



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

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



The Municipal Office is Open to the Public Once Again

Interim Tax Bills have been mailed out and are due March 31st, 2021. Payments can be made through the Bill Payment Services at the following banks: The Bank of Montreal, CIBC, Scotia Bank, RBC and TD Canada Trust. Credit Union customers can check with their local branch for set up and assistance. A \$15 administration fee will be applied to all Credit Card payments. Mailed in cheques are also acceptable. Failure to receive a tax bill does not excuse the property owner from paying taxes. If you move, remember to update your address with the Municipal Office. A penalty of 1.25% will be added to any unpaid balance after the due date and on the first of every month until paid.

Summer Student Job Postings will be posted on the Township Facebook Page, Website and Expositor this month!

Upcoming Council Meetings *VIRTUAL*

Tuesday March 2nd @ 7:30pm and Monday March 15th @ 7:30pm

Members of the public who wish to attend a Council or Committee Meeting can email Tiana Mills at billingsadmin@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.

Public Works Reminder

The Public Works Department would like to remind all residents that when they are removing snow from their driveways, please do not push the snow across roadways in a way that will create ridges in the roadway. These are hazardous for the Township Snow Plow Operators. If you have hired a snow removal contractor, you should be discussing this with them. The home owner is responsible for the actions of their snow removal contractor.

A Message from the Fire Department

A reminder for everyone to keep their driveways plowed out enough for large fire truck access in the event of a fire and to keep alternate emergency exits at your house shoveled this winter. New volunteers are always welcome!

Project Updates/Grant Applications

The Township has applied for Inclusive Communities Grant funding to improve the accessibility of the Old Mill building with barrier-free doors and a relocation of the steps to the building.

The municipality 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.

Main Street Reconstruction

Construction is expected to commence after May 1st, with substantial completion by September 30th. The scope of the project extends from the intersection of Hwy 540, through the village past the Aus Hunt Marina (approximately 1 km total).

Community Change Survey

Thank you to all Township of Billings residents that participated in the climate change survey and public engagement that was open in the month of February. At the posting of this newsletter, we have exceeded our participation goal. Stay tuned to the Billings Facebook page in March:

- For notifications on when the survey results will be published
- For notifications about the composter prize draw – winners will be contacted via email and with permission announced via Facebook

The results of this survey will be reviewed by Council and the Climate Action Committee (CAC) throughout the month of March and considered as we move into the final stages of our Community Emissions and Energy Planning (CEEP) process.

Didn't have a chance to participate in the climate change survey and public engagement – don't worry, we welcome members of the public to attend Climate Action Committee meetings and will accept community comments and recommendations on the draft CEEP when released in mid to late March. Climate change planning requires as much feedback from residents as possible and we hope you enjoyed participating in the survey as much as we enjoyed making it!



Committee Updates

** All Council & Committee Agendas and Minutes are Posted on our Website: www.billingstwp.ca **

Economic Development Committee (EDC) The Billings Council, staff, and the EDC have committed to creating a new promotion strategy for the municipality. Stay tuned for further details coming soon!

Parks Recreation and Wellness (PRW) The Outdoor Rink is still open for skating! Walking/running/cycling routes are in the works throughout Billings; look for signage in the spring. The Kagawong Fitness Centre (KFC) has reopened, contact Tiana Mills at (705)282-2611 x 221 for more details.

Climate Action Committee (CAC) The results of the climate change survey will be reviewed at the March 24th meeting and the committee will begin prioritizing projects and climate actions for the Community Emissions and Energy Plan (CEEP). A draft CEEP will be released in mid to late March, marking the beginning of the last consultation process before the CEEP is sent to Council for approval and adoption.



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Landfill 10am-4pm		Landfill 2pm-6pm	Economic Development Committee 7:00pm	Landfill 2pm-6pm		
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