



TAX BILLS

Final 2020 tax bills were mailed in July. Council passed Bylaw 2020-25 to provide for the township's final tax levy. The fourth installment has been deferred to **Nov. 15** from Oct.15.

During COVID-19 the office is closed to the public, payments can be dropped off into the black locked box by the entrance door of the Community Centre. Payments can also be paid by telephone or internet banking.

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

Please note that the Prince Township Office will be closed on Monday October 12th, 2020.

HOLIDAY GARBAGE

Garbage and recycling collection will be delayed one day as a result of the Thanksgiving Day Holiday. Please have your cart out **at the end of your driveway** by 7 am.

RECYCLING COLLECTION

Your recycling will be picked up every two weeks. Oct. 1, 16 and 29, etc. Please have your cart out **at the end of your driveway** by 7 am.

Prince Twp. Monthly Newsletters

If you would like the newsletter emailed to you, please email Lorraine at lorraine@twp.prince.on.ca.

NEWSLETTER October 2020



CHANGE YOUR CLOCK, CHANGE YOUR BATTERIES

On **November 1st**, you set your clocks back one hour. When you change your clocks, change the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors too!

BATTERY COLLECTION

We are registering with Call2Recycle for the recycling of household batteries, both single-use and rechargeable. We will be receiving a collection box and you will be able to bring your batteries to the office for recycling. The Municipality will receive \$0.55/kg and we will all be doing our part.

We will let everyone know when we receive the collection box.

MAILBOXES

It is hard to believe with the week's weather, but winter is fast approaching.

Please check your mailboxes and make sure they are at the standard height to avoid damage from snow removal equipment. Also, ensure that they are reinforced to handle any snow load. Specifications for your mailbox can be found at:

https://www.canadapost.ca/cpo/mc/assets/pdf/personal/rmb_guidelines_e.pdf

The area in front of a rural mailbox must be kept clear of snow and ice to ensure uninterrupted delivery of letter and parcels.

The city will only be responsible for mailboxes that their equipment physically damages. They will not replace mailboxes damaged by snow load or improper installation.

Thank you for your co-operation.



CAO/CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT

It is a scary time as we move into the second wave of COVID, but we get to enjoy the beautiful colours and weather of fall.

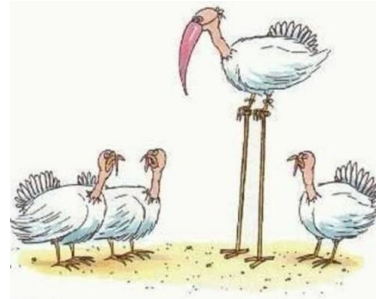
Work is almost completed on the roof of the Conway Homestead. It is looking great thanks to ServPro.

Our October 13 will be in person and streamed on Zoom as well.

The office remains closed to the public. We are having video intercoms installed soon at both front and back doors. Provided the province does not put us in lockdown again, the library will be offering some open hours. The access will be only to the library via the back door. The rest of the building will be off limits, including the washrooms. You will be required to wear a mask and answer a few screening questions before entering the building.

The paving schedule for Base Line has been delayed but is expected to be completed this month. Please be patient with the crews as they complete the work. Slow down and keep them safe.

We have plenty to be thankful for even as deal with Covid 19. Wishing each and every one of you a very happy and safe Thanksgiving!



"He's got a point. Nobody eats a flamingo on Thanksgiving."

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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COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

Regular Council Meeting & Planning Matters

Tuesday, October 13th, 2020
6:45 pm

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

ANIMAL 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 BOARD MEETING: Thursday
October 1st at 5:30 p.m.

CALENDARS: Sandy has sent in the order and we want to thank the board and volunteers who took the time to telephone and approach the community to renew or buy a calendar for the first time. A big thank you to our advertisers who have been with us for thirty years and those who just joined us. Please support them as they have supported the library in our fund raiser. Thanks to Stephen Murray for the photo that we will be using for 2021.

RECOMMENDED BOOKS: We are still waiting for the McNaughton books to arrive BUT I have been finding some excellent books that we have on the shelves and we had some “new to us” donations this summer. Check on OPAC.

Our large print books have arrived from Ontario Library Service North. We have them on a 3 month rotation with other northern Ontario libraries.

WANT LIBRARY BOOKS?

CALL 705-779-2992 EXT.3. Katrina will take your order. **WE ARE OFFERING CURB SIDE SERVICE AT THIS TIME.** If you want to access OPAC, you need your Pin number.

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.
2. When the request is received and processed, you will either be contacted by Phone or Email to set up a pick-up time.
 3. All pick-ups will happen at the Library Book Drop-Off Box.

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

HOURS: SORRY FOR THE INCONVIENCE.
Until the Municipal Hall is open to the public, the Library will be operating with curbside service, by telephone or e mail ptpl@twp.prince.on.ca



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.

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.

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!

WINTER REMINDERS

SNOW REMOVAL REMINDER



Pushing snow across roads and streets is not only a safety hazard; it is also against the law. The Ontario Traffic Act states:
No person shall deposit snow or ice on a roadway without permission in writing to do so from the Ministry or the road authority responsible for the maintenance of the road. R.S.O. 1990, c. H.8, s. 181

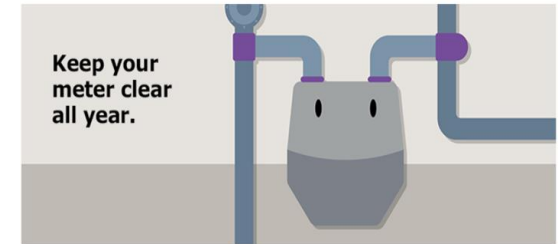
Prince Twp. By-law 2019-38 also prohibits this action.

WINTER PARKING

Motorists are reminded that there is no parking of vehicles on Township streets between Nov. 1st and April 30th, during the winter months.

GAS METER SAFETY

Gas Meter Safety



It's important to keep your natural gas meter and exhaust vents free of ice and snow in winter, and clear of storage boxes, garden tools and vegetation in summer. This helps ensure that gas-fired equipment functions safely and efficiently and allows Union Gas easy access for accurate meter readings or emergency response.

Indoor heating equipment – your furnace, water heater and thermostat – needs to be accessible too. Please ensure that storage boxes and household supplies are kept well away from indoor appliances so Union Gas or your heating contractor can get at them for emergency service or repairs.

Be sure your pets are secured and not blocking access to your gas meter or equipment during meter reading and service calls. A visiting Union Gas representative can surprise even the friendliest dog and lead to aggressive behavior and bites.



Be COVID-19

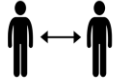
W I S E



Wear
a face mask.



Isolate
when you are sick.



Stay
2 metres apart.



Exercise
frequent hand hygiene.

What the mandatory mask means



You must wear a mask or face covering when in indoor public spaces



The mask must cover your nose, mouth and chin



Children under 2 and those who cannot wear a mask for a medical & other reasons are exempt



You **DO NOT** need to show proof of your exemption



“JOY-Full Socks” was launched nine years ago by Leslie Cassidy-Amadio. To date over **20,000 pairs of socks, along with grooming products, were donated and shared among multiple local charities.** Due to the Covid pandemic the need is much greater, so we are happy to announce that the charity will be running again this year.

It's an easy way to get involved in helping those in need. It's as simple as purchasing socks and filling them with grooming products, such as toothpaste, toothbrush, shampoo, soap, etc. The products and socks can be aimed at a particular gender or age group. You can fill the socks with the grooming products or place all in a gift bag.

We also take financial donations, or if you wish to purchase a new toy for a child. Just use your imagination and have fun. There are so many ways to be involved and each and every way will make a difference. Your simple gift will mean a great deal to someone who is in need of support. Last year we delivered to 20 different charity locations, with the patrons of the Soup Kitchen Community Centre being the main recipients.

Please bring your donation to the Prince Township Office, at 3042 Second Line West, by **November 18th, 2020**, (due to the pandemic you will have to buzz in for the office staff). If you need additional information, Leslie can be reached at [\(705\) 779-2836](tel:7057792836).



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!



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
- Signaling device, such as road flares
- Booster cables
- Toolkit
- Bag of sand (to pour on ice or snow for added traction)
- Tow rope
- Collapsible shovel
- Flashlight and spare batteries
- Candles and matches
- Brightly colored clothes
- Container of water and high energy bars
- Windshield scraper

Emergency Preparedness Starts With You

Family Emergency Kit

During an emergency you may have no electrical power or be asked to evacuate. An emergency kit contains essential items you and your family need to survive on your own for at least 72 hours. Keep a kit at home, work and in your car. Your kit should be easy to carry and portable such as a knapsack or suitcase. Check the contents twice a year to ensure the freshness of food and water, and refresh items if needed.

KIT ESSENTIALS:

- Non-perishable food
- Prescription medication
- Manual can opener
- Bottled water (4L per person, per day)
- Flashlight, glow stick
- Radio (w/batteries) or crank radio
- First-aid kit
- Whistle to signal for help
- Cell phone with chargers and backup battery
- Clothing, footwear, blankets or sleeping bags
- Moist towelettes, hand sanitizers and garbage bags for personal sanitation
- Extra keys and cash
- Copies of important papers (identification, insurance)

Customize your kit to meet the unique needs of your family. If you or someone in your household has a disability or special need, check out the Emergency Preparedness Guide for

People with Disabilities/Special Needs at ontario.ca/beprepared for additional information on what to include in your emergency kit and family plan.

Pet Emergency Kit

Bring your pets indoors at the first indication of an emergency. If you have to evacuate, take your pets with you if it's safe to do so. Build a pet emergency kit and keep it with your family kit. For more detail, please visit ontariospca.ca/

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