



**Office Hours**  
Mon – Thurs 8:30am – 4pm  
Friday 8:30am – 12pm

**Landfill Hours**  
Tues & Thurs 2pm – 6pm  
Sunday 10am – 4pm



### **The Municipal Office is CLOSED to the Public**

In accordance with the current provincial State of Emergency Declaration and regulations, the Municipal Office is closed to the public and most of our staff are working remotely. We will continue to provide municipal services via telephone and email; however, telephone response time may be delayed. Staff email addresses are available on our website at [www.billingstwp.ca](http://www.billingstwp.ca).

### **Upcoming Council Meetings \*VIRTUAL\***

Tuesday June 1<sup>st</sup> @ 7:30pm and Monday June 21<sup>st</sup> @ 7:30pm

**Members of the public who wish to attend a Council or Committee Meeting can email Tiana Mills at [tmills@billingstwp.ca](mailto:tmills@billingstwp.ca) by 3:00 pm on meeting day for an invitation. A computer/tablet/mobile phone and internet connection, or a telephone, are required.**

### **By-Law Reminder**

With the spring season now upon us, there may be a need to perform property clean-up and sometimes that involves burning debris that accumulated over the winter months. Please ensure that you contact the Township Office to obtain your Burn Permit as per Township By-law #2020-16. There is no fee for obtaining a Burn Permit. Burn Permits are not required for Bonfires.

Spring is also the likely time to begin construction work on your permanent/seasonal homes. If you will be using a recreation trailer/vehicle for shelter while the construction is in process, please ensure that you have a Building Permit issued by the Township and a Trailer Permit as per the Township Trailer Bylaw # 2017-44 & 2019-29. Recreational trailers/vehicles are not permitted to be used on Vacant Lots. Thank you for your cooperation!

### **Project Updates/Grant Applications**

The Township has also prepared an application for funding to stabilize the shoreline at the Kagawong low-lift station and Main St. in the vicinity of Beach St. This funding is through the Investing in Canada Infrastructure (ICIP), COVID-19 Stream, a joint federal-provincial program. Billings, like all municipalities of similar size in Ontario, has been allocated \$100,000 under this program, but each project must be formally approved by both levels of government. Grants have yet to be awarded for this application.

An application to the Canada Healthy Communities Initiative has been prepared and submitted to transform the current outdoor rink into an outdoor multi-purpose facility. The township was unsuccessful with this application.

Township staff are drafting a targeted RFP for engineering to replace the pedestrian bridge in the Kagawong River Trail. Completing the engineering will allow for rapid implementation of this project when funding becomes available. Please remember the old bridge is unsafe and out of order. The decommissioning of the old bridge will be included in the new bridge proposal.

Township staff are drafting an RFQ, call to artists, to design a new face for the flywheel in the Municipal Office/Old Mill Heritage Centre parking lot at Old Mill Road.

Completion of the parking lot near the tree maze, including green space and butterfly garden has been postponed until 2022, given the existing activity in that vicinity related to Main St. reconstruction.

#### **Main Street Reconstruction**

The scope of the project extends from the intersection of Hwy 540, through the village past the Aus Hunt Marina (approximately 1 km total). The scheduled end date for the project remains September 30th but, in many respects, the project is well ahead of schedule.

The work on rock removal and widening the main part of the hill is complete, the major utility pole relocations are finished, and a significant portion of the storm sewer drainage system, including structures, has been installed. Residents should watch the municipal web site, Facebook page, and posters for notification regarding the temporary closure of Main St. in the vicinity of the Post Office and Anglican Church. This is expected to occur in early June, and will facilitate the removal of some low-level contaminated material in that section of the road bed, as well as the installation of the second oil-grit separator as part of the storm drain system.

Look for another information session to be held in June, pending project conditions. We appreciate the patience of all as we complete this project, particularly our Main Street residents and businesses.

**Strategic Plan 2022 – 2025**

The Township will be engaged in the next strategic planning cycle during 2021. Watch for strategic planning surveys! The more people who contribute ideas and comments, the better the process and the stronger the plan for the next planning cycle.

**Community Emissions and Energy Plan (CEEP)**

A draft version of the CEEP has been posted on the Billings website under the Climate Action Tab!

**Committee Updates**

**\*\* All Council & Committee Agendas and Minutes are posted on our Website: [www.billingstwp.ca](http://www.billingstwp.ca) \*\***

**Parks Recreation and Wellness (PRW)**

What is Open in Kagawong: Bridal Veil Falls staircase and trails, basketball/tennis courts, playground, boat launches and beaches!

June is Seniors Month! Watch for the announcement of the Senior of the Month Nominee for Billings Township. If you are interested in donating to the Kagawong Outdoor Rink or advertising, please contact Andrew Preyde, Deb Flaxman or Tiana Mills. New game board pieces and running/walking trail signage will be coming soon!

**Climate Action Committee (CAC):** Survey results have been posted on the Township of Billings Website at:

<https://billingstwp.ca/news/the-climate-change-engagement-survey-report-is-in/>.



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		Council Meeting 7:30pm Landfill 2pm-6pm				
Landfill 10am-4pm	Museum Committee 7:00pm	Landfill 2pm-6pm	EDC 7:00pm Community, Safety and Wellbeing 6-8pm	Landfill 2pm-6pm		
Landfill 10am-4pm		Library Board Meeting 7:30pm Landfill 2pm-6pm		Lake Kagawong Resource Committee 7:00pm Landfill 2pm-6pm		
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