

Public Notice

Notice of Intention to Pass By-Law to Impose Wastewater Rates And to prescribe the amount of such rates and to control discharges to Municipal Wastewaters (Municipal Wastewater Rates & Control of Discharges By-Law)

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of the Township of Adjala-Tosorontio intends to pass a By-Law to impose wastewater rates and to prescribe the amount of such rates and to control discharges to Municipal Wastewaters (Municipal Wastewater Rates and control of Discharges By-Law). The proposed By-Law will come before Council for its consideration at its Regular Meeting of **Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at 6:00 pm** in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Building located at 7855 30th Sideroad, Alliston, Ontario.

Part XII of the *Municipal Act, 2001* allows the Township of Adjala-Tosorontio to pass a by-law to impose fees or charges for the consumption of water and/or the use of a sewage system. Ontario Regulation 244/02, s.12 requires that the Township hold at least one public meeting to inform the public of the proposed rates and the basis for these rates.

Please be notified that such a Public Meeting will be held on **Wednesday**, **June 9**, **2021 at 6:00 pm** in the Township of Adjala-Tosorontio Council Chambers, 7855 Sideroad 30, Alliston to allow the public an opportunity to comment. As the Township Office remains closed to the public at this time, members of the Public are not permitted to attend in person due to the ongoing COVID-19 emergency. To submit written comments contact the Clerk's Department by email at <u>clerk@adjtos.ca</u> by no later than 5:00 pm on Wednesday, June 9, 2021. Only comments including full name and full mailing address will be read during the public meeting portion on the Agenda.

Current Adjala-Tosorontio Wastewater Rates (currently only impacting the "New Horizons" system in Everett) have for many years been insufficient to cover ongoing operational and maintenance costs. Overages have been annually covered by using taxation reserves and now these reserves have been exhausted.

For 2021, the Township is proposing to cover the expected annual shortfall by making the following change to the Wastewater Rate By-law:

1. Impose a per user levy in 2021 of \$296.00 per connected unit

Council plans to adjust the current Wastewater Connection Charge for <u>New Connections</u> (*not* existing connections – but new ones caused by development and/or new requested hook ups) in an amount of:

For those in the Everett Service Area -	\$15,236.00 per new connected unit
For those in the Colgan Service Area -	\$22,070.00 per new connected unit

Pending Development, when occupied, will have the ability to ensure operational and maintenance costs of the Township's expanded and newly created Wastewater Systems will be covered by modest annual increases to the current rate with adequate opportunity to fund reserves necessary for future capital and replacement costs. Collection of associated Wastewater Connection Charges from the expected additional pending development units are expected to provide adequate funding to allow levies, as noted above, to be foregone in future years.

The remainder of the By-Law will remain unchanged.

The Municipal Wastewater Rates & Control of Discharges By-Law will be available upon request by contacting the Clerk at <u>clerk@adjtos.ca</u> or by calling 705-434-5055 ext. 263. The By-Law will also be available on the Township's website at <u>www.adjtos.ca</u>

Dated at the Township of Adjala-Tosorontio this 18th day of May, 2021. Any questions regarding this By-Law may be directed to John Thompson at 705-434-5055 ext. 232 or by email to <u>ithompson@adjtos.ca</u>

Dianne Gould-Brown Office of the Clerk