

## SECOND INTERIM INSTALLMENT OF TAXES

Council passed Bylaw 2020-17 to provide for the township's interim tax levy. The due date for the second installment has been deferred to June 30 from May 15.

## VICTORIA DAY HOLIDAY

A reminder to everyone that the Municipal Office will be closed Monday May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020 for the Victoria Day Holiday.

## HOLIDAY GARBAGE

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

**Please have your cart out by 7:00 a.m. Garbage will be picked up earlier than in the past.**

## PRINCE LAKE GARBAGE PICK UP

Letters have been mailed out to all the cottages at Prince Lake, concerning garage pick up. If you have not received a letter, please contact the Township office at 705-779-2992.

No garbage is to be placed at the corner of Prince Lake Road and Second Line. There will be no delays due to holidays.

## RECYCLING CART COLLECTION

Please have your cart out by 7:00 a.m. Your recycling will be picked up every two weeks. May 14, 28 and June 11.

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May 10<sup>th</sup> 2020

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## FIRE PERMITS WILL NOT BE ISSUED UNTIL THE ONTARIO RESTRICTION IS LIFTED

### Coronavirus: Ontario is restricting outdoor fires during COVID-19 outbreak

The Ontario government is restricting outdoor fires to ensure the province's emergency response can focus on the novel [coronavirus](#) outbreak.

John Yakabuski, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, announced that the province's entire legislated fire region will be designated as "Restricted Fire Zone."

Residents who live in an area with a restricted fire zone cannot have an

outdoor fire. This includes burning of grass or debris, campfires, or the use of an outdoor fire grate, fireplace or fire pit.

"During this very challenging time when we are fighting the spread of the virus, our number one priority is the health and safety of the people of Ontario," stated Yakabuski.

"We are putting these important preventative measures in place now to ensure that our emergency responders are able to focus their efforts where they are needed most."

Yakabuski says the restriction will remain in place until Ontario's ability to respond to emergencies is no longer impacted by the COVID-19 outbreak.

Municipalities are working to update their websites with information for residents.

Further rules under a restricted fire zone are available on the [government's website](#).

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

### Dealing with Isolation

People in isolation may experience a wide range of feelings, including fear, anger, sadness, irritability, guilt or confusion. We are social creatures and need connection to others to thrive, which can make isolation challenging. A trusted source of information dealing with Mental Health and the Covid19 pandemic is "[camh.ca](#)".

## **A message from your Emergency Management Team**

### **Returning Home?**

It is mandatory for all travelers returning to Ontario to self isolate at home for a minimum of 14 days. You must have family or friends deliver groceries or other needs to your home. Social distancing guidelines should be followed. If you are unable to do this and require assistance you may call the municipal office for help.

Also, it is recommended that If you are 70 years of age or older, you should rely on friends or family for groceries or needs as well. Try to stay at home if possible.

Stay safe...stay at home.

### **Vulnerable Citizens Registry**

At the April 14, 2020 council meeting Council approved a confidentiality agreement with the Sault Ste. Marie Innovation Centre that will see the township's municipal office become a registration location for the Vulnerable Persons Registry (VPR).

The township office will distribute VPR registration kits, and provide secure storage for the completed application and consent forms to ensure that personal information remains confidential. The office will then mail the forms in sealed envelopes to the Innovation Centre's VPR Coordinator at 99 Foster Dr.

If you or a loved one in your home have a disability or have special needs, or if you care for a family member suffering with Alzheimer's or Dementia, please consider registering with our Vulnerable Citizens Registry. Help us to help you during an emergency.

For more information or to register email us at the municipal office, [lorraine@twp.prince.on.ca](mailto:lorraine@twp.prince.on.ca) or [cemcpri@twp.prince.on.ca](mailto:cemcpri@twp.prince.on.ca) or you may call 705-779-2992

### **PRINCE TOWNSHIP 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.

All permits are administered through the City of Sault Ste. Marie. Phone 705-759-5398 or email [building@cityssm.on.ca](mailto:building@cityssm.on.ca) .

### **JOB OPPORTUNITY**

#### **SUMMER STUDENT EMPLOYMENT**

#### **HERITAGE COMMITTEE STUDENT EMPLOYMENT**

Looking for a student for the Prince Township Museum for 9 weeks, from July 2 to August 31, 2018. We will need you for 35 hours a week. You will be paid minimum wage and need to take a health and safety training at the beginning of your employment. Duties include, but are not limited to

- Cleaning and minor maintenance

- Cataloguing of artifacts
- Showing the Museum, which consists of five buildings, to visitors
- Program planning

Must be returning to school in Fall term. Prefer a self starter with good computer skills, who likes working with the public. Knowledge of Prince Township and it's history is an asset.

Submit resumes to Prince Township Municipal Office, Attention "Museum" before June 1, 2018.

#### **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. To be eligible, candidates must have attended school full time this past year and must plan to return to school full time in the fall.

Submit a résumé to Rita Wagner at the Prince Township Public Library at 3042 Second Line West. For further information, call the library at (705)779-2992 ext. 5 or e-mail us at [ptpl@twp.prince.on.ca](mailto:ptpl@twp.prince.on.ca) .

#### **EARLYON CHILD AND FAMILY CENTRE 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 résumé to Kate Parniak, Program Manager, 3042 Second Line West, Prince Township, ON P6A 6K4 or email [pcr@twp.prince.on.ca](mailto:pcr@twp.prince.on.ca) or phone 705-779-3627.

**Student hiring may be delayed or cancelled should the COVID-19**

emergency continue into or through the summer.

## **CAO/CLERK-TREASURER REPORT**

We are living in strange times right now. The municipal building, parks and marina all remain closed to the public and the province remains under a state of emergency. The municipal office staff continues to be available by phone or email, with 2 of us in the office from Monday to Friday. Public works crew returned to work as well. We welcome back Liam to assist the Road Superintendent.

Although we have advertised for summer students for the library, museum and roads, and for a road's labourer, we will not be conducting interviews until it is safe to do so.

Council postponed the volunteer dinner that was scheduled for April. If we are able to reschedule it, we will be announcing it in a subsequent newsletter and of course, our volunteers will receive a personal invitation.

Council conducted their April meeting and a special budget meeting by zoom conference. Notice of meetings will be announce on our social media feeds, including our website, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Be patient, as this is new to all of us, and without a dedicated IT person, we are doing the best we can.

At the April 14, 2020 Council meeting, Council agreed to defer the May 15, 2020 interim tax instalment to June 30<sup>th</sup>. We have called everyone who supplied post-dated cheques, but if we did not reach you, please contact the office to let us know if you want us to process the cheque as written, or hold it until June 30<sup>th</sup>. Interest on the May 15<sup>th</sup> interim will not be calculated until July 1, if it is outstanding.

Please check our social media and website for any other events that may have to be cancelled, as the COVID-19 pandemic continues to change the world we live in.

Wishing all moms, a Happy Mother's Day! I hope your children can connect with you in someway to celebrate you!



Respectfully,  
Peggy Greco,  
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

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

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[klamming@princetwp.ca](mailto:klamming@princetwp.ca)

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## **COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE**

Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
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**  
David Harnish (705)779-9927

**DOG CONTROL OFFICER**  
Barbie Rudnicki – 705-255-0419  
Barbie will handle domestic animal issues.



## **EarlyON Child and Family Centre**

Please follow the Prince Township EarlyON Child and Family Centre on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/EarlyOn-Child-and-Family-Centre-Prince-SSM-Sault-North-100505418293/> for current updates, at-home activities and more information for families. We look forward to continuing to support and engage with our communities through social media!



## LIBRARY NEWS

WE ARE STILL OFFICIALLY CLOSED. You will not be fined for overdue books, as circulation is being monitored by Katrina and myself, and items will be renewed as necessary.

OVERDRIVE: As patrons of Prince Township Library you can access this (FREE) by using your BARCODE number. If you want to continue reading and have lost or forgotten your barcode, call the Library 705-779-2992 ext. 5. Leave a message and we will get back to you the next day or so with your information.

All programs are on hold until further notice.

DROP OFF BOX: If you are putting items in the box, please put them in a tied plastic bag. Thank you.

## PRINCE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The meetings are on hold until further notice.

MEMBERSHIP DUES: Please send a cheque to Jane Darlow as soon as possible.

The forms (District and Branch ) have to be sent in to Provincial.

## **Building Permits**

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](mailto: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!

## **Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Alarms**

Test your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms every month and change the batteries at least once a year or whenever the low-battery warning chirps. Don't remove the batteries for any other reason.

**Smoke/Carbon**

**Monoxide Alarms:**

No Battery, No Chance



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!

## **HALF LOAD RESTRICTIONS**

Half load restrictions on all municipal roads are in effect until further notice. Enforcement is the responsibility of the By-law Enforcement Officer, David Harnish at (705)-779-9927.

## **ATTENTION DOG OWNERS UNLICENSED DOGS**

Dog licences were due January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020. As of March 1<sup>st</sup> there is a \$15.00 penalty per dog applied to the cost of the licence. The cost is \$7.50 for spayed or neutered dogs or \$15.00 otherwise. **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](mailto:lorraine@twp.prince.on.ca).

Spring  
is in  
the air



## **Tips for keeping your property and neighborhood safe**

### **Lock it**

Lock your garage, your vehicles and your home - even when you are home. It may sound obvious, but many criminals will check to see if doors are unlocked, giving them an easy opportunity to strike. Also, whether or not you have a security system or a dog, put up signs warning people about both. If everything is locked up and criminals are faced with the prospect of additional deterrents, most will move on.

### **Secure it**

Install additional security locks on exterior doors and windows and don't forget about surveillance! When possible, install devices that permit sight to the other side, such as chain link fences, and keep shrubs and bushes trimmed below ground level windows and trees pruned above eye level to eliminate areas of potential concealment. Consider installing a security system as an additional deterrent.

### **Light it**

Turn on your lights! Use timers on your lights when you're away from your home or business so they appear occupied. At night, use outdoor lighting to enhance illumination in dark areas around your property where an intruder might

hide, such as stairwells, alleys and hallways. Install motion lights and/or cameras at all entrances and turn your porch lights on at night.

### **Hide it**

Install and use blinds and curtains to prevent people from seeing inside your home, especially at night. Protect yourself, your belongings and your privacy with good quality window coverings. Consider frosted treatments on garage windows, which will still allow in natural

light, but prevent people from seeing inside your garage. And don't "hide" spare keys under a doormat or in a planter; keep them with a trusted neighbor or nearby business.

### **Remove it**

Never leave valuables in your vehicle, especially a wallet or purse. Take any electronics, such as cell phones, tablets and laptops inside with you, including your remote garage door opener. In many cases, criminals will enter a vehicle for the sole purpose of stealing your garage door opener in hopes of gaining access to your garage and, subsequently, your home. Also be cautious about placing boxes from big ticket items, such as a new television, out for recycling as this can be an invitation to thieves who now know exactly what's in your home.

### **Share it**

Introduce yourself to your neighbor's, as neighbor's who know each other watch out for one another. Get to know other people who live on your street.

Consider setting up (or joining!) a page on social media for your subdivision as a way to communicate and share information with one another. But keep in mind you need to be cautious about what you share on social media sites - even if it's considered a friendly or helpful group. Divulging too much personal information can potentially put you and your property at risk, as there is no way to know or control the intentions of other social media group members.

Do not share or discuss personal information, such as upcoming vacations or when you, or other family members, will be away from your home, on social media. Advertising when you are going to be away from your property for an extended period of time is like hanging a "come on in" sign on your door for thieves. Personal information like this should only be shared with a trusted neighbor, friend or family member who can keep an eye on your property while you're away.

### **Report it**

See something suspicious? If it's an emergency or crime in progress, call 9-1-1.



### **911 SIGNS**

Residents are requested to make sure that 911 civic number signs are clear of trees, etc. The sign should be visible by emergency personnel from 100 ft.

## Recycling

**One bad apple can ruin your recycling.**  
 Make sure organics and food scraps stay out of your blue box





### Recycling Reminder

Rinse your recycling to prevent contamination.



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 Day

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### STAXABLE INCOME TAX SERVICE



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 Prince Township, ON P6A 6K4

- Personal Income Tax
- Small Business Income Tax
- New Home / Renovation HST rebate

#### Jessica O'Donnell

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*"Don't spend your return, trying to file your return!"*

**Welcome Spring**

### Prince Twp. Recreation Committee Cancels PRINCE TWP. CLASSIC CAR SHOW MOTORCYCLE SHOW

On behalf of the Prince Township Recreation Committee, we regret to inform you that due to the pandemic, we have made the difficult decision to cancel this years' Prince Twp. Classic Car Show.

Hoping everyone gets through these difficult times and thank you for your support and understanding.

If you would like to have your newsletter emailed to you every month, please email [lorraine@twp.prince.on.ca](mailto:lorraine@twp.prince.on.ca).



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