

Town of Traytown

Happy New YearT

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Taxes and Fees

2020 Taxes & Fees Structure

Residential Land

Mill Rate – 4.0 mills
Minimum per property -\$225
Garbage Rate-\$71
Sewer Rate-\$250

Homeowners may apply for a low-income discount. Call the Town Clerk for information.

Vacant Land

Mill Rate - 4.0 mills
Minimum per property -\$225

Commercial Land

Mill Rate - 2.1 mills
Minimum per property -\$225
Sewer (Cabins) -\$ 50/unit

Business Tax

Mill rate - 2.3 mills
Minimum per business - \$335
Home Based Business - \$335

Home Based Business may apply for the following discounts.

- Net income of \$6,000 - \$10,000 – 33% reduction
- Net income of \$3,001 - \$6,000 – 66% reduction
- Net income of less than \$3,000 - no tax

Quarry Permits

\$1000 per operator

Utilities

2.5% of Gross Revenues

Permit Fees:

Building Permits - \$25
General Repairs - \$10
Sheds / Garages - \$10
Tax Certificates - \$100

Tax Due Date: June 30, 2020. If not paid at that time there will be a monthly interest charged on any money owing.

Council Meetings

Council's regular monthly meeting takes place on the first Monday of every month. Due to work schedules and other obligations this sometimes has to be rescheduled.

Website Information

Traytown's website, www.traytown.net, provides the office schedule, meeting minutes, notices, any rescheduling, upcoming events, past and present councils, etc. The town also has a Facebook page and Traytown Recreation has a Facebook page that you may want to follow.

If you would like something added to the site please let us know at:

townoftraytown@eastlink.ca

Tax Arrears from Previous Years

Thank you to all the tax payers who are making a worthwhile effort to pay their taxes. It is very much appreciated. Arrears are steadily coming in and it seems that tax collection by courts, etc. are at an all time low. The town can now place a lien against any property in arrears to the town which would interfere with selling, transferring or giving your house to another person. Notices of these actions were placed in the mail this month taking people to court for all arrears owing. 2020 invoices are being prepared now.

Anyone who believes that they are eligible to receive a property tax discount should contact the Town Office for the application form. Eligible discounts depends on the total income in your household.

- \$0 - \$20,000 – 50%
- \$20,001-\$22,000 – 45%
- \$22,001-\$24,000 – 40%
- \$24,001-\$26,000 – 35%

* Only Property Tax can be discounted and the minimum payment is \$296.00 for Property and Garbage Tax. This does not include Sewer Tax.

Street Lights

If you see a street light out please report it to the council office to have it repaired immediately. 533-2156 or townoftraytown@eastlink.ca

Water & Sewer

In 2018 the town contracted the Wood Group to assist with finding a suitable town water supply. A location was found and two commercial quality wells were dug in December 2018. These wells have capacity for more than enough water to supply our town!

Council was subsequently approved for \$2.25 million of capital works funding for Phase 1 of our proposed water and sewer project. The Provincial and Federal Governments will cover 90% of this cost and the town will be responsible for 10%.

Funding to cover the town's capital share would come in the form of a new Water & Sewer Tax to residents and an increase of up to 1.0 mil in property taxes. An initial estimate of the annual Water and Sewer Tax is \$450 per residence.

All property owners will be responsible for the water and sewer connection from their house to the roadside water main. Water and Sewer bills will be issued once the water main passes each residence, and would be pro-rated for the time remaining in the tax year.

House Numbering

Council has sent the town map and information of the new numbering system to 911 emergency response system. Your old number will no longer be acknowledged. The new street addresses assigned by the Municipal Assessment Agency in 2015 is now in their system. As seen on your Property Tax Assessment and tax invoice, not all numbers have changed but most have. Please make your street number clearly visible in front of your property for emergency responders to see when trying to locate your home. This is the only number they have on their map so know your new number and please update it ASAP.

A Huge Thank You

The Town of Traytown would like to thank the TRAYTOWN RECREATION COMMITTEE for their continued contributions to the town. BUT they sure could use extra hands - please contact them to join. They can always use extra hands at the rink flooding and cleaning and remember always wear a helmet while on the ice, thank you.

Tax Payments

Please be advised that the town has set up a payee account for anyone who cannot get into the office with payments. When doing your online banking go to bills under payee and find TRAYTOWN (TOWN) and use

your Municipal Assessment Agency Parcel ID number as your account number. Your number is shown on your property assessment that came out in October as well as your town tax invoice that comes out in January. The first three numbers of the Parcel ID number is 263-. If you cannot find it contact the town office to get your parcel ID number.

Town Office Hours

The Town Office hours are based on one week open one week closed. Except for holidays, the office will be open during the following weeks:

- January 6-10, January 20-24
- February 3-7, February 17-21
- March 2-6, March 16-20, March 30-April 3
- April 13-17, April 27 - May 1
- May 11-15, May 25-29
- June 8-12, June 22-26
- July 6-10, July 20-24
- August 3-7, August 17-21, August 31 - September 4
- September 14-18, September 28-October 2,
- October 12-16, October 26-30,
- November 9-13, November 23-27
- December 7-11.
- Schedule can change due to unforeseen circumstances.

Emails are checked every day.
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