Consider the specific needs of all members of your household, including older adults, children, pets, and anyone with special health needs
- Protect yourself from carbon monoxide poisoning in the event of a power outage
- If you must travel during winter weather, take safety precautions and plan your trip
- Have a plan to shelter pets and farm animals
- Check on older adult relatives and neighbours to ensure they have sufficient supplies when a winter storm is expected. They may not be able to safely go outside to shop and may require food, medications, and other supplies to prepare

Where to get information

- Stay connected to weather alert services that share weather warnings, watches, advisories and statements:
 - WeatherCAN app provides local weather alert notifications
 - Weather information including public weather alerts across Canada
 - Weatheradio network hosts a listing of radio weather broadcast frequencies by province or territory
 - Hello Weather provides forecasts, conditions, and other weather information by telephone
 - Local radio and television broadcasts will help you stay up to date with the latest local weather information

Citizen of the Year 2024

The Municipal Office is now accepting
Nominations for
Citizen of the year 2024

If you know of a deserving person or
group send your nominations to:

The Township of Matachewan
P.O BOX 177 Matachewan, P0K 1M0
Or by Email admin@matachewan.ca



Township of Matachewan CHRISTMAS Food Hampers

If you know someone in our Community
who could benefit
or is in need of a hamper

Please write their name, address &
phone number in a sealed envelope
and leave it in our drop box outside
the Township office

Township of Matachewan CHRISTMAS Food Hampers Donations

Donations of the following Items can be dropped
off at the Township Office

Each Hamper Requires

- Canned Corn
- Canned Peas
- Canned mixed Vegetables
- Boxed Stuffing
- Cranberry Sauces
- Jug or Bottle of Juice

JOIN US FOR A Santa Clause Parade

November 29th
starting at 6:30pm

The tree lighting
ceremony will follow
at the Recreation
Hall at 7:30pm.

Bring your hot dogs
and marshmallows
for the bonfire!



BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

November 30, 2024 from 9-11 AM at the Rec Hall
ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST!
Hosted by the Matachewan Recreation Committee