



NEWSLETTER January 2022



RECYCLING COLLECTION

Please have your cart out by 7:30 a.m. Your recycling will be picked up every two weeks. Jan. 6, 20 and Feb. 3 etc.

GARBAGE AND RECYCLING BINS

Garbage bins and recycling bins are to be placed inside the end of your driveway and **NOT** on the edge of the road. In the winter month, it is safer to put them out in the morning, rather than risk them being hit by the snowplough. The cost of replacing bins that are damaged is the responsibility of the property owners.

BAG TAG LOCATIONS

Please remember if you require refuse bag tags, tags can be purchased at Airways General Store or the Municipal Office. Each bag tag is \$2.

POSTAL DELIVERY / 911 SIGNS

Property owners are reminded to keep mailboxes (including gray boxes) clear of snow and other obstacles in order to receive uninterrupted mail delivery.

In addition, 911 numbers should be kept clear of snow so that they are visible by emergency vehicles. The sign should be visible by emergency personnel from 100ft.



A new year means a new chapter. Here is hoping 2022 is an incredible part of your story.

Wishing you a Happy New Year, with the hope that you will have many blessings in the year to come.



Reminder: Smoking or Vaping is NOT permitted on Municipal Property

THE RINK IS READY FOR SKATING

The Prince Township Festival and Event Pavilion rink is up and running.

If you are available to help with the rink please call Mayor Ken Lamming at 705-971-3663.

The hall and rinks will not be rented until further notice. Housekeeping rules are as follows:

1. Please respect other skaters and stay 6 feet away (2 metres) away from anyone outside your household
2. There can be no organized hockey or hockey games at this time
3. Change rooms and washrooms remain closed
4. Prince Township is not responsible for any lost or stolen items.

Cameras are installed in various locations at the Pavilion and the back of the office to monitor the buildings and yard. We hope this will help to minimize or eliminate any vandalism or misuse of the facilities.

Just a reminder that the Provincial Laws do not permit smoking / vaping **anywhere** on the municipal property.

The change rooms and washrooms will **NOT** be open to the public this year, due to covid 19. Benches will be available to sit and put your skates on.

Please make sure you obey the signs and stay off the ice when the rink is closed. If the weather is too mild and the ice is melting, you will jeopardize the rink and delay the re-opening.

Be safe and have fun!



ATTENTION DOG OWNERS

Under by-law 2001-03, all residents who own a dog or dogs must register them by purchasing an annual dog licence. Dog licences are due Jan. 4th, 2022 and will be available at the Municipal Office.

To avoid a \$15.00 late fee penalty, all dog licenses must be **renewed annually before Feb 25th**.

Remember to bring in conformation of last rabies shot date to purchase a tag.

The cost is \$7.50 for spayed or neutered dogs and \$15.00 otherwise.

If you cannot make it in during office hours, please contact the Township Office at 705-779-2992 ext. 1 or deputyclerk@twp.prince.on.ca .

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

Purchasing an annual dog license will ensure that your dog is returned quickly should he/she ever stray and assists us in providing animal control services in our community.



Hello dear friends of JOY-Full Socks. As we come close to the end of another wild and crazy year, I am grateful these trying times did not negatively impact our charity. I truly believe that is because of each and every one of you. YOU stepped up and offered your time, resources and love. YOU made sure JOY-Full Socks 2021 was going to be a huge success!

Thanks to your generous and kind souls we collected a total of **6,191 pairs of socks!!!**

My heart is filled with JOY and I thank you all very much.

Thanks to your donations, we were able to put together over 1,000 individual packages. We delivered more than 200 boxes and bags filled with the individual packages, extra socks and hygiene products, baby products, clothing, toys, blankets, non-perishable food, beautiful hand knit wear, and so much more!

Delivery to each of the 17 different charities was received with an abundance of smiles and praises of gratitude. Recipients were quite overwhelmed by your generosity and are awestruck with the reality that others have thought of them, and care about them. It is wonderful to experience their appreciation and joy. I receive their gratitude on your behalf.

I am, also, grateful to you. I could not run JOY-Full socks without your wonderful support, be it through a donation, providing labour or both. It is a gift to me to experience the goodness in each and every one of you.

Merry Christmas and may God bless all of you.

With love and a joyful heart,
Leslie



CAO/CLERK-TREASURER REPORT

Happy New Year!
2022 is ELECTION YEAR!
Let's hope that this year is filled with peace and prosperity for all.

We are excited to get started on the 2022 budget! RESIDENTS, keep informed on where your tax dollars are spent and what decisions your elected officials are making! Watch the budget meetings on ZOOM or in person if restrictions allow. Municipal elections are coming up in October and it is important to make an informed decision.

Municipal Fact: Did you know.....

There are **444 municipalities** in Ontario. Municipalities have a broad range of powers and responsibilities under the Municipal Act, 2001, the City of Toronto Act, 2006 (for the City of Toronto) and over 100 provincial acts. Prince Township is part of the largest group which has a population of 1,000 – 4,999.

Population	# of Municipalities	
Under 999	80	
1,000-4,999	112	where Prince Township falls
5,000-9,999	75	
10,000-24,999	84	
25,000-49,999	26	
50,000-99,999	31	
Over 100,000	36	

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Lynn Duguay

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

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COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

Regular Council Meetings
Tuesday January 11th, 2022
6:45 p.m.

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.

BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Dave Harnish Home: 705-779-9927

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Barbie Rudnicki (705)255-0419

ARREARS TAX NOTICES

Arrears notices are only sent out four times a year. They are mailed out March, June September and November. These are the months after the tax bill due dates (February, May, August and October).



EARLYON CHILD AND FAMILY CENTRE

Prince Township EarlyON Child and Family Centre staff have planned a January full of exciting programs and special events (both virtual and in-person)! Information on upcoming activities can be found on our Facebook page. Pre-registration for all activities (virtual and in-person) is required through www.KEYON.ca.

Enhanced health and safety measures will be in place at all times. Social distancing is to be practiced at all times. Please note, outside food and drinks will not be permitted within the centre. Snacks will be provided daily.

We look forward to seeing you in the New Year! Please call 705-779-3627, or message us on Facebook for more information. Thank you!

Find us on Facebook by searching: Earlyon Child and Family Centre Prince, SSM & Sault North



LIBRARY NEWS

BOARD MEETING: It is scheduled for Thursday January 6th at 5:30 p.m. The Chair will determine if it will be in person or by Zoom.

THE LIBRARY IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. WE ARE A VOLUNTEER LIBRARY. PLEASE CALL AHEAD to make sure a volunteer is available. 705-779-2992 ext. 5

NEW LIBRARY HOURS: STARTING JANUARY 3RD

MONDAY 2:00 -4:00

WEDNESDAY 1:00 -2:30

THURSDAY 10:00 – NOON and 2:00 – 4:00

FRIDAY 10:00-NOON and 2:00 – 4:00 P.M.

CLOSED SATURDAY, SUNDAY and STATUTORY HOLIDAYS.

USE THE BACK DOOR TO ACCESS THE LIBRARY. Hand sanitizer is available at the entrance. Protective face masks are mandatory and social distancing will be maintained.

BOOK CLUB: We are hoping to restart this in January. Due to Covid and social distancing, I have had to change the day, to the **THIRD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH**, in the large hall. Use the back door.

RECOMMENDED BOOKS: We have catalogued our new large print books and they are on the table near the desk. There are historical fiction, non fiction, and fiction for all readers.

McNaughton selections: **HOLD FAST** by J.H. Gelernter is a debut novel of historical fiction. A suspenseful tale of an English intelligence agent in the war against Napoleon.

BETTER OFF DEAD by authors Lee and Andrew Child. Jack Reacher finds Michaela Fenton an army veteran turned F.B.I. agent slumped over the wheel of her vehicle. She is searching for her twin brother who might be mixed up with some dangerous people. Reacher is good at finding people who don't

want to be found...

FIGHT MIGHT by Miriam Toews is “a love letter to mothers and grandmothers and to all the women who are still fighting- painfully, ferociously- for a way to live on their own terms.” from the publishers. The possible heirs of dying Tech billionaire Miles Cookson are mysteriously being eliminated. One could change your life, the other could end it. **WHO WILL FIND YOU FIRST?** by Linwood Barclay.

We have had some excellent “new to us” hard cover donations both fiction and nonfiction. They will be displayed on the large brown table.

REMEMBER: You are able to search from home using **OPAC** to find out what we have in the library. **YOU NEED TO USE YOUR PIN NUMBER.** Call and we will give it to you. You can send in your order to us and we will fill it out for you for pick up, if you want.

BOOK DEPOSIT BOX: Please put your items in a tied plastic bag.

The library will not be accepting book donations at this time. Thank you for your support.

PRINCE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Our next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday January 17th 2022 at 1:00 p.m. in the Library. All Covid protocols will be in place. Please **USE THE BACK DOOR.**



Our Prince Twp. Volunteer Fire Dept. use green flashing lights in their personal vehicles when they are responding to the fire hall for an emergency. If you see a vehicle with a green flashing light, please yield the right of way. Thanks for your co-operation!

GAS METER SAFETY KEEP YOUR METER CLEAR

Prevent an appliance malfunction or service interruption

Your safety comes first — that's why we're reminding you to always keep your natural gas meter, regulator and appliance exhaust vents clear of debris, especially snow and ice, throughout the year. A gas meter covered in snow or ice can impede its ability to regulate the pressure of the gas supplied to your home, which could lead to serious risks for you and your family.

Meter safety checklist

- Regularly check your meter, gas piping and vents to ensure they are clear of debris.
- After a storm, gently use a broom or soft brush to clean snow, ice or other debris off your meter, regulator and vents.
- Avoid hitting, kicking and using sharp objects on the meter set and vents.
- Leaky eavestroughs or exterior taps? Repair right away to prevent water from dripping on your gas meter and vents.
- Meter near a sidewalk or driveway? Please ensure it's visible to snowplow drivers.
- Don't forget to clear a path to your meter — it allows easy access for accurate meter readings or in emergency situations.

Need to report an icing problem?

If you suspect a problem or cannot remove the ice yourself, you can call 1-866-763-5427

EMERGENCY PLANNING FOR EXTREME COLD WEATHER

Prepare Your Home and Car for Winter

At Home:

- Have alternate means of heating with sufficient fuel, such as a wood or propane furnace, or a kerosene heater. Ensure alternative source of heat is approved for indoor use
- Generator with several days' worth of fuel (Caution: generators produce toxic gases such as carbon monoxide. These

should only be used outdoors where fumes may be vented safely.)

- Electric space heaters with automatic shut-off and non-glowing elements (to reduce the risk of fire)
- Blankets

In the Car:

- Travel with a mobile phone
- Blankets and other warm clothing (gloves, toques, jacket) – never rely on a car for heat since it may break down
- First aid kit
- Signalling device, such as road flares
- Booster cables
- Toolkit
- Bag of sand (to pour on ice or snow for added traction)
- Tow rope
- Collapsible shovel
- Flash light and spare batteries
- Candles and matches
- Brightly coloured clothes
- Container of water and high energy bars
- Windshield scraper

TIPS FOR DEALING WITH WINTER STORMS

Winter storms can be treacherous and damaging if you are unprepared. They can disrupt power supply and transportation and create home and personal safety issues. Bitter cold and winter storms kill more people than the number of Canadians killed by tornadoes, thunderstorms, lightning,

floods and hurricanes combined. Being prepared can literally save your life.

When winter storms are expected, Emergency Management Ontario advises the public to follow these safety tips.

Personal Preparedness

If you are indoors

- Listen to the radio and/or television for weather reports and emergency information.
- Ensure you have a well-stocked emergency kit, including a good supply of food.
- Bring pets/companion animals inside during winter weather. Move other animals or livestock to sheltered areas with non-frozen drinking water.
- Stay indoors. If you must go outside, dress for the weather to avoid serious cold-related injuries.

If you are outdoors

- Avoid overexertion when shoveling snow. If you must shovel snow, ensure you take frequent breaks so as not to over-stress your body.
- Dress in several layers of lightweight clothing, wear mittens and a hat (preferably one that covers your ears).
- Wear waterproof, insulated boots to keep your feet warm and dry and to maintain your footing in ice and snow.
- Cover your mouth. Protect your lungs from extremely cold air by covering your mouth when outdoors.
- Change wet clothing frequently to prevent a loss of body heat. Wet clothing loses all of its insulating value and transmits heat rapidly.
- It is important to regularly check for frostbite, indicators include numbness or white areas on your face and extremities (ears, nose, cheeks, hands and feet in particular).

Home Preparedness

Getting your home ready

- Cover windows with plastic from the inside to keep cold air out.
- Run water, even at a trickle, to help prevent pipes from freezing.
- If the pipes freeze, remove any insulation or layers of newspapers and wrap pipes in rags. Completely open all faucets and pour hot water over the pipes, starting where they were most exposed to the cold (or where the cold was most likely to penetrate).
- Maintain ventilation when using kerosene heaters to avoid build-up of toxic fumes. Refuel kerosene heaters outside and keep them at least three feet from flammable objects.



PRINCE TWP. VOTES

2022 Municipal Election

The next municipal election will be held on Monday, October 24, 2022. Elections for municipal government are held every four years on the fourth Monday of October.

Who can vote in the elections?

Anyone can vote in a municipal election who, on the day of the election is:

- 18 years of age or older
- a Canadian citizen; and
- either a resident of the municipality or a property owner or tenant or the spouse or same sex partner of an owner or tenant in the municipality during a specified time just before the election.

Your name must be on the voters' list in order for you to cast a ballot.

The voters' list is prepared in three steps:

1. A preliminary list is created by the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) based on data it keeps on home ownership and tenancy.

2. The preliminary list is sent to the municipal clerk after a by-election has been called or in advance of a regular election which occurs every 4 years. The clerk can correct any errors on the list, and the corrected list then becomes the voters' list.

3. Changes can be made to the list. If you are not on the voters' list, or if your information is incorrect (for example, you have moved and may be listed at a former address), you may apply to have your name added or your information corrected. This may be done until the close of voting on voting day in a regular election or by-election. You may have your name added to the voters' list at the voting place. You may be asked to show identification to establish that you are eligible to vote. More information about getting on the voters' list will be provided at a later date.

Who can be a candidate?

- A candidate must be a resident of the municipality or a non-resident owner or tenant of land in the municipality or the spouse of such non-resident owner or tenant;
- A Canadian citizen and at least 18 years old
- Not legally prohibited from voting; and not disqualified by any legislation from holding municipal office.
- You will need 25 signatures from eligible electors on your nomination form and must pay a fee of \$100 (\$200 for mayor).

Additional information for voters and candidates about the 2022 municipal election will be communicated more into 2022.

