

Council Communicator

Township of Selwyn
Summer 2015

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Cultivating partnerships and promoting collaboration!

The past year was a true testament of council's and residents' support of municipal committees and boards. Following the election, most committees and boards had new members join demonstrating interest from the community to share their ideas and influence the delivery of municipal services.

The Township of Selwyn **Recreational Trails Advisory Committee** is dedicated to assisting in developing a safe and publicly accessible integrated trails system. The goal is to connect local and regional trails, support local walking and cycling, and contribute to healthy lifestyles. Connect with the Recreational Trails Advisory Committee at:
f "Selwyn Trails" @SelwynTrails.

The Township of Selwyn **Economic Development and Business Committee** is an advisory committee appointed by Council to support business growth and retention. The Committee plans to work with businesses and other stakeholders to enhance economic development opportunities in the Township.

The formation of the **Parks and Recreation Committee** will help guide the implementation of the Township's 2012 Recreation Services Plan. Those who wish to apply for this new Com-



Council members at the Ennismore Community Centre. (L-R) Councillors Anita Locke and Donna Ballantyne, Deputy Mayor Sherry Senis, Mayor Mary Smith, and Councillor Gerry Herron.

mittee will be invited to do so later this summer or fall. Please watch the website for more information.

The **Library Board** works closely with staff to provide library services, manage budgets, and develop strategic goals. There are three libraries in our

Township supported by 167 volunteers!

Accessibility Advisory Committee provides information and recommendations to Township and County Councils regarding accessibility issues. The Committee strives to reduce barriers

for persons with disabilities.

Advisory and consultative is the role of the **Heritage Committee**. The Committee advises and assists Council in matters relating to heritage conservation districts, individual structures of historical and/or architectural significance, and the conservation of archaeological resources and cultural landscape features. The Committee also encourages and promotes heritage conservation and assist property owners in undertaking appropriate conservation/preservation and maintenance practices.

The **Smith-Ennismore Police Services Board** advises the O.P.P. on policing services within the Municipality. The Board generally makes recommendations on objectives and priorities for police services and works with the O.P.P. and the community policing volunteers in responding to the safety and security of the community.

Our committees and boards would not be the same without the dedication, strengths, and talents of the many members, to whom we are very grateful. These committees and boards contribute to our Township making it a vibrant, healthy, and thriving place to live and work.

Fire Fighters Equipped with New Breathing Apparatus – SCBAs



Volunteer fire fighter trying on the new SCBA during training.

Our volunteer fire fighters help others on a daily basis by responding to medical calls, car accidents and of course fires. They risk their personal safety to help others so it's critical that they have the training and the appropriate protective equipment. The Township invested over \$328,000 to purchase all new Self Contained Breathing Apparatus ~ SCBA's ~ for our volunteers. The SCBA is considered the most vital piece of safety equipment used by a fire fighter allowing a fire fighter to be protected from smoke and toxic



SCBA on display at the Bridgenorth Fire Hall.

fumes when fighting a fire. There are 95 dedicated volunteer fire fighters that protect our Township and the Township is committed to supporting their training and equipment needs.



Deputy Mayor Sherry Senis and Smith Councillor Gerry Herron attending the SCBA training at the Fire Hall in Bridgenorth.

2016 Township Festivals



PolarFest

February 5, 6, & 7, 2016
www.polarfest.ca

PolarFest is our annual winter festival. It is a family fun weekend made up of horse drawn sleigh rides, paint can curling, professional ice carvings, Polar Paddle Canoe Race, night-time guided hike with campfire, chainsaw ice carvings, B.E.L. Rotary Polar Plunge and so much more. There is something for everyone.



The Lakefield Jazz, Art & Craft Festival

July 4, 2015
www.lakefieldjazzfest.ca
 2016 Date to be announced

The Lakefield Jazz, Art & Craft Festival is an annual event held in July. Enjoy a breezy day of outdoor summer entertainment beside Lakefield's scenic Otonabee River to enjoy a wide variety of live music, colourful works for sale by artisans and crafters, plus delicious catered food and ice cold beverages.



Ennismore Shamrock Truck & Tractor Pull

2015: July 17, 18 & 19

2016: July 15, 16 & 17

www.ennismoreshamrockfestival.ca

The Shamrock Festival Truck & Tractor Pull is an annual July festival in Ennismore. It is a 3-day celebration featuring events for all age groups. Friday: Family Tyes performance, an open mic for local talent, and fireworks! Saturday: family fun day; Sunday: annual Truck and Tractor Pulls.



The Lakefield Trail

The Lakefield Trail has various events throughout the year such as night hikes, nature walks, and work days. Please visit www.lakefieldtrail.ca to see a list of events.



We Have a New Look!

The Library is thrilled to announce that our new website is now available. With full accessibility and easy one click access to our catalogue, library events calendar, programs, eBook and online resources, the new website makes it convenient to discover what is happening at your Library.

For added convenience, sign up for our bi-monthly eNewsletter and receive the latest information delivered to your inbox, become our Friend on Facebook, or follow us on Twitter and view our regular updates and postings.

Looking for something fun for your children or grandchildren to do this summer? The Library has a busy schedule of programs for children of all ages throughout July and August including both our TD Summer Reading Program with weekly programs at each of our locations plus several special onetime events.

With support from the Ontario Trillium Foundation, the Library has been able to greatly improve our capacity to meet accessibility needs. With magnifiers, large screen monitors, high visibility keyboards, a video magnifier and text-to-speech reader with up to 50x magnification plus a portable loop hearing assist device, we have removed barriers to make our resources more accessible.

The Selwyn Public Library believes in connecting with our community and providing access to books, technology, information and programming. Look for us this summer at the Lakefield Farmers Market, Shamrock Festival, and the Lakefield Literary Festival. Drop by and visit with our staff and Board members and discover what our library can offer you. You may be surprised to find out the new services and opportunities that exist at your Township Libraries.



www.MyPublicLibrary.ca



www.facebook.com/SelwynPublicLibrary



@SelwynLibrary

Volunteer Opportunities with the Township of Selwyn

- Lakefield Jazz, Art & Craft Festival
- Ennismore Shamrock Truck & Tractor Pull
- The Lakefield Trail
- PolarFest
- Volunteer Fire Fighters
- Library Volunteers
- Community Policing Volunteers

Anyone interested in volunteering please contact the Township of Selwyn at 705-292-9507



Selwyn Recognition Awards Recipients

Each year the County of Peterborough honours individuals and businesses from the eight County Townships at a Recognition Awards Ceremony.

The Township of Selwyn would like to express its congratulations and appreciation to all the Township recipients!

- Youth: **Jamison Spence**
- Agricultural Leadership: **Allan, Linda, and Kevin Kidd (Allin Farms)**
- Business Leadership/Entrepreneurial Innovation: **(Blossom Hill Nursery) Joe, Hazel, and Amy Cook**
- Heritage Preservation: **Sheryl Smith**
- Leadership in Arts and Culture: **Sally Yardley**
- Community Volunteer of the Year: **Ennismore Community Centre Renovation and Fundraising Committee.**



Congratulations!

Council members with the Cavanagh family, winners of the 2014 OFA Farm Family of the Year award.

LED Street Lights will reduce cost and greenhouse emissions

The installation of new LED streetlights is continuing and we expect to have all 544 cobra head fixtures replaced before the end of the summer.

This major energy conservation project will result in our street lights consuming approximately 62% less electricity. Consuming less electricity will result in less greenhouse gas emissions saving 22 metric tonnes of CO2 from being emitted annually.

Combined energy and maintenance cost savings are expected to amount to approximately \$49,000 in the first year. The capital cost is fully recovered in just over 5 years.

The Township also managed to secure Save-on-Energy rebates for this project amounting to approximately \$70,000.

New Solar Installations

The Township secured contracts to install three new solar installations on Township buildings. We are early in the process but hope to be in a position to complete the installations before the end of the year. Our largest project is to be installed on the roof of the Ennismore Arena. As part of this project, we will be installing a new standing seam metal roof over the ice surface prior to the installation of solar panels. Construction

of the new public works garage has now wrapped up and that roof is scheduled for an installation shortly. The final project will be on the roof of the Lakefield Public Works garage. These three new projects along with our three existing microFIT projects will contribute to a growing supply of renewable energy in the region and will also generate some positive financial returns for the Township.

“Activate Peterborough County & City” Project

The “Activate Peterborough County and City” project is a collaborative project between the nine municipalities that make up the County and City of Peterborough.

fundamental movement skills. By doing this, we hope to strengthen sport and recreation programming in our community and thereby increase participation and overall access to recreation.

This project seeks to address the struggles that the recreation sector is currently experiencing in rural areas. Declining enrolment and lack of volunteers is hampering recreation. We want to increase the number of trained and qualified sport and recreation leaders, as well as increase their skill and knowledge with respect to physical literacy and

Some upcoming training will include Fundamental Movement Skills training, HIGH-Five® training, NCCP Coaching, volunteer development, and Canadian Tire Jumpstart.

For more information or to see if your recreation group can benefit from this project please contact commdev@nexi-com.net

Meet your Councillors: Mayor Mary Smith



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Council and the public have placed a renewed emphasis on

understanding the local economy and developing new ways to support the retention, expansion and attraction of business. As a member of the Economic Development and Business Committee, I am impressed with the interest and enthusiasm volunteer members bring to the process. Staff at the Township of Selwyn continue to work hard to support the building and planning development needs of applicants. Our Community Improvement Plan (CIP) is an example of Selwyn Township taking the initiative to assist businesses to improve their façade, landscaping and signage. Your feedback about this program has been very positive. With the help of our partners Peterborough Economic Development and Kawartha Tourism, local initiatives continue. The recent development of cycling tourism routes in the County and throughout Selwyn is a great example.

An organizational review of the Township staffing structure will take place over the coming months to continue the process of finding further cost efficiencies. Our greatest asset is the knowledge and experience of our staff who provide excellent customer service.

I am pleased to serve as a member of County Council and enjoy contributing my leadership and knowledge. There I serve on the Warden’s Advisory Committee and the Joint Services Steering Committee (responsible for Social Housing, Social Services, Childcare, Economic Development, Paramedic Services and Provincial Offences). As well, I am a member of the Peterborough County-City Health Board. I continue to be a municipal representative on the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation Board of Directors.

In February our Council attended a

joint meeting with Curve Lake First Nation and Trent Lakes Township Councils at Curve Lake. This was an invaluable opportunity to meet and share updates on the many initiatives our local governments are undertaking and we look forward to future meetings.

In June I participated in the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Conference in Edmonton where national issues such as affordable housing, climate change and transportation needs were discussed.

I look forward to meeting you at the many summer festivals in our township, at one of our beaches or on our beautiful recreational trails.

@MayorMarySmith.

Mary Smith- Mayor of Township of Selwyn

Mayor Mary Smith



“Youth Can Do”



3D image of the skateboard park concept

In 2014, eleven boys aged 11-16 years old from the Township worked together to design a skateboard park while also developing their leadership skills. The boys worked in conjunction with the Canadian Ramp Company and designed the park to benefit multiple users. The park is proposed to be located in Isabel

Morris Park in Lakefield. The design can be used in other Township parks in the future as well.

The Township is exploring potential funding opportunities including grants, in-kind donors, and community fund-raising. This project is a great opportunity for youth to get involved in their community!



Shimano Cycling Project

Peterborough & the Kawarthas Tourism and Shimano Canada have partnered to create a new cycle tourism product. The multi-phase project will focus on a series of varied length cycling routes joining the County of Peterborough and the City of Peterborough through a regional cycling signage program and digital route mapping.

The two routes located within Selwyn will encourage visitation to businesses throughout the Township. Each signed route is comprised of a long and short loop ranging from 45 to 100 kms, starting and ending in the City of Peterborough at Millennium Park overlooking Little Lake.

A successful year for household hazardous waste depot

Household Hazardous Waste Depot
Smith Landfill: 1480 8th Line, Smith Ward

This is the second successful season for the Household Hazardous Waste Depot located at the Smith Landfill. Please remember to use this free facility to drop off hazardous waste such as paint, aerosols, fluorescent

lights, motor oil and other chemicals. Visit www.county.peterborough.on.ca to look for more information and items that can be disposed of without harming your environment.

Hours of Operation:

June - Labour Day 2015

Tuesdays - 9:00AM - 5:00PM

Saturdays - 9:00 AM - 3:00PM

Labour Day to Thanksgiving 2015

Saturdays - 9:00AM - 3:00PM

2015 Construction season has begun!

Edenderry Line from Tara Road to Robinson Road as well as the 7th Line from Holden Road to Brumwell Street will be reshaped with new surface treatment.

The 14th Line from Northey's Road to Jopling Road will be reshaped with some intersection improvements. East Communication Road has received the final lift of asphalt.

Holden Road and the 15th Line will undergo some culvert replacements, ditching and reshaping in preparation for 2016 resurfacing.

As always we appreciate your patience during construction season when experiencing any delays in your area.

Meet your Councillors: Deputy Mayor Sherry Senis



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I believe Selwyn is the best place to live, work, invest and play and I am

humbled by the faith and support the residents of Selwyn have given me by acclaiming me as your Deputy Mayor.

As per our policy, we are embarking on an organizational review which occurs each term of council, to determine that our structure is set up in the best, most efficient way possible to deliver top notch services.

At the County level, I am a member of the land division committee and the waste management committee. I am also a member of the Trent Severn Waterway working group committee. The TSW plays an integral role in the excellent quality of life we enjoy, given we are surrounded by lakes on three sides of our boundaries. We will be constantly lobbying the upper levels of government on just how important the Trent Severn Waterway is to our community.

The Smith-Ennismore Police Services Board, where I sit as Chair, reminds residents to use ROADWATCH to report dangerous, aggressive drivers to the OPP.

As Vice Chair of the Otonabee Region Conservation Authority Board, I encourage residents to visit our hidden gem, the Selwyn Conservation area. It boasts a wonderful beach, hiking trails, a boat launch and a camping/picnic area. It is a great venue for family reunions.

Council wants to create a healthier business climate which will foster job creation. To that end, an Economic Development and Business Committee has been formed. Both the Mayor and I are members of this committee.

We are in the various stages of approval for additional development

in the Township. In Woodland Acres, a mix of 72 detached homes and townhomes, in Lakefield a public meeting was recently held for approx. 91 detached condos and 60 apartment units, and in Buckhorn, 9 condo units are being peer reviewed.

We are so very fortunate to have many residents who volunteer on various committees, clubs, boards, societies and at Township facilities such as our libraries, firehalls, community policing and at our various events. Thank You for all you do to make Selwyn naturally great.

Don't hesitate to contact me with any questions, suggestions, comments or concerns.

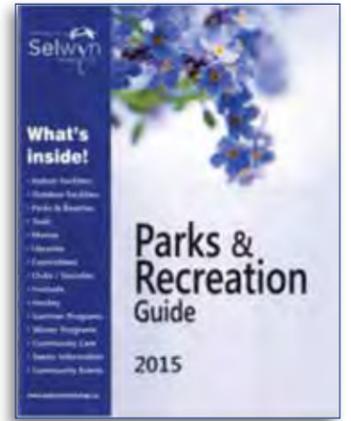
Deputy Mayor Sherry Senis



View Your Parks & Recreation Guide Online

The new Parks and Recreation Guide can be viewed online at www.selwyntownship.ca

The guide provides a list of events, festivals, committees, clubs, activities and more! The guide can also be found at various locations throughout the Township.



Please call the office for more information: 705-292-9507

Welcome Mike Richardson!

Mike Richardson was hired as the Township of Selwyn's new Recreation Manager in May. Mr. Richardson has extensive recreation experience in the municipal sector related to planning, administration, facility management, programming, and financial monitoring. Please help us welcome Mike and his family as they make Selwyn their new home.

Happy Retirement Pat Westwood!

Pat Westwood will be retiring from the Township of Selwyn in October after nine years as the Ennismore Librarian. She looks forward to spending more time with family and friends, expanding her love of art and photography, and finding some fun ways to enjoy fitness activities! Be sure to wish Pat a nice relaxing retirement the next time you see her.

Share the road



Please be cautious of cyclists, motorcyclists and pedestrians this season and remember to Share the Road. Always be on the lookout for and yield to the vulnerable road users and construction.

Do you like paying interest?

Have you ever forgotten a tax due date? No one likes to pay penalty or interest, so why not make sure you never pay extra again?

Setting up online payments is fast and easy. You can post-date your payments as soon as you receive your bill and never worry about missing a due date. Simply add us as a payee and enter your roll number as your account number. It's that easy!

Want to do even less? Sign up for pre-authorized payments and we'll do all the work. There are no administration fees or charges - simply choose

your plan: instalment or monthly.

If you like the regular instalment due dates, enroll in our instalment pre-authorized payment plan and the instalment amounts will be automatically withdrawn on the due dates.

Our monthly pre-authorized payment plan allows you to spread your property tax payments out over 11 months instead of the 4 regular due dates. You can start at any time of the year, as long as your account is up to date.

Questions? Contact our office or visit our website for more information.

Property tax arrears management plan

Are you behind on your property taxes? Let us help you work out a payment program with our arrears management pre-authorized payment plan. Contact our office today and reduce some of the stress in your life.

Meet your Councillors: Donna Ballantyne, Ennismore Ward



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It was a pleasure meeting so many Ennismore Ward residents, at your

homes, during the 2014 election campaign. I thank you for your vote of confidence in my ability to represent you for another four years!

The new Council has a good working relationship and holds the needs of our community in high regard. We are committed to maintaining our high service levels while keeping tax increases as low as possible.

Staff and Council are conducting an Organizational Review which is already in progress. The main purpose of this exercise is to ensure that we are using staff and resources in an effective, efficient manner.

At the beginning of each new term, Council members are assigned to various Boards and Committees. I continue to be the Council representative on the Library Board. I also sit on the Trail Committee. This term we have started to work co-operatively with the Lakefield Trail

members. They have a long history of trail creation, maintenance and fundraising. They are hosting a Gala in November to celebrate trails in our Township. The profits for this event will be shared for trail work in the whole Township. Watch for the advertisements!

I hope to be a representative on the Recreation Committee that will be initiated in the fall of 2015. The focus for this committee will be to begin the implementation of the recommendations in the Recreation Services Plan.

The Ennismore Horticultural Society is very active and plan to make more enhancements to our community this year. If you are able to support these efforts I know it would be greatly appreciated! Thanks to all the other dedicated volunteers at our libraries, thrift shops, Community Care, Fire Fighters, sport and recreational

organizations and the various festivals held throughout the year. We certainly have an active, thriving community and it's the residents that make it so great!!!! Congratulations to you!

Hats off to, "The Robert Young Construction juveniles" on their 22nd All Ont. championship win and to Paul Young who received a special recognition award from the Township on June 30th. Paul has been really active in all aspects of baseball in Ennismore for the last 40 years! Look for his recognition plaque hanging in the Ennismore Community Centre.

Have a wonderful year and I will see you at the various events throughout each season!

As always, do not hesitate to contact me with issues or concerns.

Donna Ballantyne, Ennismore Ward



Time in My Shoes Program

Apsley Public School children participating in wheelchair basketball during the Time in My Shoes program organized by the Accessibility Advisory Committee. The day was an awareness-raising event to gain “hands-on” experience of what it might be like to live with a disability. Along with gaining valuable experience, the children also learned about empathy and inclusion.

Woodland Acres Green Space

As many Woodland Acres residents will be aware, the Township of Selwyn owns land in the subdivision for the purposes of park development. The Township would like to move forward and develop a “Parks Plan” for this area.

The Township of Selwyn hired Basterfield & Associates to prepare

design/construction plans, detailed concept drawings and artist renderings to depict public green space infrastructure in the Woodland Acres subdivision, to be ‘project ready’ at the time of available funding. The final design plans and concept drawings will be available online for viewing.

Fraud, Scams & Seniors

Fraud is the number one crime against older Canadians as they are home during the day.

All fraud and scams should be reported, even if you are embarrassed or feel the amount of money is too small to worry about. While you might not be able to get your money back, you can

help stop the con artist from scamming other people. Report all fraud and scams to your local police, or call Phone-Busters at 1-888-495-8501.

Online Scams:

• There are many online scams: some appear to be asking for your help; some say there is a problem with

your bank account or tax return.

• Scam e-mails often have spelling and other mistakes, but can also be made to look like they are coming from a person or organization you know.

• If you are not sure about an e-mail, call the company to check, and do not respond to the e-mail.

Fast Facts

- The Finance Department issued 9,538 property tax bills in January 2015
- The Building and Planning Department issued 428 permits in 2014
- The Fire Department responded to 205 calls for service in the 1st quarter of 2015
- The Libraries issued 247 new patron cards in the 1st quarter of 2015
- Since joining Twitter on September 30, 2013 the Township has sent 1,152 tweets and has 657 followers as of May 25, 2015.
- In 2014, 61.42% of property taxes were paid electronically
- Total taxable property assessment increased by 3.76% from 2014 to 2015 compared to 3.57% from 2013 to 2014
- MPAC is responsible for assessing and classifying more than five million properties in Ontario - more than any other assessment jurisdiction in North America.
- If a structure has been removed from your property, you must file an application for reduction of property taxes before February 28th of the following year.
- If you have added value to your property by improving or erecting a new structure, it could take up to 3 years to receive your supplementary assessment notice from MPAC. Once the Township receives the supplementary assessment value, you will be billed for supplementary taxes for the current year and up to 2 years prior.
- Digging? Call Ontario One before you dig 1-800-400-2255 (24/7 and it's free)
- Special Events such as a birthday milestone or a 25th or later wedding anniversary can be recognized with a certificate of accomplishment signed by the Mayor.

Meet your Councillors: Anita Locke, Lakefield Ward



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It is with great pleasure that we offer you this latest edition of the Council Communicator. Within its pages you will read of the many great things that we've accomplished as a council and staff this past year.

My heartfelt gratitude to all those who voted for me in the 2014 election. I will continue to work hard for you in this coming term of office.

I continue to sit as council's representative on the Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) – a joint committee of the County of Peterborough and the Township of Selwyn. The AAC provides input on, and raises awareness of, accessibility issues. We recently hosted another successful “Time in the My Shoes” event at Apsley Public School. The children and staff learned about the various disabilities and participated

in a variety of activities including wheelchair basketball, wheelchair obstacle course, a presentation by representatives from the CNIB, and a nurse who spoke about disabilities.

I also continue to sit as council's representative on the Municipal Heritage Committee. Welcome to our new members who were appointed earlier this year (Steven Gavard, Joe Latour, Grant Murphy and Brian Fawcett) and our returning member and Chair of the committee – Sheryl Smith; thank you for your willingness to be part of the committee as we continue to work to preserve our past for the benefit of current and future generations.

With the de-amalgamation of the former Peterborough-Lakefield Community Police Service as of December 31, 2014 (the village

of Lakefield is now policed under contract with the newly formed Peterborough Police Service), I act as council's advisor to the new Police Services Board (PSB). I attend monthly meetings of the PSB and am available to provide input as needed.

Congratulations to all of our residents and businesses who received awards at the annual Peterborough County Recognition Awards ceremony in May. We appreciate your contributions to our township.

Enjoy everything that our area has to offer this summer; it's a beautiful region that we live in and offers plenty of activities and events that are sure to satisfy. Have fun and stay safe!

Anita Locke, Lakefield Ward



Township staff packaging 123 personal care kits

Meet Your Needs Week 2014

The 2nd Annual Township of Selwyn MYNW took place from November 17th to the 21st,

2014. This initiative provides residents in need with access to hygiene products. Awareness

of the different services available within the County of Peterborough is also provided. Hygiene products were donated by Kawartha Food Share, members of the Fairview United Church and Township staff.



Meeting & Reception Facilities

Our Facilities are Licenced, Air-conditioned, & Accessible



- Marshland Centre, Lakefield: 75 Guests
- Lakefield-Smith Community Centre Niels Pind Room: 120 Guests
- Ennismore Community Centre Auditorium: 200 Guests
- Bridgenorth Hall: 125 Guests

To book your event please call the Township Office at 705-292-9507 ext 243

www.selwyntownship.ca

In Case of Emergency

If you were seriously injured, what if there was a way you could help emergency personnel contact your family? The majority of people now carry a cell phone, but would someone who picked it up be able to determine who your emergency contact was?

The ICE concept is simple - save your emergency contact person's name with the letters ICE preceding it. For more than one contact,

add a number. For example: ICE-1 John Doe, ICE-2 Jane Doe.

If emergency services personnel are able to use your phone, they will search ICE in your contacts and know who to call.

Talk to your friends and family; together we can help to ensure that our emergency services personnel can quickly get in touch with your emergency contact.



72 Hour Kits

If a disaster occurs in our community, you should be prepared to take care of yourself and your family for a minimum of 72 hours. For information on how to build a 72 hour kit please visit our website

When you plan for your family, we can plan for the community.

Buckhorn Community Improvement Plan

The Township of Selwyn and the Municipality of Trent Lakes are partnering to complete a CIP for the Hamlet of Buckhorn. The CIP will assist residents, business owners, and investors to plan for the revitalization, redevelopment and stabilization of their neighbourhoods.

Joint workshops and meetings will be held throughout early summer and fall to gather views of the residents and the business community in

the Buckhorn area. Please watch our website and local newspapers for information related to the upcoming workshop and meetings for the CIP.

Selwyn presently has a CIP in place for Lakefield, Bridgenorth, Ennismore and Young's Point.

We have experienced tremendous success with that plan, and we are very excited to be moving forward with a CIP for the Buckhorn area!

The Preston Pit had another 1500 trees planted throughout this summer to continue with our tree planting initiative.

Meet your Councillors: Gerry Herron, Smith Ward



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First, I would like to thank those who voted for me in the past election.

I promised that I would work hard for you, and it is my hope that you feel I have. As for those who did not support me, I am hoping that through a track record of doing what is right for you, the customer, I will earn your confidence and trust going forward. This has been a terrific first few months, with a very steep learning curve. There is a lot of legislation and regulations to navigate through. With the training I have received, I am making some headway, and I am confident in the future success of Smith Ward.

I am on our Trails committee and we are working hard to promote and grow our trail network and maintain that quality of life that we all enjoy in Selwyn. With more people taking 'Staycations', this is one more attraction for people to enjoy, and keep the money within our township.

We are currently working on some trail connections, such as Eastwood to Andrew, as well as working on a GPS map and wayfinding signs for the Ennismore waterfront trail. A park for Woodland Acres is on the horizon as well as discussions regarding an Ultimate Frisbee field in Bridgenorth.

We are currently undergoing an organizational review, and it is my hope that we can improve our service levels, and enhance the customer experience. This is a great opportunity to increase our efficiency and make dealing with us easier. Customer service is, and will be a priority for me, as my term continues.

On the council side, it has been a busy first few months. Training sessions, meetings and public appearances aside, the part that keeps me busiest is talking to you, our customers. I

wouldn't trade that experience for anything. Helping our customers solve their issues, or helping them navigate through some of the red tape has been a pleasure. The majority of the people are happy in Selwyn. They enjoy a great quality of life, with good value for their taxes. Issues do arise however, and I am always here to help.

Going forward, I am looking forward to working with you and fighting for what is right for you. A common sense approach, with fiscal responsibility is not too much for you to ask of me. Again, I believe that is what I have brought to the table, and I am humbled by this entire experience, and I look forward to serving you for the next three and half years.

Gerry Herron, Smith Ward

Contact Information

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Landfill Site Summer Hours: April 1 - October 31 Tuesday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Wednesday 9:00 AM - 7:00 PM Thursday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Friday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Winter Hours: November 1 - March 31 Tuesday to Saturday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM	(705) 652-7719
Lakefield Smith Community Centre	(705) 652-7151
Ennismore Community Centre	(705) 292-8774
Bridgenorth Library	(705) 292-5065
Ennismore Library	(705) 292-8022
Lakefield Library	(705) 652-8623
Fire Department Administration	(705) 292-7282
Recycling - Peterborough County	(705) 775-2737 ext. 302
Garbage - M & M Disposal	(705) 652-3505
OPP Police Administration	(705) 742-0401
Peterborough Police Administration (Lakefield)	(705) 876-1122
Peterborough Humane Society (Animal Control)	(705) 745-7676
Otonabee Region Conservation Authority	(705) 745-5791
Trent Severn Waterway	(705) 750-4900
Municipal Property Assessment Corporation	1-866-296-6722
Ministry of Natural Resources	1-800-667-1940
Emergency	911

O.P.P. Citizen Self Reporting (Smith & Ennismore)

Residents in these wards now have the means to self-report minor incidents and crimes at www.opp.ca/reporting

The OPP's Citizen Self Reporting is an easy to use internet reporting tool that will allow the public to report specific

crimes such as lost property, stolen license plates, theft from vehicles, and property damage without an officer having to be dispatched to the scene, provided there are no suspects, injuries or the incident is not an emergency.

Everyone can report a driving complaint to Road Watch at www.roadwatch.ca



Contact ROAD WATCH to report:

- Speeding
- Careless Driving
- Disobeying Stop Signs & Red Lights
- Distracted Driving
- Unsafe Lane Change
- Tailgating
- Road Rage
- Failing to Stop for a School Bus
- Following Too Close



Digital Communication in Selwyn Township

Selwyn Township continues to offer a multitude of communication options to enable us to quickly and easily share information with all of our residents!

Along with traditional paper based communications, our website and social media pages provide a paperless, digital means to reach out and engage with the citizens of Selwyn Township.

In this way, we ensure that our message not only gets out to property owners who live locally, but to those who might be living elsewhere. Snowbirds, seasonal cottage owners and other travelers are able to receive current and timely updates from anywhere in the world!

Please check out the list below to decide which of our digital communication tools is most suited to your preference and lifestyle.



<http://www.selwyntownship.ca>



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



<https://twitter.com/selwyntownship>



<https://www.youtube.com/user/SelwynTownship>



<http://www.selwyntownship.ca/en/townshiphall/eNewsletter.asp>

Are you a Business Owner? Make sure your business is in the new Directory!

It's easy to use! Simply go to www.ylm.ca/selwyn and follow the quick steps to sign up. Once you have signed up, you have the opportunity to design your listing any way you want. It can be upgraded or changed at any time. Need Help? Email commdev@nexicom.net.



Ontario's new CO alarm Law

Ontario is taking another step to keep everyone in Ontario safe by making carbon monoxide alarms mandatory in all residential homes. No matter the age of your home, if you have any oil, propane or gas-burning appliances, furnace or water heater, a wood or gas fireplace, or an attached garage or carport, you must have working carbon monoxide alarms installed near sleeping areas.



CO alarms need to be replaced every 7-10 years. If your alarm goes off get everyone out of the house, stay out, and call 911. Exposure to CO reduces your ability to think clearly, so never delay if your alarm goes off. Combination Smoke/CO alarms are great

investments if it is time to update your older smoke alarm.

Failure to install and maintain working Smoke/CO alarms in your home is an offence that carries a fine of \$360 for each alarm missing or not working.

Lakefield Policing

As of January 1, 2015, the Lakefield Ward is now policed by the Peterborough Police Service through a contract arrangement. The shift from the previously amalgamated Peterborough-Lakefield Police Service to the new contracted service has been seamless for residents and businesses. The Lakefield Detach-

ment office at 12 Queen Street is open Monday to Friday to obtain a police check or to obtain policing information. Quarterly reports are provided to Council related specifically to the Lakefield Ward – check the Township's website for more information. Lakefield residents can contact 705-876-1122 for non-emergency service.