

TOWNSHIP OF SABLES-SPANISH RIVERS 2025 FALL NEWSLETTER



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COUNCIL	SABLES-SPANISH RIVERS FIRE DEPARTMENT	TAX AND WATER BILLING	ANIMAL CONTROL & BYLAW ENFORCEMENT
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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 no 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!

- Mayor Kevin Burke- 705-869-8997
- Deputy Mayor Mike Mercieca- 705-862-0610
- Councillor Casimir Burns- 705-865-2377
- Councillor Harold Crabs- 705-863-9434
- Councillor Thoma Crabs- 705-862-1581
- Councillor Merri-Ann Hobbs- 705-923-4045
- Councillor Cheryl Phillips- 705-844-2364

MEETING AGENDAS & MINUTES

All meeting minutes and agendas can be viewed at www.sables-spanish.ca Agendas are posted the Friday before each meeting, minutes are posted shortly after the meeting!

The Department is looking for new recruits! If you have a passion for fire safety, teamwork, commitment and supporting your community we have the spot for you! To apply please email us at fire@sables-spanish.ca

Check out the SSRFD Facebook & Instagram pages for fire safety tips and upcoming events!

NO DAYTIME BURNING from **April 1st to October 31st**. Please check the Burning (Open Air) Bylaw **For more information you can contact the Fire Chief at fire@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

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS
Become better prepared to face a range of emergencies – anytime, anywhere!

Visit www.getprepared.ca or our website under the “Living Here” tab and scroll to the ‘Emergency Management and Planning’ page link for more information.

TAX BILLINGS -Payment of the 2025 Final Property Tax Bill is due by September 29th, 2025. Late payment charges of 1.25% will be added to the balance still outstanding on October 1st, 2025.

WATER BILLINGS - The 3rd quarter water billing is due by September 30th, 2025.

PAYMENT OPTIONS - You can pay your tax or water bill using one of the following methods:

1. **Online Banking:** Please note that payments made through online banking may take **1 to 5 business days** to be received. To avoid late fees, we recommend making your payment well before the due date.
2. **Pre-Authorized Payments:** Set it and forget it!
3. **e-Pay via our website:** Make payments directly through our secure online system.

To ensure your payment is received on time and avoid penalties, please choose the option that works best for you.
If you need more information, please contact the Township office at 705-865-2646 or email inquiries@sables-spanish.ca

MASSEY MEDICAL CLINIC

260 Cameron Street, Massey | 705-865-2300
Clinic Hours: Monday–Friday 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Lab Hours: Monday to Thursday 8:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. by scheduled appointment.

Please contact WENRICK KENNELS / RAINBOW DISTRICT ANIMAL SERVICES BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT for animal control services. They can be reached at 705-673-3647 & toll free at 1-800-836-6661 or rdshelter@gmail.com with any questions or concerns.



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

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



GARBAGE AND RECYCLING

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. Bag Tags can be purchased for \$5 at the Township office and the Massey and Webbwood libraries
RECYCLING: One week is the collection of fibers (paper & cardboard) and the next week is the collection of commingle (cans, plastic & glass).



Commercial businesses must register with the township to receive recycling pick up.

TENNYSON LANDFILL: 8 miles north of Massey on the Tote Road (HWY 553) **Open every Saturday from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.**. **Proof of residency in the Township is required e.g. ID, tax bill, hydro/water bill, etc.**

TIPPING FEES:

- \$20.00 per m3 of household garbage
- \$20.00 per m3 of construction garbage
- \$15.00 per m3 of commercial garbage (contained in permanent bins)
- \$15.00 per large item of furniture
- \$50.00 per mattress or box spring
- \$200 per boat/recreation vehicle
- FREE DISPOSAL** of the following:
 - White Goods *\$10.00 per fridge/freezer containing Freon*
 - Brush/leaves per trailer or truck load
 - Tires *ALL RIMS MUST BE REMOVED*
 - Electronics – What electronics can you recycle? Visit www.recyclemyelectronics.ca to find out.

PUBLIC WORKS

Parking Restrictions / Winter Snow Removal Operations

*No parking on any municipal road allowance between the hours of 2 a.m. and 8 a.m., or during other periods of snowplowing operations, from Nov 1st to Mar 31st, except for emergency and health care vehicles.

***Any vehicles interfering with snowplowing operations will be ticketed or towed away at the owner's expense.**



*Parking of heavy vehicles (transports) is restricted on any public streets or roads, except when engaged in loading or unloading. Heavy vehicle drivers are permitted to use the tractor for travelling to and from their homes, and to park in private driveways. Parking of the trailers is available in the Township yard, at your own risk.

*In the event of freezing rain, equipment will not be out until conditions are safe for employees and equipment, however in case of emergency all efforts will be made to assist in reaching the emergency.

*The removal of snow from private driveways onto the roadway is prohibited, pursuant to the Highway Traffic Act.

New Policies

Bylaw 2025-13 Residential Service & Restoration Policy

- Establishes responsibility for the performance of work necessary to maintain sanitary sewer & water supply lines.

Bylaw 2025-14 Waste Management Policy

- Establishes a system for the collection, removal, & disposal of garbage/recycling.

Bylaw 2025-27 Entrance and Culvert Policy

- Identifies the criteria to be considered and the approval process for all new entrances or alterations to existing entrances.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES

MASSEY

185 Grove Street
Tel 705-865-2641 | Fax 705-865-1781
masseylibrary1@gmail.com

Ruth DeClerck, Branch Librarian
Tracey VanDerGulik, CEO/Chief Librarian
infomasseylibrary@gmail.com

Hours:

- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Wednesday 11 a.m.-7 p.m.
- Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Closed for lunch daily from 1-1:30pm



WEBBWOOD

16 Main Street
Tel 705-869-4147 | Fax 705-869-1394
webbwoodlibrary@hotmail.com

Cloey Kirkham, Branch Librarian

Hours:

- Monday & Tuesday 11 a.m-4 p.m.
- Wednesday & Thursday 6 p.m.-8 p.m.
- Friday 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Follow the SSRPL Facebook page or visit ssrpl.ca for more information!

MASSEY & DISTRICT COMMUNITY CENTRE & ARENA

Follow the Township's website, Facebook and Instagram pages to stay up to date on upcoming events & programs offered at the arena, outdoor rinks, parks & community centers throughout the Township. Events are posted on the community notice boards beside Home Hardware in Massey & at Webbwood Public Library.

Check out:

- Webbwood Outdoor Rink - Corner of O'Neil & Algoma St., Webbwood
- Walford Outdoor Rink - Walford Rd, Walford

Minor Hockey Registration available through www.elliottlakeminorhockey.ca with practices & games for both house league & rep hockey held at Massey & District Arena.

Contact us at recreation@sables-spanish.ca or call the arena (705) 865-2519

See you at the rink!



NOTICE TO MASSEY WATER USERS

During extreme cold weather conditions, we recommend that you leave a cold-water tap running in a steady stream of about 6mm (1/4 inch). Note the tap does not need to be fully open to prevent your line from freezing. The water entering the water distribution system is already cold, so it takes very little exposure to colder temperatures for the water to freeze. If you are concerned about your septic system, run a hose out to the ditch or catch basin to drain the water away from your system.

Additional Suggestions:

- Wrap foam pipe insulation around pipes most susceptible to freezing (near outside walls, crawl spaces, attics)
- Do not turn your heat below 13°C (55°F) at night or when the house is vacant
- If you are planning on being away, have someone check your house regularly

