

Keeping busy in Flamborough
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A number of Flamborough issues are coming to the fore this spring. Here is a breif recap:

Proposed Flamborough Quarry – Your attendance is required at the upcoming public meeting being held by St. Marys Cement on Monday, April 27 from 4 to 9 pm at the Waterdown Legion. This meeting is a requirement for St. Marys Cement as part of their Aggregate Resource Act application. No formal presentations or a question and answer period are being provided by the applicant. We need to: attend to voice our objections; attend in large numbers and submit individual letters of objection to both the MNR and applicant

On April 15, City Council unanimously approved my motion objecting to the Aggregate License Application submitted by St. Marys Cement. Individual objections also need to be submitted by May 21 in order to be properly recorded. A template letter is available on my website, www.margaretmccarthy.ca or at the Flamborough Municipal Service Centre.

Unlimited Leaf & Yard Pickups – are scheduled for curbside pickup on the following weeks: April 20, May 4, May 19, June 1, June 15, June 29, July 13, September 14, September 28, October 13, October 26, November 9 and November 23. The Carlisle depot is also open for delivery of leaf and yard waste on April 18, May 2 and 16, October 10 and 24, November 7 and 21 and December 5.

Three bags of garbage are permitted to be placed for curbside pickup during the weeks of May 19 and October 13.

Twin Pad Arena – Construction is scheduled to start in late fall, 2009.

Millgrove Emergency Response Centre – Plans are under way to renovate the Public Works Yard on Millgrove Road (west of Hwy. 6) to accommodate an ambulance station. Once the renovations are complete, by early 2010, paramedics will be deployed from this location. Having paramedic vehicles start and end their shift in the Flamborough/Waterdown area is expected to help balance the scale in creating opportunities for city-wide equity of emergency paramedic coverage.

Memorial Park Spray Pad Hours of Operation –Three major park locations in Hamilton, Memorial Park included, will be extending the season of operation of the spray pad facility. Local children will now enjoy 13 weeks of operation as compared to the previous nine -which will be very welcome.

Sealey Park Day Camp and Play Lot -A new program is being introduced, in partnership with the Flamborough Optimist Club and the Waterdown RONA store, to operate a summer camp at the Sealey Park Optimist Hall for seven weeks this summer. Details are available in the City's Recreation Brochure.