

CALL TO ACTION

FLAMBORO SLOT REVENUE and AREA RATING

Monday, April 21, 2008

9:30 a.m.

**Hamilton Convention Centre
One Summer's Lane
Albion Room**

Area rating and the Flamboro Slot revenue are the two most vital budgetary assets within our current power to control our taxes. I am asking Flamborough residents to assist me in uniting our voices to ensure that area rating and the Flamboro Slot revenue are retained for our community. **The Flamboro Slot revenue will be debated at the above meeting.** The Area Rating issue will be debated at an upcoming meeting of Council.

PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND ON APRIL 21st

***Put your voice together with mine to ensure that
Area rating is maintained along with our Flamboro Slot revenue***

In the event you are not able to attend, your assistance can still be provided by **contacting the Mayor and Members of Council through e-mail** stating your position with respect to the tax increases that you have been experiencing since amalgamation. Council contact information is noted below.

Your participation in either attending this meeting or sending an e-mail would assist me in my continual fight to maintain both area rating and the Flamboro Slot revenue. This is the first of two extremely important debates.

In case you are not aware, the City's portion of Flamboro Slot revenue has been used since amalgamation to mitigate Flamborough's tax burden. Council will be debating whether this arrangement is to continue. Area rating has also been in place since amalgamation and means approximately \$750.00 each year is taken **off** Flamborough residents' taxes for services they do not receive. **Without either one our taxes will increase.**

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