



NEWSLETTER April 2021

Please note that the Township Office will be closed Friday April 2nd and Monday April 5th for the Easter Holiday.

SECOND INTERIM INSTALLMENT OF TAXES
The second interim installment of taxes is due **May 25th, 2021.**

HOLIDAY GARBAGE

Garbage collection will be delayed one day as a result of the Easter Holiday.

RECYCLING CART COLLECTION

Please have your cart out by 7:30 a.m. Your recycling will be picked up every two weeks. **April 1, 15 and 29.**



ATTENTION DOG OWNERS UNLICENSED DOGS

Dog Licences were due January 1st, 2021. The cost is \$7.50 for spayed or neutered dogs or \$15.00 otherwise, plus a \$15.00 penalty per dog applied to the cost of the licence. **Please bring in confirmation of last rabies shot date** to the Township Office or call 705-779-2992 or email lorraine@twp.prince.on.ca.

If you no longer have your dog, please contact the office.



*May the spirit of Easter & the joy
of springtime fill your life with
happiness.*

NOTICE TO TRUCKERS HALF LOAD RESTRICTIONS

Half load restrictions on all municipal roads are in effect until further notice.

Any inquiries may be directed to the Road Superintendent, Brian Evans at (705)779-2992. Enforcement is the responsibility of the by-law enforcement officer, David Harnish at (705)779-9927.

If you would like to have your newsletter emailed to you every month, please email lorraine@twp.prince.on.ca

APRIL 1st - BURNING PERMITS

Anyone wishing to burn, must purchase a burning permit. Please fill out the form on our website. (<https://www.princetownship.ca/fire-permit.html>) and email it to lorraine@twp.prince.on.ca. You only need to submit the front page. You can send your payment by cheque or by EFT to the above email. Use **firepermit** as the answer to the security question. If cash is preferred, drop the completed form and money in the black locked mailbox on the wall to the right of the entrance door. The office remains closed to the public. Note: the fee is \$20 for the season.

Please monitor the Prince Twp. Fire Department facebook page, for updates to the possibility of a fire ban. Due to limited resources.

Remember burning without a permit, will result in a fine.

Congratulations!

We'd like to recognize **Kelsey O'Donnell**, the recipient of the Prince Township scholarship at Sault College. Congratulations to you for your hard work and dedication to your learning. Wishing you continued success in your future endeavours.

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

April 18 to 24, 2021



National Volunteer Week (NVW) is a time to celebrate and thank Canada's 12.7 million volunteers.

Volunteering is often seen as a selfless act; a person gives their time, skills, experience, and passion to help others, without expecting anything in return. And while volunteering is a form of service, many volunteers will tell you that "you get more than you give". From opportunities to develop new skills, to finding deep and meaningful personal connections, the magic of volunteering is that it creates social and economic value for all.

**A big thank you to all our
Prince Twp. volunteers.
Always needed and forever appreciated.**

The annual volunteer appreciation dinner has been postponed/cancelled due to the COVID-19 virus. Hoping for a fall dinner. We will keep you informed to what will happen.

PRINCE TOWNSHIP BUILDING PERMITS

All permit applications are handled by the City of Sault Ste. Marie Building Dept. Civic Centre, Level 5, 99 Foster Drive,
Sault Ste Marie, ON P6A 5X6

Building Permits

Permits ensure that construction within the municipality meets with standards set out in the Ontario Building Code. No matter what the specific project may be, the enforcement of codes is carried out to protect public health, safety and welfare. Compliance with municipal by-laws such as the Zoning By-law is also evaluated during the review process.

Building permits are typically required for the following:

- New buildings
- Additions
- Renovations or alterations
- Demolitions
- Prefabricated structures
- HVAC systems (heating, ventilation, air conditioning)

- Miscellaneous for residential (pools, fireplaces, decks, fences, etc.)
- Temporary buildings
- Installing new windows and exterior doors
- Installing new shingles or metal roofing
- Installing new cladding (siding, stucco, etc.)

To be sure, contact the Building Division at 705-759-5398 or email building@cityssm.on.ca, describe the work to be done and investigate what the requirements are. If your questions cannot be answered over the phone or email, you can show your proposal to the Building Division staff at the Civic Centre - Level 5. They are always ready and willing to help!

JOB OPPORTUNITY

SUMMER STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

PRINCE TOWNSHIP STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

Applications are being accepted for summer students, pending funding approval. Please drop a resume off at the Municipal Office, 3042 Second Line West, Prince Township, ON P6A 6K4

HERITAGE COMMITTEE SUMMER JOB

We are now accepting applications for summer employment.

Resumes can be dropped off at the Prince Municipal Office at 3042 Second Line West, Prince Township, On P6A 6K4.
Attention: Museum.

LIBRARY STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

The library is now accepting resumes

from students for the position of summer student librarian. The position, sponsored by the Friends of the Prince Township Library, is conditional of the Friends' receipt of funding under the federal government's Canada Summer Jobs Program. Submit a resume to Rita Wagner at the Prince Township Public Library, 3042 Second Line West. For further information, call the library at (705)779-3653 ext. 4 or e-mail us at ptpl@twp.prince.on.ca.

ONTARIO EARLY YEARS STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

Applications are currently being accepted for summer employment, pending approval from Human Resources Development Canada. College or University students who are returning to school in the fall are eligible. Submit resume to Kate Mitchell, Program Manager, 3042 Second Line West, Prince.

To be eligible for all summer job positions, youths must:

- be between 15 and 30 years of age at the start of the employment;
- be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or person to whom refugee protection has been conferred under the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act* for the duration of the employment, and
- have a valid Social Insurance Number at the start of employment and be legally entitled to work in Canada accordance with relevant provincial or territorial legislation and regulations

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Barbie Rudnicki (705)255-0419

BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Dave Harnish (705)779-9927

CAO/CLERK-TREASURER REPORT

Happy Easter



As you know, we just passed the one year anniversary of the COVID-19 shut-down. The office remains closed to the public, but open by appointment for anything that cannot be handled without face-to-face contact.

The library has limited hours by appointment and curbside pick up. The EarlyON centre has opened by appointment only. The building remains locked, with intercom at both doors.

If you need to pay taxes, get dog tags, or need to get any information to or from the office, please call or email. We have managed to find solutions for any scenario that has come up so far and will do our best to accommodate you to keep business flowing.

Our social media sites are being kept up to date to let you know of any changes.

Stay safe and stay well.

Respectfully,
Peggy Greco

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact the Municipal Office, or any member of Council:

Mayor

Ken Lamming (705) 971-3663
klamming@princetwp.ca

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Dave Amadio (705)779-2836
damadio@princetwp.ca

Ian Chambers (705)779-3364
ichambers@princetwp.ca

Enzo Palumbo (705)975-4343
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Michael Matthews (705)779-3575
mmatthews@princetwp.ca

COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

Regular Council Meetings
and Planning Matters
Tuesday April 13th, 2021
6:45 p.m.

A link will be provided to you at your request by contacting Katrina at spc@princetwp.ca.

Agendas are posted on the website, the day before the meeting. If you require a copy, please call ahead so it can be printed for pickup on Monday. A fee of \$0.25/page applies.



LIBRARY NEWS

LIBRARY BOARD MEETING: Thursday April 8, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

LIBRARY HOURS: WE ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. PLEASE CALL FIRST, to make sure the volunteer is available. 705-779-2992 ext. 5. You will use the **BACK DOOR.** The volunteer will buzz you in. We will still offer curbside service. The pick-up will be at the book deposit box at the front door, with your name on the bag.

HOURS:

Mon. and Tues. – 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Wed.: 1p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Thurs.: 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Fri.: 10 am to noon and 2 pm to 4 pm.

RECOMMENDED BOOKS: If you are going to browse the shelves or table for books, THEY MUST BE PUT ON THE CART TO BE QUARANTINED.

PIECE OF MY HEART by Mary Higgins Clark and Alafair Burke. This is Clark's final novel, as she passed away in 2020. The conclusion of the "Under Suspicion" series. Just days away from their wedding, things turn dark for Laurie and Alex, as his nephew vanishes from the beach or was Laurie's son the intended victim?

CHASING CASSANDRA by Lisa Kleypas is a Regency romance novel. Railway magnate Tom Severin is wealthy and powerful enough to

satisfy any desire to find the perfect wife, but Lady Cassandra Ravenel has her own plans!

TRUE STORY by Kate Reed Petty.

Tracing the fifteen-year fallout of a toxic high school rumor. This is a novel that will keep you guessing until the final pages.

ATOMIC LOVE by Jennie Fields is an historical novel set in 1950's Chicago. Rosalind Porter is a physicist who is feeling guilty for all the people that died because of her involvement in the Manhattan Project. A novel of science, love, espionage, and a heroine who carves a strong path in the world of men.

CAMINO WINDS by John Grisham."

When a hurricane and a contract killer both make landfall on Camino Island, there's plenty of trouble in paradise."

THE BIG LIE by James Grippando is a Jack Swyteck novel. Jack is caught between a corrupt president and his manipulative opponent in an electoral College battle. How much truth is based on fiction?

USE OPAC: Instructions follow.

OPAC is similar to Overdrive in the sense that it is an online database, however, OPAC is directly linked to our library and shows a catalogued inventory of all the items we have in the library, synced through ResourceMate. Patrons can use OPAC to request books remotely from their home. This can be used to organize curbside pick-up for their library books. Especially useful during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Access and Operation of OPAC:

1. OPAC for our library can be reached by typing in the following web address into the address bar, <https://16052.rmwebopac.com/>
2. You will be directed to the Prince Township Public Library OPAC home page.
3. You must then click the Sign In icon in the upper right-hand corner of the screen.
4. You will type in the username provided to you from the library, typically in the format: lastnamefirstname
5. Your pin number, also provided by the library, will be the last 4 digits of your 5 digit barcode. Ex. if your barcode is 12345, your OPAC pin will be 2345.
6. When signed in you can search authors, titles, etc. You can add items you want to check out to your Book Bin.
7. To send the request, click the Book Bin icon once you are done browsing.
8. You must then do the following steps:
 - a. Press the email icon (it looks like an envelope).
 - b. In the From section, fill in your email address.
 - c. In the To section, fill in the library's email address, ptpl@twp.prince.on.ca
 - d. In the Subject section, type something along the lines of "Book Request"
 - e. Specify if you would like to be contacted by Phone or Email in the notes section.
 - f. Press send.
9. When the request is received and processed, you will either be contacted by Phone or Email to set up a pick-up time.
10. All pick-ups will happen at the Library Book Drop-Off Box.

DROP OFF BOX: If you do return your items. Please put them in a tied plastic bag.



Prince Township EarlyON Child and Family Centre staff are welcoming families back for in-person services!

Pre-registration is required through www.keyon.ca. Upon arrival, please be aware that families will be permitted entry to the building one at a time to complete the screening process. If staff are not at the entrance, please press the intercom button for assistance. Physical distancing is to be practiced at all times.

Please note that at this time, outside food and drinks will not be permitted in the centre. Snacks will be provided daily.

Thank you, and we look forward to seeing you soon! Please call 705-779-3627 for more information.

Hours of operation

- Monday 9:00am – 1:00pm
- Tuesday 9:00am – 1:00pm
- Wednesday 9:00am – 1:00pm
- Thursday 2:30pm – 6:30pm
- Friday 9:00am - 1:00pm



Canadian Council of the Blind Peterborough Chapter

CCB Peterborough Story Time

A wonderful story from Christel a CCB Peterborough Member.

One day while on the bus with my Seeing eye dog, a little girl about 2 years old got on the bus with her mom. The little one tried making a dash to my guide dog, but Mom stopped her and told her that my dog was working and she could not pet my dog.

Well she sat down and was quite quiet for a time, then she asked me what my dogs name was, I told her it was Mixie.

She asked me, is Mixie really working, because she looks like she is sleeping. She is working I told her, as long as she has her harness on, she is working. What is her job, she asked? Well I said I am blind, and she keeps me safe, and told her all the things she does for me.

O.K. she said, when Mixie takes her coffee break, can I pet her?

The **Easter spirit** is a **spirit** of renewal that enables us to show up at work with a positive attitude, to renew relationships that have been taken for granted, and to express appreciation and affection to those closest to us. It means to see the world through new eyes.

PLANTING YOUR SPRING GARDEN

For the garden of your daily living.

Plant three row of peas

- 1. Peace of Mind
- 2. Peace of Heart
- 3. Peace of Soul

Plant four rows of squash.

- 1. Squash gossip
- 2. Squash indifference
- 3. Squash grumbling
- 4. Squash selfishness

Plant four rows of lettuce.

- 1. Lettuce be faithful
- 2. Lettuce be kind
- 3. Lettuce be patient
- 4. Lettuce really love one another

No garden is complete without turnips.

- 1. Turnip for meetings
- 2. Turnip for service
- 3. Turnip to help one another

To conclude our garden we must have thyme.

- 1. Thyme for each other
- 2. Thyme for family
- 3. Thyme friends

Water freely with patience and cultivate with Love. There is much fruit in your garden because you reap what you sow.



MUNICIPAL ENGINEERS ASSOCIATION

Dear Municipal Clerk:

The Municipal Engineers Association (MEA) is pleased to announce that it will once again be offering its annual bursary program for the children/dependents of Ontario municipal employees/elected councillors who plan to enter the 1st year of an **engineering program at the university level for the upcoming September 2021 term**. This is the 14th consecutive year the MEA is providing bursaries; to date we have awarded over \$134,000 in bursaries to eligible candidates. Our program has become quite popular with many applications being received each year.

Up to ten (10) bursaries will be awarded this year. The top two (2) scoring applications will receive:

- The *John Hammer Memorial Bursary* valued at \$2,000
- The *William Robinson Memorial Bursary* valued at \$2,000

The balance of the bursaries (up to 8) are valued at \$1,500 each.

I have attached a letter from the MEA outlining this year's bursary program which includes eligibility/ selection criteria requirements, an application form (note applications can also be made online) and a flyer (see last page of attachment) which you can use to notify your municipal staff about this year's program. **The deadline for applications for this year's program is midnight May 9, 2021.**

We would respectfully request you make the appropriate arrangements to please notify your

municipal staff and elected councillors about our 2021 Bursary Program.

For more information please email Office of the Executive Director 1525 Cornwall Road Oakville ON L6J 0B2 dan.cozzi@municipalengineers.on.ca or email lorraine@twp.prince.on.ca.



BARBECUE SAFETY

It's tempting to jump right in and start throwing meat on the grill, but it's dangerous if you aren't careful. Barbecue maintenance and proper use is key to enjoying your time on the patio without risk of injury. Follow these do's and don'ts of barbecuing to make sure that the only things on fire at the dinner table are your grilling skills.

DO keep your grill away from flammable objects. Decorations, canopies and trees are all examples of harmless backyard items that turn into fire hazards with your barbecue nearby.

DON'T start your grill with the lid closed. Propane gas can build up inside the hood and ignite when you open it.

DO use a plastic reusable barbecue brush to clean up gunk from the grill. If you skip this step, the charred scraps could seep into your next meal!

DON'T use wire barbecue brushes on your grill. The wires can break off in the barbecue, and then stick to your burgers when you cook them. Many Canadians have experienced this misfortune – for many, surgery was required to remove the bristle.

DO keep a fire extinguisher nearby. It'll help minimize damage and injury should a blaze start from your grill.

DON'T leave a barbecue unattended. If it catches fire, it won't take long for the flames to spread to nearby objects, or worse, people. You are responsible for your own cooking equipment, so you should be there at all times to prevent injury.

DO investigate potential gas leaks. Often, propane is tinged with a chemical that makes it smell like rotten eggs so that you can easily identify when there is a problem with your barbecue. If you suspect a leak, turn off your grill and rub all the connections and hoses down with a soapy solution. Turn the gas back on – wherever bubbles form, there is a leak. Carefully disconnect your propane tank and return it to where you bought it from, either for repair or replacement. Be mindful to keep it away from fire – it's explosive!

DON'T put too much food on your grill at once. With so many fatty pieces of meat on the barbecue, it becomes a fire hazard. All it takes is one piece of food to catch fire, and the whole grill could go up in flames. Instead, maintain a

few centimeters between each piece of food to isolate potential fires.

DO keep a first aid kit nearby. Burn treatment works best if it is administered early; keeping the correct tools close at hand ensures that this is possible.

DON'T use a grill indoors. Grills produce carbon monoxide – a lethal gas that is undetectable without an appropriate detector nearby. Outside, it can disperse, but it builds up quickly indoors. Never use a grill in an enclosed space, or even under a canopy; the risk of carbon monoxide poisoning is too high.



How to Care for Your Septic System

Septic system maintenance is not complicated, and it does not need to be expensive. Upkeep comes down to four key elements:

- Inspect and Pump Frequently
- Use Water Efficiently
- Properly Dispose of Waste
- Maintain Your Drainfield

Inspect and Pump Frequently

The average household septic system should be inspected at least every three years by a septic service professional. Household septic tanks are typically pumped every three to five years. Alternative systems with electrical float switches, pumps, or mechanical components should be inspected more often, generally once a year. A service contract is important since alternative systems have mechanized parts.

Four major factors influence the frequency of septic pumping:

- Household size
- Total wastewater generated
- Volume of solids in wastewater
- Septic tank size

Service provider coming? Here is what you need to know.

When you call a septic service provider, he or she will inspect for leaks and examine the scum and sludge layers in your septic tank.

Keep maintenance records on work performed on your septic system.

Your septic tank includes a T-shaped outlet which prevents sludge and scum from leaving the tank and traveling to the drainfield area. If the bottom of the scum layer is within six inches of the bottom of the outlet, or if the top of the sludge layer is within 12 inches of the outlet, your tank needs to be pumped.

To keep track of when to pump out your tank, write down the sludge and scum levels found by the septic professional.

The service provider should note repairs completed and the tank condition in your system's service report. If other repairs are recommended, hire a repair person soon.

Use Water Efficiently

The average indoor water use in a typical single-family home is nearly 70 gallons per individual, per day. Just a single leaky or running toilet can waste as much as 200 gallons of water per day.

All of the water a household sends down its pipes winds up in its septic system. The more water a household conserves, the less water enters the septic system. Efficient water use improves the operation of a septic system and reduces the risk of failure.

- **High-efficiency toilets.**

Toilet use accounts for 25 to 30 percent of household water use. Many older homes have toilets with 3.5- to 5-gallon reservoirs, while newer, high-efficiency toilets use 1.6 gallons of water or less per flush. Replacing existing toilets with high-efficiency models is an easy way to reduce the amount of household water entering your septic system.

- **Faucet aerators and high-efficiency showerheads.**

Faucet aerators, high-efficiency showerheads, and shower flow restrictors help reduce water use and the

volume of water entering your septic system.

- **Washing machines.**

Washing small loads of laundry on your washing machine's large-load cycle wastes water and energy. By selecting the proper load size, you will reduce water waste. If you are unable to select a load size, run only full loads of laundry.

Try to spread washing machine use throughout the week. Doing all household laundry in one day might seem like a time-saver; but it can harm your septic system, not allow your septic tank enough time to treat waste, and could flood your drainfield

Clothes washers that bear the [ENERGY STAR](#) label use 35 percent less energy and 50 percent less water than standard models. Other Energy Star appliances provide significant energy and water savings.

Properly Dispose of Waste

Whether you flush it down the toilet, grind it in the garbage disposal, or pour it down the sink, shower, or bath, everything that goes down your drains ends up in your septic system. What goes down the drain affects how well your septic system works.

Toilets aren't trash cans!

Your septic system is not a trash can. An easy rule of thumb: Do not flush anything besides human waste and toilet paper. Never flush:

- Cooking grease or oil
- Non-flushable wipes, such as baby wipes or other wet wipes
- Photographic solutions
- Feminine hygiene products
- Condoms
- Dental floss
- Diapers
- Cigarette butts
- Coffee grounds
- Cat litter
- Paper towels
- Pharmaceuticals
- Household chemicals like gasoline, oil, pesticides, antifreeze, and paint or paint thinners

Think at the sink!

Your septic system contains a collection of living organisms that digest and treat household waste. Pouring toxins down your drain can kill these organisms and harm your septic system. Whether you are at the kitchen sink, bathtub, or utility sink:

- Avoid chemical drain openers for a clogged drain. Instead, use boiling water or a drain snake.
- Never pour cooking oil or grease down the drain.
- Never pour oil-based paints, solvents, or large volumes of toxic cleaners down the drain.

Even latex paint waste should be minimized.

- Eliminate or limit the use of a garbage disposal. This will significantly reduce the amount of fats, grease, and solids that enter your septic tank and ultimately clog its drainfield.

Maintain Your Drainfield

Your drainfield—a component of your septic system that removes contaminants from the liquid that emerges from your septic tank—is an important part of your septic system. Here are a few things you should do to maintain it:

- **Parking:** Never park or drive on your drainfield.
- **Planting:** Plant trees the appropriate distance from your drainfield to keep roots from growing into your septic system. A septic service professional can advise you of the proper distance, depending on your septic tank and landscape.
- **Placing:** Keep roof drains, sump pumps, and other rainwater drainage systems away from your drainfield area. Excess water slows down or stops the wastewater treatment process.

