



SECOND INTERIM INSTALLMENT OF TAXES

The second interim installment of taxes is due **May 26th, 2025**.

WE NOW OFFER TAX BILLS VIA EMAIL.

If you would like to receive yours electronically, please fill out the contact form on our website at: <https://www.princetownship.ca/taxpayer-contact-update--e-billing-authorization-form.html>

HOLIDAY GARBAGE AND RECYCLING

Garbage and recycling collection will be delayed one day as a result of the Victoria Day Holiday. **Please have your cart out by 7:00 a.m.**

RECYCLING CART COLLECTION

Please have your cart out by **7:00 a.m.** Your recycling will be picked up every two weeks. May 8 and 22. **This may be delayed due to the Victoria Day holiday.**

NEWSLETTERS:

You can sign up to receive the newsletter to your inbox directly on our website at: <https://www.princetownship.ca/newsletters.html>

Or by emailing: deputyclerk@princetwp.ca



NEWSLETTER May 2025



May 11th, 2025

Wishing all the mothers, grandmothers, and mother figures in our community a wonderful and joyful Mother's Day!

Thank you for the love, strength, and care you bring to our families and to Prince Township each and every day.

Please note that the Township Office will be closed Monday May 19th, 2025, for Victoria Day.

Enjoy the extra-long weekend everyone!



FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Prince Fire Department Open House and FireSmart Information Session

Join us on Saturday, May 25th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Prince Township Fire Hall for a special Open House and FireSmart Information Session!

Come meet our volunteer firefighters, learn more about the important work of the Prince Fire Department, and find out how you can protect your home and property by staying **#FireSmart**.

For additional fire safety tips and resources, be sure to visit the FireSmart page on our Township website at:

<https://www.princetownship.ca/firesmart.html>

You can also follow our fire department on facebook at:

<https://www.facebook.com/princefiredepartment>

REMINDER: All residents wishing to burn between the months of April and November must obtain a valid burning permit. The seasonal permit fee is \$20.00.

We're pleased to share that online credit card payments are once again available for burning permits, as well as for dog tags and marina passes. Simply visit www.princetownship.ca/fire-permit.html, **click the FIRE PERMIT** button on the top of the page, and follow the on-screen checkout instructions.

Alternatively, you may complete the EFT form found on the same webpage and email it to: adminassist@princetwp.ca

Permits can also be purchased in person at the Municipal Office, where we currently accept cash, cheque, or credit. We are working toward offering debit payments in the future.

Reminder: NO DAYTIME BURNING is permitted, and burning without a valid permit may result in fines.

REC COMMITTEE:

Hey Prince Residents, Happy Spring 🌸
There are no scheduled events for May.

Plans are in the works for a **summer concert series. We are planning live music at the Prince pavilion on the following dates:**

- June 12**
- July 10**
- Aug 9**
- Sept 11**

In addition to the summer concert series, we are planning **summer movie nights on June 20, July 18, Aug 15 and Sept 19!**

We are also planning a community garage sale on June 21. This will be run like last year where each participant holds a garage sale on their property on the same day. The Rec committee will provide a map of the participants.

Stay tuned for these community events by following our facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/princereccommitt ee>

We are looking for volunteers for upcoming events. **Please email us if you are interested in helping us out at:**

Princereccommittee@gmail.com

Hoping the April showers bring May flowers and lots of ☀️sunshine

ATTENTION DOG OWNERS:

Dog Tag Registration – Late Fees Now in Effect

All dogs in Prince Township must be licensed annually under the Township's Dog Control By-law.

The registration deadline was March 1, 2025, and a \$15 late fee per dog is now in effect.

Dog tags are still available for purchase at the Municipal Office or online at:

<https://www.princetownship.ca/dog-tags.html>

- \$10 for spayed/neutered dogs
- \$20 for unaltered dogs
- + \$15 late fee per dog

Proof of current rabies vaccination is required at the time of registration.

If you no longer own your dog, or if you require assistance, please contact us at 705-779-2992 or email: adminassist@princetwp.ca

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our community safe and responsible.

ANIMAL CONTROL: Dogs and Cats ONLY*

Barbie Rudnicki Ph:705-255-0419

Animal control by-law is 2025-04 for reference

ROADS:

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 office at: info@princetwp.ca

Spring Road Maintenance Update

As temperatures rise and the freeze-thaw cycle continues, potholes and other road surface issues may become more visible.

Please be advised that our Public Works team has resumed seasonal operations and is working diligently to address road conditions and complete necessary repairs as quickly as possible.

We kindly ask all residents to exercise caution when travelling near work areas, and to obey all posted signage and instructions for the safety of both workers and the public.

To report a concern on township-maintained roads, please contact the office 705-779-2992 ext. 2 or submit a

feedback form here:

<https://www.princetownship.ca/citizen-grievances-concerns.html>

on the website

We appreciate your patience and cooperation during this busy season.

For roadwork requests on **Second Line (Hwy 550) and Airport road (Hwy565)**, please direct inquiries to **Ledcor at 1-866-453-3267**.

If you have contacted Ledcore and are unhappy with the results, please contact the MTO complaint line at: 1-877-366-0669

Mayor and Council:

Mayor: Melanie Mageran (705)989-4346
mmick@princetwp.ca

Eugene Caputo (705)989-4309
ecaputo@princetwp.ca

Margaret Christenson (705)779-3996
mchristenson@princetwp.ca

Jane Weir (705)257-7926
jweir@princetwp.ca

Tiana Trutenko (705) 989-4237
tianatrutenk@princetwp.ca

***Reminder: Complaints/concerns are to be directed to the office.**

COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

Regular Council Meeting

**Tuesday May 13th, 2025,
6:00 p.m.**

Agendas are posted on the website the Friday before the meeting.



EarlyON Child and Family Centre

Prince Township EarlyON Child and Family Centre is open for in-person programming! All program and event information can be found at www.keyon.ca as well as on our Facebook page. Please call 705-779-3627 for more information.

Hours:

Monday 9:00am – 2:00pm
Tuesday 9:00am – 12:00pm
Wednesday 9:00am – 2:00pm
Thursday 2:00pm – 7:00pm
Friday 9:00am – 2:00pm
Saturday 9:00am – 2:00 pm

***First Friday of every month (May 2nd) 9:00am-1:00 pm**

Find us on Facebook: EarlyOn Child and Family Centre Prince, SSM & Sault North



LIBRARY:

Thank you to Mary Moore who has stepped up to lead the library's activities.

The first session begins on Saturday May 3 at 10:00 a.m. to 11:30. See the full list of activities further below or on our website at <https://www.ptpl.ca/>

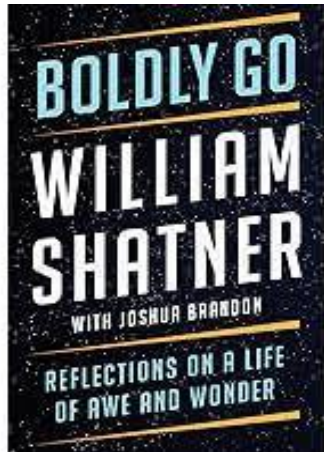
LIBRARY BOARD MEETING: Thursday May 8th at 5:30 in the library.

WE ARE A VOLUNTEER RUN LIBRARY AND OCCASIONALLY ARE NOT AVAILABLE OR RUNNING LATE. PLEASE CALL FIRST 705-779-2992 EX.5.

LIBRARY WINTER HOURS:

Monday:----- 10:00am-12:00pm, 2:00pm-4:00pm
Tuesday:-----2:00pm-4:00pm
Wednesday:--- 10:00am-12:00pm, 1:00pm-2:30pm
Thursday:-----1:00pm-3:00pm, 5:30pm-7:00pm
Friday: ----- 10:00am-12:00pm, 1:00pm-3:00pm

BOOK CLUB: You are welcome to join us at 1:00 p.m. in the library on May 21st (it's the third Wednesday of the month). There is a list of books for discussion in the library. The May 21st selection will be: **BOLDLY GO** by William Shatner.



The June selection will be: **THE SEVEN HUSBANDS OF EVELYN HUGO** by Taylor Jenkins Reid.

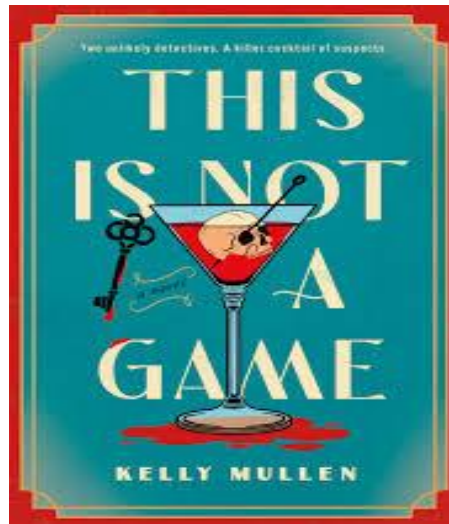
LARGE PRINT BOOKS:

Our new shipment from Ontario Library Service North has arrived for your enjoyment. We have the books for three months and then they are sent to another library. They are in the bookcase at the back of the room with the new arrivals. There are all types of books, western, non-fiction, thriller, and romance.

“NEW” TO US BOOKS: These hard cover and paperback are on the brown table near the circulation desk. They are donations or purchased with funds from the Friends of the Library or the Library and are recently published.

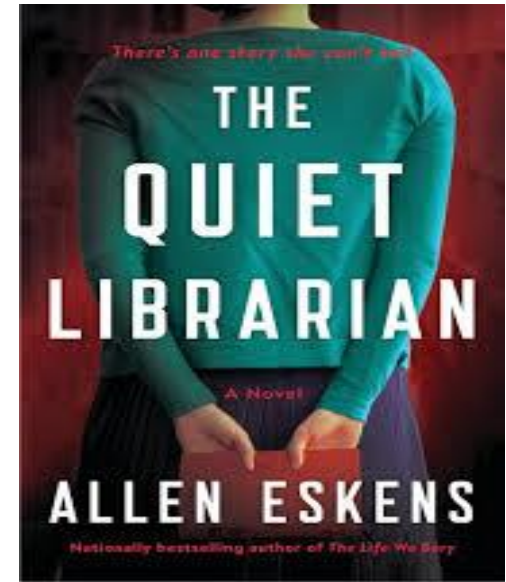
RECOMMENDED BOOKS: These are from our McNaughton selection found on the back bookcase. Some authors are new to us, but the genre is what our patrons enjoy.

THIS IS NOT A GAME by Kelly Mullen: Set on Mackinac Island, where a murder, martinis, a widowed grandmother Mimi, and her estranged granddaughter Addie, are invited to a charity auction at the home of Jane Ireland. When Jane is murdered, Addie and her grandmother team up to narrow down the suspects...



MIDNIGHT BLACK; Gray Man novel by Mark Greaney: With his lover Zoya imprisoned in a Russian gulag, Court Gentry the Gray Man has one thing that is keeping him going, the belief that she is not dead, and he will stop at nothing to free her....

THE QUIET LIBRARIAN by Allen Eskens. After the murder of her best friend, a Minnesota librarian's search for answers leads back to her own dark secrets from thirty years ago in Bosnia, as the legendary, deadly Night Mora...



BATTLE MOUNTAIN a Joe Pickett novel by C.J. Box. Outlaw falconer Nate Romanowski is off the grid, with fellow falconer Geronimo Jones, and he is out for revenge against Axel Soledad and Dallas Cates after they decimated his falcons. Joe and rookie game warden Susan Kany are looking for the governor's missing son-in-law. Their journeys will converge on Battle Mountain...

BOOK SALE: We have many good reads for you on the table and in the bookcase in the library. Hard cover books are \$1.00 Paper backs are \$.50 each and children's

books are 5 for \$1.00, Puzzles are \$2.00.

These are excellent affordable Mother's Day gifts. Give the gift of a book and the quiet time to let mom read



WE ARE NOT ACCEPTING DONATIONS AT THIS TIME.

May Prince Twp. Library Activities for May:

Due to limited space please register. If you have any questions or want to register please email us at: princetwplibrary@gmail.com

Saturday May 3, 10-11:30

Basic Literacy/Math.. Ages 4-6 years
This activity allows parents/guardians to engage with their child in Literacy/Math activities.

Thursday May 8, 6:30-8:30

Neurographic Art: Rewiring Your Brain Through Art: Neuro Art is an expressive form of art that helps relieve anxiety and promotes mental health. No artistic skills required.

Paper, markers and crayons provided. If you prefer colour markers please bring them.



**Thursday May 15, 6:30-8:30
Knitting/Crocheting Group**

If you are interested in learning to knit/crochet or if you are a seasoned knitter/crocheter come join us. We have knitting needles and yarn but no crochet hooks, so if you are interested in learning to crochet please bring your own hook.



Saturday May 31, 10-12

Reading with Maggie

Maggie is a registered therapy dog who loves to be read to. Come and join us to read to Maggie.



****Please note** that when a child is involved in an activity, the parent or guardian needs to be in the building.

Follow our facebook page for updates on all the great activities at: Prince Twp Library Activities

MARINA: Marina Renovations Nearing Completion – 2025 Season Launching May 15

We are pleased to announce that renovations to the floating docks and launch ramp, undertaken in partnership with the Department of Oceans and Fisheries, are nearing completion. Final inspections are scheduled for the second week of May and are progressing on schedule to support our regular **opening date of May 15, 2025.**

With the new season comes a revised fee

structure, effective April 1st, 2025:

Fees:

- **Daily Launch Fee: \$7**
- **Seasonal Launch Pass: \$75***
- **Seasonal Dockage: \$20/foot**

***Veterans:** Eligible for a complimentary seasonal launch pass upon presentation of appropriate documentation to the municipal office.

Launch passes can now be purchased online using credit card or electronic funds transfer (EFT) via our website: www.princetownship.ca/marina.html.

Passes will be issued during the second week of May and available for pickup at the Township Office.

Please note that all users, including those launching non-motorized watercrafts such as **canoes or kayaks are required to pay the applicable fee. The marina is under video surveillance.** Unauthorized use of the facility, including failure to pay the appropriate fees, is considered a violation of municipal policy and will be treated accordingly.

User fees directly support the upkeep, safety, and ongoing improvements of our marina infrastructure. By paying your share, you help ensure that this vital community asset remains safe, clean, and accessible for all.

We thank all residents and visitors for their cooperation and support. For the latest marina updates, please visit:

👉 www.princetownship.ca/marina.html

Beaver Activity in the Area – Stay BeaverWise

As part of our commitment to environmental stewardship and public safety, the Township reminds residents to remain vigilant and *BeaverWise* as beaver activity increases throughout the spring and summer months.

Beavers are an important part of our local ecosystem, but their dam-building and tree-felling habits can sometimes lead to unintended consequences, including blocked culverts, localized flooding, and impacts to municipal infrastructure.

Here's how you can stay BeaverWise:

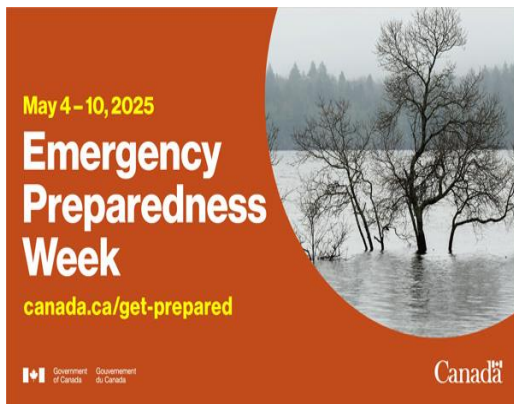
- **Do not attempt to dismantle dams or relocate beavers yourself.** This can be dangerous and is not permitted without proper authorization.
- **Do not feed or approach beavers.** While generally not aggressive, they are wild animals and should be observed from a distance.

- **Secure trees and shoreline areas.** If you live near water, consider wrapping the base of valuable trees with mesh to deter gnawing.
- **Report any signs of beaver-related issues,** such as rising water levels near roads, blocked drainage, or dam activity near infrastructure.

The Township is actively monitoring known beaver habitats and responds to concerns as they arise. Residents are encouraged to promptly report any beaver-related issues to the municipal office. Details on how to **identify beaver activity and submit a report are available on our website at:** www.princetownship.ca/beaverwise.html

Working together, we can balance ecological protection with infrastructure safety and community well-being.





Emergency Preparedness Week: May 4-10, 2025

Take action so that you, your family, and your community are prepared for emergencies.

Emergency Preparedness Week (EP Week) is a national event supported by Public Safety Canada, working closely with provincial and territorial emergency management organizations, Indigenous organizations, non-governmental organizations, and private sector organizations who support activities at the local level. An annual event for over 25 years, it traditionally takes place during the first full week of May.

Everyone has a role to play in an emergency. EP Week is an opportunity for you to take action to ensure you are prepared to protect yourself, your family and your community during an emergency.

This year, the theme is *Be Prepared. Know Your Risks*. The intent of the theme is to encourage Canadians to understand the

risks in their area and learn what actions they can take to protect themselves and their families.



Be Prepared, Make your own emergency kit:

It can be as simple as making an emergency kit with items found around your home, creating a family emergency plan, or becoming more informed about the hazards in your area.

More info on [rules and regulations](#) are available.

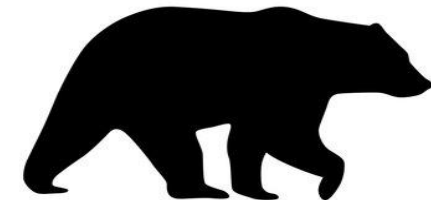
Resources

- [Emergency Management Organizations](#)
- [Emergency Preparedness Week Toolkit](#)
- [Emergency Preparedness Guide](#)
- [Learn about hazards and other emergencies](#)
- [Make an emergency plan](#)
- [Build an emergency kit](#)

For more information, please contact [ps.getprepared-](mailto:ps.getprepared-preparevous.sp@ps-sp.gc.ca)

preparevous.sp@ps-sp.gc.ca or call 1-800-830-3118.

This national event is coordinated by Public Safety Canada, in close collaboration with the provinces and territories and partners.



BEAR TIPS:

Living in Northern Ontario, some of us will come across wildlife, including bears. While negative encounters with animals are rare, bear sightings are quite common in Sault Ste. Marie and Prince Township.

If a bear poses an immediate threat to personal safety please call 911 for police assistance. If you notice a nuisance bear, one that is checking garbage cans, sheds and or birdfeeders please notify the Ministry

of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry by calling their toll free number 1-866-514-2327.

If you do come across a bear, here are a few other tips to keep yourself and your loved ones safe.

- Keep your property clear of garbage, ripe berries and other food sources that may attract a bear
- When using a barbecue, make sure to clean it on a regular basis
- Do not leave pet food outdoors or in screened-in areas or porches

If you find yourself in a situation with an angry or agitated bear, please follow the below instructions as laid out by the MNRF.

Do

- Slowly back away while keeping the bear in sight and wait for it to leave.
- If the bear does not leave, throw objects, wave your arms and make noise with a whistle or air horn.
- Prepare to use bear spray.
- If you are near a building or vehicle get inside as a precaution.

Do not

- Run, climb a tree or swim — a bear can do these things much better than you
- Kneel down
- Make direct eye contact



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 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.