

*Talpines*  
*Property Owners Association*  
*Newsletter*

June

2016

**Finally**, it feels more like summer in cottage country. Although it has looked like summer a few times, the north west winds coming off the Bay have kept the temperature more like spring. In fact frost and even a few flurries were still frustrating us, the trees & flowers only a little over a week ago.



May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016 sunset Sturgeon Bay at Lawson Lane

**Water Levels** have continued to rise and are now nearing higher than normal depths. Many are finding the water has increased to the point they no longer needed all or the water is too deep to use all of their dock sections. The extra depth has helped keep the water temperature cooler than in recent years and has also led to shore-line erosion and dock damage by the winds. Water temperature May 23<sup>rd</sup> was a cool 16 degrees!

**Water Sampling** for recreational purposes will likely begin within the next 10 days or 2 weeks and as in the past, the results of the analysis will be forwarded to all TPOA members about 26 hours afterwards by e-mail (or as soon as we get to a computer).

**Good to see** Peter Davis out & about after his knee recovery but to not over stress the knee, member Steven Clift is going to do the Lake Partnership sampling for Peter this year. In fact, those samplings began this past Monday.

**Pine Street** re-construction seems to be moving along well but has meant several short detours during working hours. Hopefully it will be far enough along to not have a large impact on tourist and cottage traffic this summer.

**It may be a sign of the times** but sorry to say the Seniors Residence in Waubaushene has closed down and the property is up for sale. The word on the street is it was going to be too costly to up-date the building to satisfy the new Building Codes for this type of usage.

**If you are free** and in Waubaushene Thursday June 9<sup>th</sup>, 7 to 9 pm, drop over to the Anglican Church on Hazel Street for a Community Meeting to discuss creating a Community Hub at the former Waubaushene Public School. For more information, contact our Councillor Cate at 705-984-7668.

**For the gardener** in your family, mark **Saturday June 4<sup>th</sup>** on your calendar to obtain free mulch thanks to the Horticultural Society. It runs from 8:30 am until noon and you must bag & load your own. This takes place at the Township of Tay Office parking lot in Victoria Harbour.

**Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup>** is the second Annual **Tay Bike Day & Scavenger Hunt** starting at 10 am and running until 2 pm. There will also be vendors and information tables as well as bicycle check-ups and decorated bikes and of course, prizes. With a number of new sponsors involved, this year looks to be one of the biggest & best around! If you would like to volunteer some help & time, give Councillor Cate a call at 705-984-7668. Oh & if it rains, it will be held on the Sunday.

**Be sure to keep Saturday morning, June 25<sup>th</sup>** for Talpines **AGM** at the Waubaushene Legion on Willow Street. Registration & visiting begins at 9 am and our meeting commences at 10 am. Check out page 4 for full details including our interesting Guest Speaker at shortly after 10 am. *Please Note ... THIS WILL BE A "SCENT FREE / FRAGRANCE FREE EVENT".*

Still have some spare time for June?? Join us Sunday morning. **June 26<sup>th</sup> at the Pine Street Public Beach** between 10:30 & 11:30 for our first of several Beach cleaning & weed clearing days this year. With your help, we will get this Beach back to the summer glory days it was known for in the mid 1900's.

**Be Aware of Giant Hog Weed and Wild Parsnip!** Both are not only Noxious Weeds but highly toxic to humans! Their sap or juice is very caustic & will not only cause a rash far worse than Poison Ivy but can cause blindness among other serious maladies. Those with pets should keep them away from these plants as well since if they come in contact with the plants, you or your kids could come in contact with the toxicity off the fur or hair of your pets. Both plants have a flower similar to Queen Annes Lace but Hogweed is a tall plant with a long, thick stem. Wild Parsnip could almost be mistaken for Wild Carrot (Queen Annes Lace) except it's flowers are yellow instead of white and it's stems are a shade of red.

**April Fools Day??** Imagine the latest remarks from the Ontario Liberal Government who have suggested to curb "Green House Gases" and "Global Warming", they may eliminate Natural Gas as a home heating source. I would expect they are also contemplating the same fate for furnace oil. Do they really think the people of Ontario could afford to heat with Electricity ?? That will be about the only alternative the way these "Do Gooders" think as modern Condos, Apartments & even houses are not set up to burn wood.

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**Talpines** purchased a DVD from FOCA of the roughly 1 hour “Cottage Succession” information that Lawyer Peter Lilloco of Peterborough and FOCA has been presenting to local cottage groups the past few years. You are welcome to borrow our copy to view the information it contains and watch at your home or cottage. Contact one of our directors to make arrangements for pick up and return of the DVD.

**Just a reminder** ..... your 2016 Talpines Property Owners Association **membership is now due**. You may give it to one of your Directors or mail it to our Postal address. It must be received before you can vote on the business at hand at our AGM or to run for office of Talpines. Cost is still **only \$30.00** and also includes membership to FOCA & their many deals from sponsors plus their monthly e-mail, “E!ert”. You also receive our quarterly Newsletter, the occasional special information forwards and the e-mail reports of each of our Recreational Water Sample Analysis. This is your Association and we are your Directors as chosen by you at the AGM. See you there!

#### **Other “Keeping Informed” Sources**

Municipality of Tay website: [www.tay.ca](http://www.tay.ca) or call 705-534-7248  
Ward 3 Councillor Cate Root: [croot@tay.ca](mailto:croot@tay.ca)  
Midland OPP (Information): [susanjessop@opp.ca](mailto:susanjessop@opp.ca)  
The Tay Report, John & Cathy Cole: [tayreport@rogers.com](mailto:tayreport@rogers.com)

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*Newsletter, remarks & picture by D. Cornish*

*Your Next Quarterly Newsletter will be about September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016*

*Enjoy your Summer!*

***“Preserving our Heritage....Protecting our Future”***

*Talpines Property Owners Association  
18<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting  
Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
Waubashene Legion, Willow Street, Waubashene, Ont.*

*Registration and Social hour 9am to 10am  
10 am Call Meeting to Order & introduce guests.*

*Introduce our **Guest Speaker**, Rebecca Webb, Regional Manager  
Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC)  
Explaining the new format used by MPAC to Assess Property Valuation  
May answer a few questions (general only please)*

*Thank our Guest & short break*

*Minutes of 2015 AGM (Motion to Accept)*

*Treasurers Report (Motion to accept)*

*Year End Activities Report (Motion to Accept)*

*Vote to Accept 2015 Activities*

*Old Business: Recreational Water Sampling  
Lake Partnership Program  
Pine Street Beach Clean Up*

*Reports: Municipal Strategic Plan  
Works & Zoning Strategic Plan  
Phragmites Work Shop (Motion to Accept both Old Business & Reports)*

*New Business: Motion to Open Nomination for Directors*

*Other*

*Motion to Close Nominations & vote  
Motion to Adjourn*

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