

# Council Notes: July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008

## Comprehensive Zoning By-Law Changes

Council set the date for the first of many meetings to discuss changes to the zoning by-laws. This is to comply with changes that the province and county has recommended as well as changes to North Kawartha's Official Plan. Council members agreed that there is a lot of discussion required to reach agreement on how these changes are to be implemented. Reeve, Jim Whelan, stated that he disagrees with some of the proposals. He wants to assure that council can allow for exceptions to the rules to accommodate considerations such as terrain when dealing with 100 ft setbacks. Shannon Hunter agreed that it is important to spend considerable time on this because it covers many of the laws affecting everyone. The first meeting will be on August 20 at 9:30 am in the council chambers. Copies of the entire proposal is available for download from the township's website <http://www.northkawartha.on.ca> . There is also a copy at the library for viewing and a CD can be purchased from the township.

## Public Meeting on the Multi-Use and Recreational Centre

The Township of North Kawartha and David Miller from MacLennan Jaunkalns Miller Architects, will be hosting a public information meeting as it relates to the new Multi-Use Culture and Recreation Centre on Thursday, July 24<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm at the Apsley Community Centre. The topics that will be addressed at this meeting will include:

- Building Program (initial phase and future phases).
- Present proposed site configuration for initial program and future phases.
- Schedule for project implementation.
- Schedule for presentation of the building schematic design for public input.

For more information, contact Gary Gerald at 705-656-4922 ext 3

## New Milage Rates

Council agreed to adopt the new rate of \$0.55 per kM for operating personal vehicles on township business. This rate is identical to that of the county and covers fuel, insurance, depreciation and other expenses.

## New Phone System

Council approved the purchase of a new phone system for \$13,626.45. The new system will facilitate the establishment of an emergency phone centre and could be used towards voice-over-internet transmission in the future.