

# 2017 Tax Bill insert



## MUNICIPALITY OF ST.-CHARLES

### What's new for 2017?

Following a series of budget consultation meetings held from January to March of 2017, the Municipality of St. Charles passed its 2017 Municipal Budget on May 10, 2017 requiring **\$2,168,451 in property taxes for 2017.**

Over the course of this year, Council agreed to pursue the following opportunities to achieve further in year savings and operational efficiencies:

- Establishment of a working group to examine user fees and find efficiencies in the operation of the gym in the Wellness Centre for the 2017/18.
- Establishment of a working group to examine user fees and find efficiencies in arena operations for the 2017/18.
- Pursue Shared Service joint purchasing opportunities in 2017 for the procurement of audit services; bulk purchasing of fuel, gravel, calcium chloride and Information Technology (IT)
- Pursue Shared Service opportunity regarding regional building controls and by-law enforcement.

### How does the budget affect my taxes?

Taxes are calculated on an assessed value set by the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation. MPAC commenced a new four year assessment cycle of all properties used in calculating taxes for 2017 through to 2020, and properties were given a new assessment value at January 1, 2016. MPAC advises that Farm properties saw a large increase in current value due to new methods used. Increases are phased in over four years. Waterfront properties saw a small decrease in current value. The municipal tax rate and education tax rate are multiplied by the assessment value to obtain total property taxes owed.

For example, the property taxes for a home which has been assessed at \$200,000 this year may be calculated as follows:

Property's current value assessment \$200,000.00 Tax rate\* x 1.100000%

Property taxes = \$2,200.00 \*Sample municipal tax rate plus the education tax rate.

<b>Property Type</b>	<b>Assessment Value</b>	<b>Tax increase (including education rate)</b>
Residential/Rural property	142,320	\$43.00
Residential/Rural Waterfront property	311,911	\$87.00
Residential property in the Village with Sewer	111,305	\$82.00
Farmland	105,440	\$87.00

#### QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR PROPERTY TAXES?

Please contact Mr. Andrew Somers, Deputy-Treasurer @ 705-867-2032 ext. 203 or, [asomers@stcharlesontario.ca](mailto:asomers@stcharlesontario.ca)

#### QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR PROPERTY ASSESSMENT?

Please contact MPAC at: [www.mpac.ca](http://www.mpac.ca)

Or Toll Free 1 866 296-MPAC (6722)

## **MEET THE NEW CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER (CAO)**

On June 12, 2017 Council welcomed Ms. Ms. Julie Bouthillette as the new CAO. Julie holds an Honours Bachelor's Degree in Commerce from Laurentian University; Chartered Professional Accountant and Certified General Accountant designations and more than 10 years of work experience in both the business and municipal fields. More recently, Julie served as the Accounting Manager at College Boreal. Prior to that, she was the Treasurer for the Municipality of French River.

## **COUNCIL NEWS**

Council recently accepted the resignation of Councillor Jim Stankovich who served on Council for the last two terms. Thank you, Jim for your service on Council!

## **YOUR MUNICIPAL COUNCIL**

Mayor Paul Schoppmann – 705-867-2032 x 210 – [mayor@stcharlesontario.ca](mailto:mayor@stcharlesontario.ca)

Deputy Mayor/Councillor Richard Lemieux – 705-867-0316 – [rlemieux@stcharlesontario.ca](mailto:rlemieux@stcharlesontario.ca)

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Councillor Jackie Lafleur – 705-867-0401 – [jlafleur@stcharlesontario.ca](mailto:jlafleur@stcharlesontario.ca)

## **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2017**

Committee of the Whole meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month.

Regular Meetings of Council are held the third Wednesday of the month. Please note that the August 16<sup>th</sup> Regular Council Meeting will be rescheduled due to council attendance at a conference. Verify our website for the approved rescheduled date. All meetings of Council are open to the public.

## **REMINDER: LANDFILL SITE HOURS**

Mondays 8am to 12 (noon)

Wednesday 12 (noon) to 4pm

Saturday 9am to 3pm

## **WANT TO KEEP UP ON MUNICIPAL INFORMATION? HERE'S HOW**

### **MUNICIPAL WEBSITE**

Events, information, council news and much more can be found by visiting our website at [www.stcharlesontario.ca](http://www.stcharlesontario.ca)

### **ST.-CHARLES CIVICWEB**

Council meeting schedules, agendas, minutes and important documents such as by-laws, policies, can be found by visiting the civic web portal. Visit our website and click on the portal icon located in the top right corner of the page. Sign up for e-updates to receive notification of meeting agendas and minutes by visiting:

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