

# COUNTY OF THORHILD COMMUNICATOR



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## UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS

**December 22, 2009**

**January 12, 2010**

*\*The originally scheduled Council meeting for Jan. 26 has been rescheduled to Friday, January 22, 2010.\**

Regular and Special Council meetings commence at 9:30 a.m. in the County Admin. Bldg. and are open to the public.

### COUNCIL MINUTES

You can obtain approved minutes on our website ([www.thorhildcounty.com](http://www.thorhildcounty.com)) or at the County Administration Building. Agenda packages for upcoming meetings are now available online as well.

### CHRISTMAS OFFICE CLOSURE

The County Offices will be closed from Friday, December 25 to Friday, January 1<sup>st</sup> (inclusive). Offices will re-open on Monday, January 4, 2010. Emergency Staff will be on call. We would like to wish County residents all the very best during this holiday season!

### MUNICIPAL ELECTORAL BOUNDARY BYLAW

Bylaw 1129-2009 received first reading from County Council on Nov. 24. This bylaw and the accompanying map may be viewed at the County Admin Office or on the County website. Please phone (780) 398-2812 for more information on this bylaw.

### PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

When plowing snow out of your driveway, please push the snow to the right of your driveway, so that the grader operator will take it away from the driveway.

**PLEASE DO NOT** push the snow across the road as this leaves ridges. If a vehicle hits these ridges and gets damaged or if the driver gets hurt, you the landowner would be liable.

### Waste Commission Christmas Schedules

#### THORHILD & NEWBROOK LANDFILLS

OPEN: Wed, Dec. 23 Sat, Dec. 26  
Wed, Dec. 30 Sat, Jan. 2, 2010

#### LONG LAKE LANDFILL

CLOSED: Thurs, Dec. 24  
OPEN: Sun, Dec. 27 Thurs, Dec. 31  
Sun, Jan. 3, 2010

Garbage pickup for Radway and Newbrook will not change during the Christmas season.

### Stand Stone Waste Services (Hamlet of Thorhild)

Garbage pickup dates will be Monday, Dec. 28, 2009 and Monday, January 4, 2010. There will be **NO PICKUP** on Friday, December 25, 2009 or Friday, January 1, 2010. **RECYCLE PICKUP** will be Monday, January 4, 2010.

## LAND USE AND PLANNING

### Proposed Development Notices

A permit granted for a permitted use where no variance or relaxation of a regulation as identified in the County of Thorhild Land Use Bylaw 989-98, are advertised in the County Communicator or The Review.

**Appeal Deadline Date for the following applications is December 22, 2009**

Legal Description	Description	File No.
SW 30-61-21-W4	Pole Shed 2,400 sq. ft.	1520
NW 10-61-22-W4	Move in house 1,196 sq. ft.	1521

### New Bylaw

#### Bylaw 1128-2009 Aggregate Bylaw

The County has enacted a Community Aggregate Payment Levy for all sand and gravel businesses in the County. Information packages are being mailed to all existing businesses.

Further information on this bylaw is available on the website, <http://www.thorhildcounty.com/publicnotices.htm> or at the County Office.

## AGRICULTURE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

### Rural Women's Conference - Planning Committee

The 2010 Rural Women's Conference will be held in Newbrook in February or March, 2010. We are looking for interested individuals to serve on the planning committee. Committee members meet once per month to provide direction on the conference format, provide ideas for speakers, entertainment, registration packages, etc. and then assist with set up for the conference.

To register for any course or for more information, call Carol Kassian at 780-398-2806.

### Parent Link Center - Parent/Child Programs

**TRIPLE P POSITIVE PARENTING PROGRAM** - helps build positive behaviors in children, confidence in parents' abilities, and community support for raising children. Join us at Radway School Library on Jan. 4 from 6:30-8:30 PM for a Triple P session facilitated by Melanie Orr. Please contact Tammy to register before Dec. 23. There is no cost to attend & childcare can be provided with advance notice. Refreshment and snacks are provided.

Call Tammy at 780-398-2809 for more information on all programs offered and to book your car seat inspection.

### Fire Permits

**REMEMBER**, Fire Permits are required for all types of fires and are necessary to monitor, control and promote safe burning activities. Permits are required 365 days a year and are **NOT** seasonal. Anyone burning without a permit is

Snowplow Flags

Effective immediately the cost of driveway snowplow flags will increase from \$15.00/flag to \$35.00/flag. Easements are ready to be signed at the Administration Office, Radway Post Office and at the Public Works Department.

**RENTERS: THE LANDOWNER MUST SIGN THE EASEMENT**

in violation of County of Thorhild No. 7 By - Law No. 1119-2009.

For fire permit issuance, please contact Brett Demary, Emergency Operations Supervisor, at 780-398-2828.

**UTILITIES DEPARTMENT**

Gas Leaks

**Reminder:** If you discover and report a gas smell that leads to a confirmed underground gas leak, you will be rewarded a **\$100.00 credit** on your gas bill or towards a natural gas infill.

Natural Gas Line Marker Signs

If you inadvertently knock down a natural gas line marker sign while conducting farming or mowing activity, please contact Jessica at 780-398-2811 for immediate repair or replacement. Missing signs involve significant safety and cost implications.