

## INFORMATION PAMPHLET

### Development Charges for the Township of Otonabee-South Monaghan

The Township adopted By-law #2010-67 on September 20, 2010, which imposes development charges on new development. Development charges are fees collected from new development to offset the capital cost of providing existing levels of service to that development. The services covered by these fees are:

- General Government
- Fire Protection
- Public Works
- Recreation
- Library

Development charges are based on the methodology that existing taxpayers should not be liable for the capital costs of new growth. At the same time, new taxpayers should not have to contribute more than the net capital cost attributable to growth in order to maintain current levels of municipal services. A detailed analysis of the Township's infrastructure is therefore necessary to ensure that the recommended development charge is compatible with the requirements of the Development Charges Act and its Regulations.

Development charges are payable at the time a building permit is issued. Certain expansions of existing buildings are exempt by statute. Generally, a development charge will be imposed on any new residential development and expansions exceeding the legislated exemptions. If a building has been destroyed or legally demolished, no development charge is imposed provided reconstruction begins within a period of three years. If a development charge has been paid in full prior to the date this by-law received third reading, the difference between the development charge actually paid and the amount determined under this by-law is payable.

The Treasurer of the Township is responsible for the development charges reserve funds. The Treasurer must supply an annual statement to the public regarding the activities within each fund. The purpose of the statement is to inform any interested parties as to the revenues and expenditures under the development charges by-law and to demonstrate that the funds are appropriately managed. The statement will include the opening and closing balances of each fund, a summary of transactions on revenues (payable development charges) and expenditures (outlining capital projects) as well as any other relevant activity. This includes any possible credits granted for work done by developers, (services-in-lieu, subsidies) or borrowings on reserve funds describing the amount, purpose, repayment policy and interest. A copy of the Treasurer's Annual Statement will be available to the public within sixty days of presentation to Municipal Council at the municipal building in Keene.

Development charges adopted under the by-law are:

**Residential**

	<u>Development Charge Per Unit</u>
Singles and Semis	\$3,061.00
Multiples	\$2,290.00

**Non-residential**

	<u>Development Charge Per Square Foot</u>
Commercial	\$2.26

These fees are allocated to the services as follows:

<u>Proportionate Share</u>	<u>Residential</u>	<u>Commercial</u>
General Government	2.1%	2.3%
Fire Protection	10.4%	11.4%
Public Works	74.5%	86.3%
Recreation	7.3%	0.0%
Library Services	5.7%	0.0%
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