April 2025

eNewsletter - news & updates



We're Hiring!



The Selwyn Public Library is seeking an **Assistant Librarian for an 18-month contract**, who will assist with the day-to-day operation of the municipal library service.

Deadline to apply:

12 Noon, Monday, April 14th, 2025

Detailed Job Description

Upcoming Events

See what's happening this month.

Smith Landfill Winter Hours

The Smith Landfill (1480 County Road 18) is now operating on Winter Hours.

Sunday: ClosedMonday: Closed

Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Thursday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Friday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

• Saturday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM.



Watch Live Council Meetings

April Council Meetings

- April 8th, 2025 1:00 PM
- April 22nd, 2025 1:00 PM

Watch Council business from the comfort of your home by visiting the Selwyn Township YouTube Channel.

Think you missed something at a past meeting? Recordings are also available!

Happening this month!

Easter Holiday Closure

The Municipal Office (1310 Centre Line) will be CLOSED Good Friday (April 18th) and Easter Monday (April 21st). Regular hours resume on Tuesday, April 22nd.

No changes to curbside garbage, recycle or compost collection on Good Friday or Easter Monday.

The Smith Landfill (1480 County Road 18) will be **CLOSED** on Good Friday and Easter Monday.





Participate in an Earth Day Clean Up!

Earth Day is fast approaching, and Selwyn Township is inviting individuals, families, and community organizations to come together to make a meaningful impact on our environment by participating in the **Earth Day Litter Clean-Up.**

Here's how you can join the effort:

- What: Earth Day Litter Clean-Up
- When: April 1st to 26th (Garbage disposal at Smith Landfill runs April 22nd 26th)
- Where: Roadsides and public spaces across Selwyn Township

How It Works:

- Register Your Group: Sign up for the Litter Clean-Up at speakup.selwyntownship.ca/earth-day-litter-clean-up.
- 2. **Get Your Supplies**: Once registered, pick up your clear bags, nitrile gloves and landfill pass from the Township Office (1310 Centre Line).
- 3. Clean Up & Dispose: Separate garbage and recyclables, then bring them to the Smith Landfill (1480 County Road 18) between April 22nd and April 26th. Disposal is free with the landfill pass provided!

Learn More & Register Here!

Lakefield Water Main Flushing

In order to sustain water quality in the

water distribution system, the Township of Selwyn once again intends to perform routine flushing of water mains throughout Lakefield.

The flushing will be conducted generally between **April 14th to May 30th, 2025** during anytime of the day or night.

If you should notice iron coloured water, please let your cold water tap closest to the source run for 20-30



minutes or until the water clears.

Learn More!

Lakefield Horticultural Society News & Events



Gardening in the Shade

The Lakefield Horticultural Society has a special presentation on April 8th at the Lakefield Baptist Church. Award winning writer and presenter, Helen Battersby, will cover garden design principles for shade garden! She will highlight shade-friendly plants and you'll learn how to create a beautiful shade garden.

Entrance is \$10 and advance tickets can be purchased by e-transfer to **Ihstreasurer22@gmail.com**. Tickets will also be available at the door.

Annual Plant Sale

When: Saturday, May 17th, 2025 from

8:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Where: Cenotaph Park, Lakefield

Featuring hundreds of perennials, locally grown, as well as shrubs & other plants at a very reasonable price! All funds raised go towards the hanging baskets and flowers that are planted throughout Lakefield!



April News & Reminders!



Property Tax Statements for Income Taxes

It's Income Tax Season! Are you looking for a property tax statement for income tax purposes? Email finance@selwyntownship.ca with your name and property address and Selwyn Township staff will email you a statement directly!



Half-Load Restrictions in Effect (March 10th to May 1st, 2025)

Seasonal load restrictions are put into place to protect our roads from damage or failure during the spring when the winter's frost is thawing and the snow melt and rain have saturated the road base material.



Property Tax Installment Due Date!

The 2025 Interim Tax Notice was mailed out to property owners late January. The next property tax installment is due on:

Monday, May 5th, 2025

Fly the Flag - All Year Long!

Every year on February 15th, Canadians

celebrate National Flag Day.

No matter our political beliefs, we can all unite in our love for Canada. Let's take pride in our country by displaying the Canadian flag—whether in a window, on a flagpole, or anywhere visible. Fly the flag, take a picture and tag us @SelwynTownship!



Summer Festivals Sponsorship Opportunities!

Become a Sponsor for the Lakefield Jazz, Art & Craft Festival & Ennismore Shamrock Festival!

The Lakefield Jazz, Art & Craft Festival and Ennismore Shamrock Festival are back this summer, and we're looking for local businesses and brands to join us as sponsors! These incredible festivals bring the community together, celebrating music, culture, and fun!

Why Sponsor?

- Showcase Your Brand: Reach a broad audience of locals and visitors.
- Engage with the Community: Support two beloved events in the heart of Selwyn Township.
- Gain Exposure: Get your brand featured across festival materials, social media, and more!

Sponsor the Lakefield Jazz Festival!

Sponsor the Ennismore Shamrock Festival!

Spring is Here!



Curbside leaf and yard waste collection begins on Mondays at 7:00 AM - but may occur any day throughout the week. Accepted items include:

- Leaves
- Branches*, hedge and tree trimmings

House and garden plants

Materials may be placed in paper bags or reusable containers for collection. Materials in plastic bags of any kind will NOT be collected.

*Branches may be bundled with string no larger than 1m by 30cm (3' by 1'). No limit on the amount being picked up and no tags required.

Arnott & Gifford Drive, Bridgenorth, Ennismore (Settlement), Emerald Isle, Terraview Heights, Woodland Acres and Youngstown:

- April 21st
- May 5th
- May 19th

Lakefield:

- April 28th
- May 12th
- May 26th

For residents outside of the collection area, leaf and yard waste can be dropped off at the Smith Landfill Site (1480 County Road 18) **free-of-charge** during the Curbside Collection time frame only.

For more information or to view detailed route maps, please visit the County of Peterborough website.

Be Flood Ready!

Overland flooding is a common and costly hazard in Canada. It occurs when water flows overland and enters buildings through windows, doors, and cracks. It typically happens when rivers or streams exceed their capacity, often due to heavy rainfall, spring thaw, or rapid snowmelt and ice jams.

Take steps to prepare yourself and prevent flooding in your home:

- Prepare for a flood by preparing a household emergency plan and 72-hour kit
- Check with your insurance provider to see if additional coverage is required on your home insurance policy to cover flood risk.
- Put weather protection sealant around basement windows and the base of ground-level doors.
- Make sure downspouts extend at least 2 m (6') from your basement wall. Water should drain away from your property and neighbouring properties.
- Install flood shields or barriers for basement windows and doors. The tops of the shields should extend above ground level.
- Purchase sandbags to prevent water from entering your home.



Selwyn residents can get free sand to fill their own sandbags from the Township Public Works Garage located at 1280 Centre Line, Selwyn. Please note, the Township of Selwyn does not provide sandbags to residents

Stay Informed:

- Otonabee Conservation Water Levels and Flooding
- Trent-Severn Waterway Water Management Updates
- Government of Canada Get Flood Ready
- Township of Selwyn Flood Information

Selwyn Public Library - News & Events



Swing into Action at our 9-hole Twilight Golf Fundraiser for Selwyn Public Library!

Putt for a purpose as we bring together golf enthusiasts, book lovers, family and friends. Proceeds of this fundraiser will support Selwyn Public Library's three library branches. By participating you will be driving positive change in our community by supporting literacy and learning initiatives for all ages.

When: Friday, July 18th, 2025 from 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM Where: The Quarry Golf Club (447 Tara Road, Ennismore)

Purchase Tickets

Sponsorship Packages

Learn more about the Selwyn Public Library's Programs!









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