



We're Here for You!

The doors to our municipal buildings may be closed to the general public, but our phone lines and emails remain open. Need assistance? Contact us by phone or email. View staff contact information at springwater.ca/contact

Looking for information on how the municipality is responding to the COVID-19 health crisis? Get all of the latest updates at springwater.ca/COVID19

Upcoming Meetings

Heritage Advisory Committee
Tuesday, January 26 at 6:30 p.m.

Finance & Audit Committee
Wednesday, January 27 at 4:00 p.m.

Committee of Adjustment
Wednesday, January 27 at 7:00 p.m.

Cultural Advisory Committee
Tuesday, February 2 at 6:30 p.m.

Council meetings are live streamed online at springwater.ca/live. A call in option (audio only) is also available.

Board and committee meetings can be accessed via Zoom Conferencing. View the agendas for details.

Interim Tax Billing

The 2021 Interim Tax Bills will be mailed in late January. Installment due dates are Wednesday, February 17, 2021 and Wednesday, April 21, 2021.

Failure to receive a tax bill does not relieve the taxpayer from payment of taxes or from liability of penalty charges for late payment.

If your mortgage company pays your property taxes, you will not receive a tax bill.

Water & Wastewater Billing

The Township's third-party contractor, WAMCO Waterworks, will be conducting water meter reads in late January. Water & wastewater bills will be released in early February.

A Note to Our Springwater Residents on Outdoor Rinks

Township Administration understands that there is confusion surrounding the closing of the outdoor rinks in the municipality. The decision to close them was not made lightly and was made in consultation with the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit and to abide by the regulations under the provincial stay-at-home order.

Under the current stay-at-home order put in place by the Province, outdoor rinks are permitted to be open, however the onus is on the municipality to ensure that restrictions, including the 5 person gathering limits, are being adhered to.

Since they opened for the season, the outdoor rinks across the Township have required constant monitoring and supervision. Staff have been inundated with calls, emails and social media messages from concerned residents advising that the current restrictions in place were not being abided by. The complaints ranged in nature from failure to abide by the previous 10-person capacity limit, staying over the designated time limit even when others were waiting, individuals bringing their own nets and playing hockey (against the restrictions), destruction of property, drinking on public property, littering, lighting the area with vehicle lights past the posted hours and failing to remain off of closed ice surfaces and surfaces that were under maintenance.

The Township has 12 outdoor rinks that are largely maintained by groups of dedicated volunteers. The Township does not employ dedicated staff to monitor, maintain and operate these outdoor rinks. The Township simply does not have the resources required to post staff at each of the locations daily to ensure that the current stay-at-home regulations are being abided by. Other municipalities in Simcoe County that are continuing with their outdoor rinks, do have full time staff that have been redeployed from their indoor rinks to their outdoor rinks. Most of these municipalities only have 1 to 2 community outdoor rinks in operation.

Taking all of this into consideration, the Township's Emergency Control Group made the difficult decision to close the outdoor rinks throughout the duration of the Provincial stay-at-home order.

You are strongly encouraged to stay-at-home with the exception of essential trips. However, if you are looking to get some fresh air, Springwater is blessed with many natural outdoor recreational opportunities for exercise, including cross-country skiing, snowshoeing and walking and hiking trails.

Now Hiring

The Township of Springwater is currently recruiting a:

General Manager, Infrastructure & Operational Services

Competition Number: 2021-01

Closes: Friday, January 29, 2021

Get a job description and details online at www.springwater.ca/careers

Bid Opportunity

The Township is currently accepting bids for:

Part A - Hwy 93 IPS Traffic Signals and Part B - Yonge Street PXO Traffic Signals (2020-45-PW)

Closes: February 18, 2021

For details and to register for upcoming opportunities, please visit:

springwater.bidsandtenders.ca

Winter Maintenance Reminders

Everyone needs to do their part to aid in the Township's snow removal process so that roads and sidewalks can be cleared safely and efficiently.

Winter Parking

Parking is NOT permitted on roads from November 1 to March 31 between the hours of 2 a.m. and 7 a.m. This includes roads in unassumed subdivisions, such as Elmvale Meadows, Stonemanor Woods and Cameron Estates.

Clear the Way

Remove items such as bins, basketball nets and planters from the end of your driveway and do not place steel stakes at the edge of the road to ensure the way is clear for snowplow operators.

Blowing Snow

Don't move or blow snow onto or across the road or into ditches.

