

TOWN OF SPANISH NEWSLETTER – May 2022

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YOUR COUNCIL:

Mayor: Jocelyne Bishop

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Sandra Trudel

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The Municipal Office, Public Works Dept and Library will be closed for the Victoria Day weekend on Monday, May 23rd

The Medical Clinic will be closed
May 12 -May 30, 2022

FIRE PERMITS

are required as of April 1
Permits are available at no cost at the municipal office.

Permits are issued to property owners **only**. Tenants **must** have written permission from the owner to obtain a permit

SPANISH MUNICIPAL MARINA OPENS FOR THE SEASON ON

FRIDAY, MAY 20th, 2022

Stay safe on the water!

Spanish Public Library News

Thanks to a grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation, the Spanish Public Library now has laptops, tablets, Wifi Hotspots, miniprojectors and webcams available. To borrow, you must be a permanent resident of the Town of Spanish, be in good standing with the library, provide photo ID and sign a user agreement form.

Attention: Summer Students

Resumes for summer employment can be dropped off at the municipal office or emailed to:

info@townofspanish.com

Please mark “summer student” on your resume. You must be enrolled in school and returning in the Fall.

Municipal Landfill Site

The Municipal Landfill will be opened to the Public beginning Friday, May 6th to the end of October, as follows:
Friday 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Saturday - 3rd Saturday of the month, from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Tipping fees may be paid at the Municipal Office or cash at the landfill site prior to dumping. The Spanish Landfill site is for the use of residents of the Town of Spanish or Serpent River First Nation only. Please be prepared to prove residency by providing a driver’s license or current tax bill when attending the site. Residents can bring yard waste – leaves, brush, etc. to the Landfill at no charge. Clean metal and tires are also accepted at no charge. As well, there is an electronics bin at the Public Works yard for disposal of televisions, computers, etc. These items will not be picked up during regular curbside pick-up.

RAINBOW DISTRICT ANIMAL CONTROL

For all dog/cat concerns, call
1-800-836-6661

BounceBack Ontario is a free self-help program that’s effective in helping people aged 15 and up who are experiencing mild to moderate anxiety or depression, or may be feeling low, stressed, worried, irritable or angry. Participants receive telephone coaching, skill-building workbooks and online videos to help them overcome these symptoms and gain new skills to regain positive mental health. To receive telephone coaching support, clients must either be referred by their primary care provider or psychiatrist, or they may self-refer as long as they are connected with a primary care provider.

BounceBack is not a crisis service or counselling, but a life-skills program that participants work with to develop coping techniques so they can overcome challenges now or in the future. Typically, participants take three to six months to complete the program. For more information:

<https://bouncebackontario.ca/>

SURPLUS LAND:

The Town has been receiving many inquiries about surplus land and building lots. We do not have a large inventory of single lots. If you have any property that is suitable for building and are interested in providing your contact information to the municipal office, we would be happy to pass the information on to interested parties who reach out to us.

SPANISH SPRING CLEAN UP DAY

FRIDAY, MAY 27th, 2022

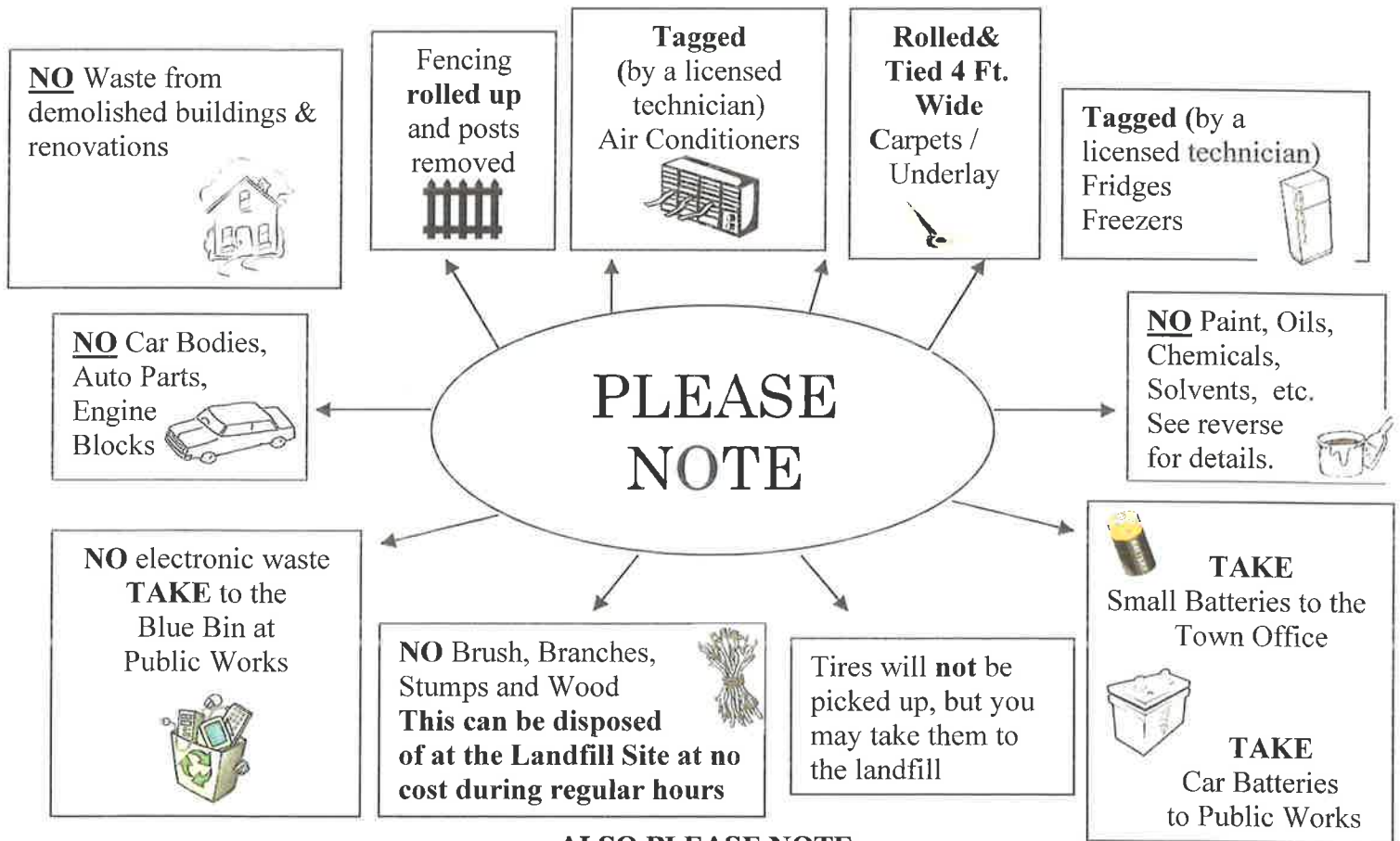


PLEASE HAVE YOUR GARBAGE OUT AT THE CURB BY **6:00 A.M.**
Please do not place at your curb, more than one day prior to pick up.

THE GARBAGE TRUCKS WILL BE MAKING ONE PASS ONLY.

PLEASE SEPARATE STEEL AND WOOD, AS IT WILL BE PICKED UP BY DIFFERENT TRUCKS.

PLEASE HAVE LOOSE MATERIAL IN CONTAINERS OR BOXES FOR EASY HANDLING



ALSO PLEASE NOTE:

The LANDFILL SITE is open to the public every:

FRIDAY from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Every third SATURDAY of the month from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

*** **TIPPING FEES** to be paid at the municipal office prior to dumping ***

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE

MUNICIPAL HAZARDOUS AND SPECIAL WASTE COLLECTION DAY

Residents of the Town of Spanish are invited to participate in the City of Elliot Lake's Collection Day

WEDNESDAY, June 1, 2022
11:00am – 7:00pm

Collection site located at the
City of Elliot Lake Public Works Yard
3 Timber Road (North Industrial Area)

Accepted Items include:

Paints & Stains	Printer Cartridges	Solvents
Aerosols	Oil & Oil Filters	Household Cleaners
Fluorescent Bulbs & Tubes	Automotive Fluids/Polishes	Propane Cylinders (1 kg)
Fire Extinguishers	Antifreeze	Fertilizers
Pool Chemicals	Gasoline	Pesticides
Pharmaceuticals	Brake Fluid	Mercury Thermostats
Sharps	Power Steering Fluid	Batteries – Car & Dry Cell

Items that will not be accepted include:

- Biomedical waste, flares, CO and smoke detectors, PCBs, ammunition, microwaves, asbestos, metal appliances
- Collection is only for residential waste

The disposal of hazardous waste is not permitted at the Town of Spanish Landfill Site.
Please take advantage of this opportunity.





RECREATIONAL VEHICLES ARE NOT TO BE USED FOR HABITATION WITHIN RESIDENTIAL OR COMMERCIAL ZONES IN THE TOWN OF SPANISH. THERE ARE EXCEPTIONS FOR SEASONAL USE IN RURAL AND LAKESHORE DEVELOPMENT ZONES, AS BELOW:

A maximum of **two [2]** “Recreational Vehicles” may be **stored** on a lot in a **residential zone** where a **main building** exists. Residential zone includes R1, R2, R3, ROS [Restricted Open Space-the islands] or LD Lake Shore Development zones.

A maximum of **two [2]** “Recreational Vehicles” may be **stored or used** on a **vacant** lot in an “RU” Rural Zone or “LD” Lakeshore Development Zone in accordance with the zone regulations 4.32. If you are not sure what zone you are in check the Spanish website: www.townofspanish.com - Quick Links - Zoning By-Law -Schedule B or contact our office at 705-844-2300.

Recreational Vehicle Means:

Means any vehicle so constructed that is suitable for being attached to a motor vehicle for the purpose of being drawn or is propelled by the motor vehicle and is capable of being used for living, sleeping, eating or accommodation of persons on a **temporary, transient or short-term basis**, even if the vehicle is jacked up or its running gear is removed. Examples include a motor home, tent trailer, a camper trailer, a recreational trailer, a fifth wheel or a bus converted into a motor home. For the purposes of this definition, a recreational vehicle shall be considered a structure for the purposes of establishing setbacks only. A recreational vehicle shall not be deemed to include a mobile home.



Requirements

4.32 Water and Sewage Disposal Systems

No **person** shall **erect** or **use** in whole or in part, any **building** or **structure** unless the **use, building** or **structure** is properly connected to approved **water and sewage systems** under the *Ontario Water Resources Act* or the *Building Code Act* unless the **use** is exempted under the *Building Code Act* or prohibited or regulated by this By-law.

The section above is from the Zoning By-law. It indicates that if you are using a Recreational Vehicle on a vacant property in the Rural or Lake Shore Development Zone, you must then have it connected to both an approved water supply and sewage system as referred to above.

All other sections of the Zoning By-Law and Official Plan would apply, including, but not limited to setbacks, flood plains, conservation lands, etc.

Proposed

A Trailer Licensing By-Law will require property owners with trailers to make application for an annual license. The By-Law is currently under review and a public meeting will be held to explain the purpose and intent of the proposed by-law. You will be given notice ahead of the public meeting date.

You can contact us by:

Phone: 705-844-2300

Fax: 705-844-2622

Email: info@townofspanish.com

Mail: P.O. Box 70, Spanish, ON P0P2A0



PUBLIC MEETING

The Town of Spanish
will be holding a
Public Meeting at the
Spanish Four Seasons Waterfront Complex
Monday, May 9, 2022, 7:00 p.m.
The purpose of this session is to discuss the
renaming of Colonization Road.
All interested parties are invited to attend.



Check out the following documentary on
YouTube: Colonization Road: The path of
reconciliation is long and winding
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u03qLJ50bf4>



Can I have a backyard fire within the Town of Spanish?

The municipality does not issue permits for warmth or food, however the following conditions as noted in by-law #97-09 still apply: Open air fires are not permitted between the hours of 8 am and 8 pm; A competent adult person must be present at all times; Suppression tools (rake, shovel, adequate water) shall be present. The fire must be 5 metres from a forested area, 2 metres from any flammable material and 15 metres from any building. No person shall set a fire in the open air which causes inconvenience or irritation to others.



MEDIA RELEASE



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April 8, 2022

\$23,100 OTF Grant Provides Technology to Residents

Spanish – In 2021, the Spanish Public Library received a \$23,100 *Resilient Communities Fund* grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation to purchase lending technology and an online service for the residents of Spanish. The project was completed in 2022 and will give people in the community improved access to resources and technology for years to come.

When asked about the special funding received by the Spanish Public Library, MPP Michael Mantha stated, “The generous support that OTF provides to our communities in Algoma-Manitoulin never ceases to amaze me.” He explained that Northern Ontario has been playing technological catch-up for far too long. “If our youth and our local businesses are going to be able to compete in the growing global economy, we need to be on a level playing field. This generous OTF grant is a great technological step forward for the Spanish community. To learn and develop skills, people need to have access. This grant will help to demonstrate to our government leaders how vital access to affordable, up-to-date highspeed technology is to the people of Algoma-Manitoulin,” added Mantha.

The purchase of the Hoopla Digital subscription service provides instant access to not only eBooks and audiobooks, but streaming movies, television, music and comics. Additionally, laptops, tablets, Wi-Fi hotspots and other technology will be available to the residents of the town and which will aid them to do such activities as attend virtual meetings and access online learning. And thanks to the \$23,100 grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation, people of all abilities will be given the opportunity to stay involved with their community while remaining safe during these unprecedented times.

“Funding from the Ontario Trillium Foundation has allowed us to redesign our workplace to reflect the new awareness of physical distancing and possible viral transmission. The library was also able to develop new ways to access services via curbside pickups or home logins to new online library platforms,” said Rene Mader, Chair of the Spanish Public Library. “The way that society accesses and shares information has changed. The COVID pandemic has highlighted the need for libraries to evolve with this new direction. The financial support from the Ontario Trillium Foundation has enabled our library to quickly adapt with the changing environment and to continue providing services to our community.”

The mission of the Spanish Public Library is to support its community members in their pursuit of knowledge for personal enrichment, enjoyment and educational needs. The provision of knowledge will be through the most current, economical and accessible forms of media material. The library will work together with its community members in making the change from the traditional forms to the newer social and technological media.

The Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF) is an agency of the Government of Ontario, and one of Canada’s leading granting foundations. Last year, nearly \$112M was invested into 1,384 community projects and partnerships to build healthy and vibrant communities and strengthen the impact of Ontario’s non-profit sector. In 2020/21, OTF supported Ontario’s economic recovery by helping non-profit organizations rebuild and recover from the impacts of COVID-19. Visit otf.ca to learn more.

Organization Contact for Media Inquiries:

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Spanish Public Library
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May 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Recreation Meeting 7pm - Zoom	4 Regular Council 7pm in Council Chambers	5	6 Landfill Open to the Public 8:30 – 2:30 Recycling – Fibre	7
8 	9 Public Meeting @ Complex 7pm Shedden Corp – Meeting at Municipal Office – 7pm	10 Library Board Meeting 7pm - Zoom	11	12 Planning & Economic Development Committee 7pm in Council Chambers	13 Landfill Open to the Public 8:30 – 2:30 Recycling Commingle	14
15	16	17	18 Regular Council 7pm in Council Chambers	19	20 Landfill Open to the Public 8:30 – 2:30 Recycling – Fibre FOOD BANK 4 - 5pm	21 Landfill Open to the Public 9 – 1 pm
22	23 VICTORIA DAY Municipal Office, Public Works closed	24 Public Works Committee Mtng – 7pm in Council Chambers	25	26	27 Landfill Open to the Public 8:30 – 2:30 Recycling Commingle	28
29	30	31 Medical Clinic Reopens	Laundromat and Gym - OPEN: Monday – 6 – 9 pm Thursday – 9am – 1pm Saturday – 9am – 1 pm		Gym members must complete waiver and PAR-Q prior to membership being issued.	

Spanish Medical Clinic Closed May 12 to May 30, 2022