



HCM News



Mayor's Message

Head, Clara & Maria's Senior of the Year - Call for Nominations

Please help us honour a worthy senior in our community!

The Ontario Senior of the Year Award gives each municipality in Ontario the opportunity to honour one outstanding local Ontarian who after the age of 65 and a resident of Ontario has enriched the social, cultural, or civic life of his or her community.

Recipients have made their community a better place to live. Seniors (65 years and older) who qualify for this award may have contributed in many different fields, such as the arts, literature, community service, volunteerism, education, fitness and sport or humanitarian activities. Elected federal, provincial, municipal, or political appointees are not eligible for this award.

Previous recipients of this award are: Marlene Gibson, Betty Condie, Linda Chartrand, Gayle Watters, Jim Gibson, and Cathy Sutherland.

Submit your nomination with a description of your nominee's contribution to the community's social, cultural, or civic life. Send to clerk@headclaramaria.ca or drop off at the municipal office during regular working hours.

Nomination deadline is Thursday April 27th.

-Mayor Debbi Grills

The County of Renfrew completed the replacement of dual culverts on Dunlop Crescent early April.



The road still needs to be paved and guiderails installed. Motorists are asked to proceed with caution in the area.

Reminders from the Municipal Office

Property Taxes

Interim property tax payments were due February 28th, 2023. Outstanding property tax accounts accrue interest on a monthly basis. Final property tax bills will be issued the first week of July. Payments can be made via e-transfer to payments@headclaramaria.ca, over the phone with a credit card, or in the office by cheque, debit/credit or cash. Cheques can be mailed to 15 Township Hall Road, Stonecliffe ON K0J 2K0. Please do not send cash via regular mail. Customers of Scotiabank can also add the municipality as a payee and make their property tax payments through their financial institution.

**Please note, ensure property information (roll number and address) is submitted with your payment regardless of the method so that your payment can be applied to the proper account.*

Burn Permits

As of April 1st, a burn permit is required for anyone planning to burn brush, grass etc. on your property. This excludes small campfires. The municipality has implemented a seasonal permit system which requires the property owner to fill out an application online or in the municipal office. The cost is \$5 and is valid for the whole season; April 1– October 31. Once you have your permit, all you have to do is call or email the office when you are burning so that we can inform the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry; which is a component of our annual agreement.



Building Permits

A building permit gives you legal authorization to start construction of a building project in accordance with approved drawings and specifications. Building permits are issued by the Township through its CBO and are reviewed for compliance with the Ontario Building Code, the Municipal Zoning by-law, Building by-law and other applicable provincial, county and municipal regulations. Building permits are necessary to ensure that zoning requirements, fire and structural safety standards as well as other building standards are met. Please visit the municipal website, or contact the CBO, before beginning any new renovation projects to see if a building permit is required.



Trailer Permits

Council has recently reviewed and updated the Trailer By-Law in 2022; previously adopted in 2006. The newly updated By-Law 2021-47 provides that any person occupying a trailer on vacant land in the municipality must apply for a Trailer Permit. A seasonal fee of \$200 is payable by May 1st of each year and an application must be filled out and reviewed by municipal staff to ensure proper heating, waste disposal etc. is adequately met. Every person wishing to occupy a trailer on vacant land, and obtain a trailer license, must obtain a property identification number. Please contact the municipal office for more information.



Lending Hub

Our Lending Hub has a variety of equipment to be loaned to residents at no cost, including kayaks, paddleboards, bicycles and sports equipment for all ages. Please call or stop in at the office for more information. An agreement and waiver must be signed with ID and credit card information kept on file.

HCM Public Library



June Jazaar
June 3, 2023

Stonecliffe Township Hall
Inside and Outside
10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Vendors, Flea Market,
Silent auction, Basket Draws,
Snacks,
used Books, DVD's, Magazines

Contact Cathy Sutherland
mcsutherland1954@gmail.com for details

Supporting Head, Clara and Maria Public Library

Lots of new books are available to be checked out from the library, featuring titles such as; Louise Penny- A World Of Curiosities, Kate Thompson-The Little Wartime Library and Many other great reads!

Have you checked out our DVD Pool? New movies are brought into our library every couple of months and are ready to be borrowed!

Our library is open every week day in a self-serve format and all are welcome to use at their own discretion, and is open 12:30 to 3:00 p.m. on Saturdays.

The Library is looking for new donations for our June Jazaar; if you have anything you'd like to donate please contact us at hcmlibra13@gmail.com or 613 586 1950.

The Head Clara & Maria Public Library Presents; Adopt an Author

- ★ Do you have a favourite Author?
- ★ Do you like to be the first to read their new book when it is released?
- ★ Or are you more of a movie person?
- ★ Do you have a favourite Director or movie genre?
- ★ Do you like to be the first to watch their newest film?

We have a program that will allow you to be the first person to enjoy your favourite author or directors newest releases while also supporting our library.

Here's how it works:

- ★ Send us an email to hcmlibra13@gmail.com with the author or director you would like to "adopt"
- ★ We will get their latest release and call you when it is in
- ★ You pay for it in exchange for a tax receipt (minimum donation to receive a receipt is \$20) and you get the first opportunity to borrow it.
- ★ Books Must be returned after 3 weeks

Thank you for helping us increase our collection!

Recreation

Trail Side Café is a wrap for 2023! Thank you to all volunteers who helped make this event a success and to all those who came out and supported the Café. The Committee raised approximately \$1260 over the four weekends in February!

85 people came out to enjoy some St. Patrick's Karaoke and Irish Stew on March 18th. Lots of singing, dancing and laughs were had! Again, thank you to all the volunteers, and those who support our events; otherwise these functions would not be possible. Approximately \$485 was raised from this event!

The Committee is looking to continue events into summer, with Canada Day Celebrations. We are looking for volunteers who can contribute to planning and organizing the events, setting up the event spaces, cooking, preparing and serving food, and washing dishes. If you are interested in helping out with this event, please contact Stephany at admin@headclaramaria.ca or 613-586-2526. Events are not possible without volunteers!

The Recreation Advisory Committee is seeking volunteer members to serve on the committee. If you are looking for an active way to contribute to your community by helping to plan and execute events and fundraising efforts for the municipality, the Recreation Advisory Committee is a great opportunity. Meetings are typically scheduled once per month. The Terms of Reference can be viewed on the municipal website at [Terms of Reference \(townshipsofheadclaramaria.ca\)](https://www.townshipsofheadclaramaria.ca/terms-of-reference).

Municipal Property Assessment Corporation

Property owners in Ontario are required to support a school board, even if they do not have children or their children are not currently attending school. In the case of a residential property occupied by tenants, the tenants can direct the school support for that property. By default, school support is directed to your municipality's English Public School Board.

The Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) is legislatively required to collect school support information and provide it in the assessment roll to every municipality and school board. By ensuring that you are supporting the school board of your choosing, you will be able to vote in the next municipal and school board election for trustees in that school board. Property owners, occupants, and tenants can update their school support designation online at mpac.ca/schoolsupport.

Direction of School Support

School Support Designation

As a property owner in Ontario, you are required to support a school board, even if you do not have children or your children are not currently attending school. By default, your school support is directed to your municipality's English Public School Board.

In the case of a residential property occupied by tenants, they can direct the school support for that property.

Property owners, occupants, and tenants can select which school board they choose to support. Additionally, you will be able to vote in the next municipal election for trustees for the school board that you choose to support.

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Changing your school support online



Based on your eligibility, property owners and tenants registered with MPAC can view and update the school support designation online.

To learn more about eligibility requirements or change your school support designation, please visit mpac.ca/schoolsupport or scan the QR code.

What if I have difficulty updating my school support online?

A step-by-step guide is available on mpac.ca which will help users navigate MPAC's school support portal. Alternatively, you can obtain the Application for Direction of School Support (ADSS) Form from mpac.ca or from your school board's office. To register or for further assistance with the online school support tool, you can contact MPAC's Customer Contact Centre at 1-866-296-6722 or 1-877 889-6722 (TTY).

Municipal Property Assessment Corporation contact information:

1340 Pickering Parkway, Suite 101
Pickering ON L1V 0C4
Email via: mpac.ca/ContactUs





WHERE:

**TOWNSHIP HALL
STONECLIFFE**

WHEN:

SUNDAYS AT 1:30 PM

COST:

\$2.00

2023 DATES

April 23

May 7

The United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria



**Special Meeting of Council
Public Open House
to discuss the 2022-2026
Strategic Plan**

**Saturday June 17th, 2023
at 1:00 p.m.**

**Stonecliffe Community Center
15 Township Hall Road
Stonecliffe ON**

Council is seeking public input for the 2022-2026
Strategic Plan

Public can also send input to clerk@headclaramaria.ca if
unable to attend the Open House

Call Crystal Fischer, Clerk, at 613-586-2526 or your
member of Council for more information

COR Planning Services

On May 3rd, 2023, County of Renfrew Planners will be at the municipal office from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm and will be available to answer questions regarding severances, zoning or planning.

If you are considering severing a parcel of land, re-zoning a piece of property or have any other planning related questions that you would to speak to a planner about, please contact the municipal office to schedule an appointment. Drop-ins are welcome, however you may have to wait if the Planners are in a previously scheduled meeting.

2023 CWL Bingo Dates

April 30

May 28



The CWL would like to Thank Council for their donation towards the Christmas Party!

Proceeds from the 2022 Bingos include:

August—\$1013 to the Cemetery Board

September—\$645 to North Renfrew Family Services

October—\$607.50 to P.E.I Victims of Hurricane Fiona

November—\$700 to the Deep River Food Bank

Thank you to all who donated and supported us by coming out to our Bingos!

Thank you to Staff for your help.

The United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria



MUNICIPAL HAZARDOUS AND SPECIAL WASTE

SATURDAY, MAY 27, 2023

9:00 A.M.—1:00 P.M.

KENNY ROAD LANDFILL SITE

Latex or oil based paints and coating	Automobile and household batteries
Solvents or turpentine	Oven & Window cleaners
Used oil filters	Lubricating oil & containers
Antifreeze and containers	BBQ lighter fluids
Propane cylinders	Aerosol containers
Florescent bulbs/tubes	Gasoline and Waste Oil
Mercury switches/thermometers	Needles & Syringes
Pharmaceuticals	Fire Extinguishers
Fertilizers & Pesticides	Insecticides & Herbicides
Disinfectants	Rat & Mouse Poisons
Pool Chemicals	

*For more information, please call the municipal office at
613-586-2526 or email clerk@headclaramaria.ca.*

Recycling Dates

(Stonecliffe and Mackey)

2023

April 17

May 1, 15, 29

June 12, 26

July 10, 24

August 9, 21

September 6, 18

October 2, 16, 30

November 13, 27

December 11, 27

Disposal Site Hours

Bissett Creek Site

Tuesday 12:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Saturday 12:45 - 3:45 pm

Located on Bissett Creek Road

Stonecliffe Site

Thursday 12:45 pm - 4:15 pm

Saturday 8:30 am - 12:00 pm

Located on Kenny Road

Collection Days and Times

Deux Rivières (garbage and recycling)

Tuesday 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Bissett Creek (garbage and recycling)

Tuesday 11:30 am - 12:00 noon

Stonecliffe

Thursday 11:00 am - 12:00 noon

Mackey

Thursday 9:00 am - 11:00 am

** Estimated times; please ensure your
waste is out for pick up by 8:00 am to
ensure collection.*



RECYCLING Sorting Guide

900 Woito Station Rd., Pembroke 613-735-7537 info@ovwrc.com www.ovwrc.com

CONTAINER RECYCLING

✓ RECYCLABLES MUST BE EMPTY AND RINSED



Return all eligible liquor, wine, beer containers to
the Beer Store for a refund.

DO NOT PUT IN RECYCLING

- ✗ Containers filled with liquid
- ✗ Home Health Care Waste
- ✗ Sharps & Needles (dispose of at your local pharmacy)
- ✗ Sharp items such as knives
- ✗ Batteries
- ✗ Propane Tanks
- ✗ Plastic Bags
- ✗ Styrofoam
- ✗ Black Plastic

PAPER RECYCLING



Please refer to your local Municipality for
additional information on recycling and waste
services.

Container Recycling & Paper Recycling must be kept separate.
Please ensure recycling contains no hazardous waste or food
waste.

INFORMATION

Emergency Management

Thunderstorms

Thunderstorms can bring lightning, heavy rain, hail, strong winds and tornadoes.



Hazard information

Lightning kills about nine Canadians each year and seriously injures more than 100 people.

Safety tips

- be aware of weather conditions and warnings
 - seek shelter immediately if a warning has been issued or you believe one could occur
- If you are indoors:
- Stay away from windows, skylights and glass doors — strong winds and large hailstones can shatter them.
 - Avoid running water in your house — lightning can enter through pipes and plumbing.
 - Don't take showers or baths during a thunderstorm.
 - Remain indoors during a thunderstorm and stay inside for at least 30 minutes after the last rumble of thunder.
 - Be prepared to seek shelter in a basement or interior room on the lowest level if conditions worsen.
- If you are outdoors:
- If you hear thunder, then lightning is close enough to be dangerous — take shelter in an enclosed building or metal-topped vehicle.
 - Avoid water, high ground, isolated trees, power lines and picnic shelters — small, open structures don't protect you from lightning.
 - If there's no shelter, go to a low-lying area away from tall, isolated objects — crouch down and put your feet together — do not lie down.

Prepare now

Take the following steps so you and your family are prepared in the event of an emergency:

- Have a safe room in your home where everyone gathers during a storm — away from windows, skylights and glass doors.
- If there's a tornado, gather in a basement, storm cellar or interior room on the lowest floor.
- Remove dead or rotting trees and branches that could fall and cause injury or damage.
- Bring inside or tie-down garbage cans and lawn furniture.
- Use surge protectors — a safety electrical plug that will shut off the power if lightning strikes to prevent damage to your computer and other household items.

Emergency Preparedness (EP) Week will take place from May 7 –13, 2023.

Updates and information will be posted on the Municipality's Facebook page and website. Please visit [Ontario.ca/beprepared](https://ontario.ca/beprepared) for more information.

The Municipality is seeking Volunteer Assessors for Emergency Management in Head, Clara and Maria. This includes checking roads and homes for damage in case of an emergency. If you are interested in becoming a Volunteer Assessor, or would like more information, please contact ad-

United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria

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HCM Mission: At your service; working effectively to bring together people, partnerships and potential for a strong, connected community.

HCM Vision: Providing a healthy, connected and sustainable community teeming with possibilities for our citizens now and into the future.

We're on the web!
townshipsofheadclaramaria.ca



A Natural Playground

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2023 Council Meeting Schedule

Thursday April 20 - 2:00 pm

Thursday May 18 - 2:00 pm

Thursday June 15 - 2:00 pm

Saturday June 17 - 1:00 pm

Saturday August 26 - 1:00 pm

Thursday September 21 - 2:00 pm

Thursday October 19 - 2:00 pm

Thursday November 16 - 2:00 pm

Thursday December 21 - 2:00 pm

Public Feedback

In conjunction with Marmak Technologies, Council and Staff are looking for public feedback on the municipality's facilities. The municipality has been working with Marmak since 2019, through grant funding, to improve the Asset Management Plan and program. Residents and visitors can scan the QR code to enter feedback on a variety of the municipality's facilities including the municipal office, community centre, library, disposal sites and parks! This feedback, along with that gathered through Strategic Planning, will help Council in planning and ensuring that the levels of service are meeting community needs. It also allows for suggestions of areas of improvement. The QR code can be scanned from this newsletter and via posters that are placed at municipal facilities. Please take a moment to fill out the survey as your feedback is important!



Patron Survey



TELL US HOW WE DID!

