



2024 SPRING NEWSLETTER



TOWNSHIP OF SABLES-SPANISH RIVERS

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COUNCIL

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Councillor	Merri-Ann Hobbs	705-923-4045
Councillor	Cheryl Phillips	705-844-2364

Regular Council Meetings are on the **second** and **fourth** Wednesday of each month. Meetings commence at 6:30 p.m. Special meetings are called as needed and notice will be posted.

Our Procedural By-law requires that anyone wishing to be a delegation at a meeting must advise the Clerk not later than **12:00 p.m. on the Friday prior to the meeting**. Delegations must submit their request in writing and provide the Clerk with any background information that may be beneficial during the delegates' presentation. Requests can be faxed to 705-865-2736 or emailed to the Clerk-Administrator @ inquiries@sables-spanish.ca

Your elected officials are always willing to listen to you...talk to them!

BILLING INFORMATION

TAX BILLINGS - Payment of the 2024 Interim Property Tax Bill is due by February 29th, 2024. Late payment charges of 1.25% will be added to the balance still outstanding on March 1st, 2024.

WATER BILLINGS - The 1st quarter Water billing is due by March 31st, 2024.

PAYMENT OPTIONS - You can pay your bill using online banking, sign up for pre-authorized payments or use the e-pay service through our website. The tax department has introduced a new pre-authorized payment option for your convenience. If you would like more information, please contact the office at 705-865-2646, email inquiries@sables-spanish.ca or visit the Township website at www.sables-spanish.ca.

MAILING ADDRESS CHANGES - Have you recently moved or changed your mailing address?? Don't forget to contact the office as soon as possible to ensure we have your correct mailing address!

MASSEY MEDICAL CLINIC

260 Cameron Street | 705-865-2300

Dr. Rachael Cherian | Dr. Allan Garland

Melanie Veilleux, RPN | Marla Toulouse, Clinic Manager

Clinic Hours: Monday- Friday 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Lab Hours: Tuesday & Thursday 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Same day appointments may be available; please call ahead for availabilities.

New patients from the Sables-Spanish Rivers Township are welcome; please contact us for further information.

ANIMAL CONTROL AND BYLAW ENFORCEMENT

Please contact WENRICK KENNELS / RAINBOW DISTRICT ANIMAL SERVICES BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT for animal control services.

They can be reached @ 705-673-3647 & toll free @ 1-800-836-6661 or rdshelter@gmail.com with any questions or concerns.



2024 Dog & Cat Licenses are available from the above, or from the Township office. (Payment options include cash, cheque, or credit- **no interac accepted**)

2024 ONTARIO ICE FISHING CHALLENGE

\$20 ENTRY FEE

First Place Brook Trout	\$1,000
First Place Lake Trout	\$1,000
First Place Northern Pike	\$1,000
First Place Walleye	\$1,000
First Place Yellow Perch	\$1,000
First Place Greatest Diversity	\$1,000

The Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers is a community sponsor for the **2024 Ontario Ice Fishing Challenge happening FEB 1ST- 29TH!**

Help TSSR be crowned the Ice Fishing Capital of Ontario!

SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER OR VISIT

www.anglersatlas.com/event/756/

Extra \$500 in prizes available for TSSR residents!



GARBAGE & RECYCLING

TENNYSON LANDFILL: 8 miles north of Massey on the Tote Road (HWY 553) ****Open every Saturday from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.****

PICKUP FROM RESIDENCES AND BUSINESSES IS EVERY THURSDAY; PLEASE HAVE IT AT YOUR CURB BY 7:00 A.M.

*For residences with seasonal pick-up, pick-up **begins** the 1st Thursday after May long weekend and **ends** the 1st Thursday after Thanksgiving.

GARBAGE: Current Bag Limit is 2 bags per residence and 8 bags per commercially assessed property. Each bag shall not exceed 40 lbs in weight.

RECYCLING: one week is the collection of fibers (paper & cardboard) and the next week is the collection of commingle (cans, plastic & glass).

PLACEMENT:

- Residents with roads that have a cement curb and gutter- place bins at the edge of the curb.
- Residents with a sidewalk in front- place bins on the street side of the sidewalk.
- Street with paved shoulders- place bins in the low spot of the paved shoulder near the vehicular travelled path.
- Streets with gravel shoulders- place bins within 3-5 feet of the pavement edge.
- Highway properties- place bins within 3-5 feet from where the shoulder meets the ditch.

Additional bag tags are available for \$2.00 each at the Township office and the Massey and Webbwood libraries. For more waste management information please contact GFL Environmental @ **705-869-2447 or 1-800-341-5847**

PUBLIC LIBRARIES

MASSEY

185 Grove Street

Tel 705-865-2641 | infomasseylibrary@gmail.com

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Wednesday 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Tracy VanDerGulik, CEO/Chief Librarian

WEBBWOOD

16 Main Street

Tel & Fax 705-869-4147 | webbwoodlibrary@hotmail.com

Monday & Tuesday 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Wednesday & Thursday 6 p.m.-8 p.m.

Friday 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Stacie Minten, Branch Librarian

SABLES-SPANISH RIVERS FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Department is looking for new recruits. Questions/applications can be sent by email to fire@sables-spanish.ca

Upcoming Events:

- Valentines Dance- Fireworks Fundraiser February 10th at the Webbwood Eagles from 8 p.m.- 1 a.m.
- Mother's Day Breakfast- Fire Works Fundraiser May 12th at the Walford Community Center from 9 a.m.- 12 p.m.
- Father's Day BBQ- June 16th at the Massey Fire Station from 11 a.m.-3 p.m.
- July 1st Fireworks- Massey Fair Grounds

Visit the SSRFD Facebook Page for event details, information on the municipal burn bylaw and fire safety tips!

Remember NO daytime burning between April 1 – Oct 31.

Full burn bylaw available on town website under Bylaws-> Burning (Open Air) Bylaw

THE MASSEY AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY CENTRE AND ARENA- 455 GOVERNMENT RD

MASSEY ARENA DAYTIME ACTIVITIES

Senior Skate 55+- Mon, Wed & Fri FREE	1:00-2:00 p.m.
Massey Senior Social- Tues FREE	1:00-3:00 p.m.
Parents & Tots Skate-Tues & Fri FREE	2:00-3:00 p.m.
Senior Exercise Classes- Wed FREE	1:00-2:00 p.m. (low Impact, strength, balance, and stretching) 2:00-3:00 p.m. (gentle movement)

The pickleball court is available weekday mornings, Wednesday evenings and select times on weekends!- \$4/person
Call 705-865-2519 to reserve!

Elliot Lake Vikings Junior A Hockey Schedule

January 27th @ 7 p.m. vs Blind River Beavers
January 28th @ 2p.m. vs Soo Eagles
February 2nd @ 7 p.m. vs Blind River Beavers
February 11th @ 2 p.m. vs Iroquois Falls Storm
February 16th @ 7 p.m. vs Soo Thunderbirds
February 23rd @ 7 p.m. Espanola Paper Kings
February 27th @ 7 p.m. vs Soo Eagles
Adults \$10 | Seniors 65+ \$8 | Students \$8 | Youth 6 & Under Free

For more information contact the Parks & Recreation Coordinator at recreation@sables-spanish.ca or 705-865-2519

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Building or renovating? Building permit applications are available at the Municipal Office or on our website! Any questions or concerns, give us a call. The Chief Building Official, Jeff Lapierre is in the office Monday-Friday. If you require an inspection, please call two days in advance from when the inspection is required (The 2-day notice does not include the day that the inspection was requested).

If you wish to speak to Jeff about your project, he can be reached at 705-865-2181 ext. 231 or by email at building@sables-spanish.ca

STORAGE CONTAINERS, STORAGE TRAILERS AND SEA-CANS

Storage container means a pre-fabricated metal or steel accessory building used for the transport and/or storage of goods and materials. Please refer to the regulations respecting storage containers that are found in our Zoning Bylaw Section 4.32, 4.33 and Table 4.32. A complete copy of the mentioned sections and table in the Zoning Bylaw, is available on the Township website, or by calling the municipal office and requesting a copy. If you are unsure if this is a permitted use on your property, please call the office. **Also note that where permitted, a storage container requires a Building Permit prior to being placed on the property.**

REDUCED LOAD PERIOD ON MUNICIPAL ROADS SHALL START ON THE 1ST OF MARCH AND IS IN EFFECT WHILE THE APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE IS ERECTED. Please be mindful of this when planning your building projects.

TRAILER LICENSE BYLAW 2023-14

In 2023 a new Trailer Licensing Bylaw, Bylaw 2023-14, came into effect that permits temporary habitation in Recreational Vehicles (RV) in the Rural and Resource Recreation Zones from April 1st to November 30th. The full bylaw is available on our website (www.sables-spanish.ca) or by contacting the municipal office.

Trailer License 101s:

-RVs that are placed on vacant land that is zoned Rural or Resource Recreation, require a license.

-As part of the application process, proof of certified means of disposal of grey water and sewage as well as an indication of an adequate source of water/potable water is required.

-Placement of an RV for temporary habitation on a property that already has a primary residential use for a period longer than 21 days is not permitted unless a license has been issued for such purposes.

-There is an annual fee for a trailer license- the 2024 fee is \$400.00.

-Annual licenses issued pursuant to this bylaw will be granted for a consecutive period of not more than five years and may be extended with Council approval.

For more information, please contact the municipal office at 705-865-2646 or email inquiries@sables-spanish.ca

EMERGENCY SERVICES

For all emergencies – call 9-1-1

Callers on a Four-party line dialing 911 will be routed to a Bell Operator and must identify the emergency location.

If there is a disruption in telephone services when calls cannot be completed to other exchanges:

1. Residents in 844 exchange should call 705-844-2100
2. Residents in 865 exchange should call 705-865-2073
3. Residents in 869 exchange should call 705-869-3407