

Ward Review

the public consultation will be

**October 3
Starting at 9:00 AM
The Opera House**

Please plan on attending and encourage your members to attend and give input as to what they would like to see.

**Input via email can be sent to
wardreview@gravenhurst.ca**

Watson & Associates and Dr. Robert Williams have been retained by the town to prepare options for the Council and a recommendation concerning revamping the wards in the town. In August and September, Dr. Williams conducted consultations with elected officials, Town staff and a number of individuals involved with the petition to Council. Relevant data on population distribution and growth have been extracted from work already completed for the Town by Watson & Associates and, based on the information collected in the interviews and from other sources, have been used to design some preliminary alternatives to the present ward boundaries.

The public consultation meeting on October 3 will be conducted as a “drop in” session. Dr. Williams will be in attendance to hear the views of residents on appropriate changes to the present ward system. Residents will be able to review and comment on the proposed alternatives – or to suggest additional configurations. Information will be made available at the consultation meeting and on the town website; evaluations of the alternative boundaries and other matters related to the review will be collected from those who attend the public consultation and also electronically through an e-mail address accessible only to the consulting team.

Since the consulting team will be presenting its report and recommendations at the October 20 Council meeting, the October 3 public consultation meeting will be the only opportunity for residents to participate directly in this review. Written and electronic feedback can be accepted until October 9.