

December 2024

eNewsletter - news & updates



Municipal Office:

December 23rd: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

December 24th: 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

December 25th - January 1st: **CLOSED**

January 2nd: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

For residents wishing to make a bill payment, there is a drop-off box located outside the front doors of the Municipal Office.

Building Inspections:

Building inspections will **not** be available from December 24th to January 1st.

Smith Landfill (1480 County Road 18):

December 23rd: **CLOSED**

December 24th: 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

December 25th & 26th: **CLOSED**

December 27th: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

December 28th: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

December 29th - 30th: **CLOSED**

December 31st: 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM








January 1st: **CLOSED**

January 2nd: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Changes To Garbage & Recycling Collection

Christmas Day – Wednesday, December 25th, 2024:

- **Garbage:** Collection will be cancelled. Please hold garbage until Saturday, December 28th, 2024.
- **Recycling:** Collection will be cancelled. Please hold recycling until Saturday,

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25  Garbage Cancelled Hold until Dec.28  Recycling Cancelled Hold until Dec.28	No change to Thursday Garbage & Recycling Collection	No change to Friday Garbage, Recycling or Green Bin Collection	28  Wednesday's Garbage  Wednesday's Recycling
Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1  Garbage Cancelled Hold until Jan.4  Recycling Cancelled Hold until Jan.2	No change to Thursday Garbage & Recycling Collection	No change to Friday Garbage, Recycling or Green Bin Collection	4  Wednesday's Garbage

January 2025

**New Year's Day – Wednesday,
January 1st, 2025:**

- **Garbage:** Collection will be cancelled. Please hold garbage until Saturday, January 4th, 2025.
- **Recycling:** Collection will be cancelled. Please hold recycling until Thursday, January 2nd, 2025.

All other routes will remain the same. There will be no changes to curbside green bin collection over the holidays.

December News & Reminders!

Landfill Winter Hours

The Smith Landfill Site (1480 County Road 18) will be operating on Winter Hours:

- Sunday: Closed
- Monday: Closed
- Tuesday: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
- Wednesday: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
- Thursday: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
- Friday: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
- Saturday: 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM



Find your Final Tax Levy on your bill!

Filing your income taxes and need to know how much property taxes you paid last year? Check out your Final Tax Notice that was sent to you in June!

***Note:** As long as you have paid in full, the amount listed will be the total property taxes paid for that year.

Reminder to Residents on Monthly PAP Plan!

If you are signed up for monthly pre-authorized payments (PAP) for your property taxes, there are no withdrawals in December or January! Watch your mailbox at the end of January for your Interim Tax Notice where you can find your February - June 2025 monthly PAP amounts!

The 2024 Strategic Plan & Recreation Services Plan are now available!

At the November 26th Council meeting, the 2024 Strategic Plan and the 2024 Recreation Services Plan were presented to Council and were approved! Township staff & Council will begin working towards achieving the initiatives listed in the Plans.



Strategic Plan & Recreation Services Plan Update

2024



Thank you to everyone who provided their input on both the Strategic Plan and Recreation Services Plan!

[View the Plans here!](#)

Help Restore the Lakefield Gateway Structures!

Lakefield's gateway structures, located at Queen Street and Stewart Drive, as well as Water Street and Block Road, have long served as a symbol welcoming visitors to our community. The masonry is deteriorating on both structures and one of the structures was severely damaged during the 2022 Derecho Windstorm.



If you are interested in contributing to the restoration of Lakefield's gateway structures, your generous donation will directly support the repair and restoration of the structures in 2025! **Please note this photo was taken prior to the damage.*

[Learn more on how to donate!](#)

Check your Chimney!

Before you light that wood stove or fireplace, the Selwyn Township Fire Dept. wants you to:

- Check your chimney for built up creosote before lighting. Creosote can cause a fire in the chimney if not properly cleaned out.
- Allow ashes to cool before emptying them into a metal container with a tight fitting lid. Keep the container outside and away from anything burnable!
- Check your CO detectors to make sure the batteries are working!



Happening this month!



Watch Live Council Meetings

December Council Meetings

- December 10th, 2024 - 1:00 PM
- December 12th, 2024 - 1:00 PM - **Major 2025 Budget Impacts & Preliminary Work Plans**

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!

Winter Parking Regulations

We remind everyone that there is no parking on all Township roads overnight during the winter season to allow for safe and effective snow clearing.



A Few Spots left in the FoodCycler Pilot Program!

Selwyn Township is wrapping up the 2024 Pilot Program and we have a few spots left.

Register for our waitlist while supplies last!

Participants will have their choice of three FoodCycler units:

- FoodCycler FC-30 for \$150 (+HST)

- FoodCycler Eco 3 for \$200 (+HST)
- FoodCycler Eco 5 for \$300 (+HST)

During the 12-week pilot period, participants will be asked to track how many times a week they run their FoodCycler. Once complete, participants will submit their tracking and keep their FoodCycler to continue reducing food waste!



Register!



Central Smith's 4th Annual Fill the Truck Campaign!

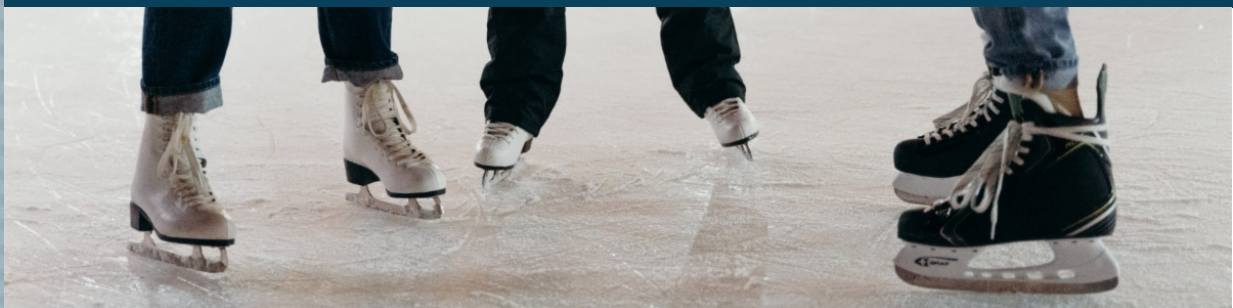
Central Smith is running their 4th Annual Fill the Truck Campaign! They are collecting nonperishable food items to support local food banks this holiday season.

You can bring your our non-perishable food items to the Selwyn Township Municipal Office (1310 Centre Line) or to any one of the **participating locations** by **December 19th** for pickup!

Upcoming Events

See what's happening this **month**.

Public Skating Programs



Public Skating Schedule

Thank you to our local businesses for sponsoring public skates this season!

Lakefield-Smith Community Centre - Saturdays from 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

- December 7th - **No Public Skating - LCS Tournament**

- December 14th - sponsored by the Chocolate Rabbit
- December 21st - sponsored by Kingdon Timbermart

Ennismore Community Centre - Sundays from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM

- December 8th - sponsored by Wes Evans Painting
- December 15th - **No Public Skating - EMHA Hockey Day**
- December 22nd - sponsored by Bridgenorth Pharmacy

See below for more public skating over the holidays!

FREE Senior Skating

Our drop-in senior skate offers a slower paced leisurely skate, which provides a safe environment.

- **Ennismore Community Centre:** Every Monday from 1:00PM to 3:00PM. **Free-of-charge** thanks to our sponsors Blue Diamond Window Cleaning & Swish Maintenance
- **Lakefield-Smith Community Centre:** Every Tuesday and Friday from 9:00AM to 11:00AM. **Free-of-charge** thanks to sponsor The Regency of Lakefield

Parent & Tot Skating

Our drop-in parents & tots skate offers a slower paced leisurely skate, which provides a safe environment. This is a great way to introduce your child to skating. **Fee: \$3/adult**

- **Ennismore Community Centre:** Every Monday from 10:00AM to 11:00AM
- **Lakefield-Smith Community Centre:** Every Tuesday from 11:00AM to 12 Noon

Public Skating Over Christmas Holidays!



Ennismore Community Centre:

- Monday, December 23rd from 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM sponsored by Central Smith Creamery
- Sunday, December 29th from 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM sponsored by Craftworks at the Barn
- Tuesday, December 31st from 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM sponsored by Camp's Automotive Repair Service
- Friday, January 3rd, 2025 from 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM sponsored by Wes Evans Painting
- Sunday, January 5th, 2025 from 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM sponsored by Bridgenorth Pharmacy

Lakefield-Smith Community Centre:

- Friday, December 27th from 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM sponsored by Craftworks at the Barn
- Saturday, December 28th from 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM sponsored by Bridgenorth Plaza
- Monday, December 30th from 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM sponsored by Nexicom
- Thursday, January 2nd, 2025 from 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM courtesy of MPP Dave Smith
- Saturday, January 4th, 2025 from 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM sponsored by Coyle's Tire & Auto

PTBO GreenUp: Net Zero Farms Pilot Program

Become a part of the Net Zero Farms pilot project in its second year! We are seeking farmers to lead the way by participating in this local project from GreenUP's business program Green Economy Peterborough.



The pilot offers custom Greenhouse Gas Inventory Reports that break down Greenhouse Gas emissions sources and opportunities for carbon sequestration on the farm. Learn where the largest impacts are, read recommendations and resources to help reduce emissions, and customize solutions to reduce the farm's environmental footprint and find any related cost savings.

[Learn more!](#)

PolarFest is back for 2025!

**PolarFest is back January 31st-
February 2nd, 2025!**

An exciting family festival, offering something for everyone to enjoy. Choose from activities for the young and the young at heart. Charity Hockey Game, Lakefield Trail Night Hike, Polar Paddle, Ice Carvings, fireworks by Supernova Fireworks and for the very brave... the BEL Rotary Polar Plunge!



Keep an eye on our website www.polarfest.ca for a full list of events !

Selwyn Public Library - News & Events

SELWYN PUBLIC LIBRARY

HOLIDAY HOURS

LOCATION	DEC 23	DEC 24	DEC 25	DEC 26	DEC 27	DEC 28	DEC 30	DEC 31	JAN 01	JAN 02	JAN 03	JAN 04
BRIDGENORTH	CLOSED			10-5	10-2	CLOSED			10-5	10-5	10-2	
ENNISMORE	CLOSED			1-5	10-2	CLOSED			10-6	1-5	10-2	
LAKEFIELD	CLOSED			10-5	10-2	CLOSED			10-8	10-5	10-2	
MAKERSPACE	CLOSED											

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