

# TOWN OF SPANISH NEWSLETTER – July 2022

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## YOUR COUNCIL:

Mayor: Jocelyne Bishop

Deputy Mayor:

Karen Von Pickartz

Councillors:

Sandra Trudel

Mary-Louise Zarichney

Debra Joncas

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Rainbow District Animal Control  
1-800-836-6661

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## 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

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**Spanish River Snowmobile Club** would like to remind the public that your snowmobile permit does not cover your ATV. The Club has agreements with private landowners for trails during the winter months **ONLY**.

These trails are not approved ATV trails in the off season. **Please respect private property!** If in doubt whether or not a property is privately owned or Crown land, check the following website before heading out:

[www.ontario.ca/page/crown-land-use-policy-atlas](http://www.ontario.ca/page/crown-land-use-policy-atlas)

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## HELP WANTED

The Town is looking for a casual cleaner for the municipal office. Please submit a covering letter and resume to the municipal office, attention Pam Lortie, on or before Friday, July 22, 2022, 2pm

The **Municipal Landfill** will be opened to the Public on Fridays until the end of October, as follows:

Friday 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Saturday - 3<sup>rd</sup> 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. Electronic items can be placed in the bin at the public works yard. All other items, including construction material, will be subject to tipping fees. These items will not be picked up during regular curbside pick-up.

## KNOW WHAT TO DO IN A HEATWAVE

Drink fluids, especially water, before feeling thirsty.

Cool down in a cool store or public library.

Shade heads and faces with a loose-fitting ventilated hat or umbrella when outdoors.

Dress appropriately in light-weight, light- coloured and loose-fitting clothing.

Avoid getting sunburned. It decreases a body's ability to cool.

Never leave infants, children or pets inside a parked vehicle.

Check on elderly family members, neighbours and friends to make sure they are comfortable and safe.



Take these steps to prevent tick bites:

-Use bug repellent containing DEET

-Avoid shrubs and tall grassy areas

-Cover up! Wear long sleeve tops and pants.

-Tuck your pants into your socks for extra protection.

-Check yourself and children for ticks.

**Know the bug** - Black-legged ticks are very small and hard to see.

They are usually found low to the ground, on tall grass blades or on shrubs. If you find a tick on you, remove it with tweezers.

**Know the bite** – Tick bites are usually painless and are not itchy.

You may not even notice you have been bitten. Some people may develop a bull's-eye-like rash.

**Know what to do** – If you have been bitten by a tick, visit your health care provider to see if you should be tested for Lyme disease.

Early treatment with antibiotics is usually successful in most cases.

**Know the symptoms** – A circular rash referred to as a “bull's-eye” rash could be one of the earliest symptoms of an infection. If you develop a “bull's-eye” rash, fever, chills or extreme fatigue or feel like you have the flu, see your health care provider. Be sure to tell them if you have been camping, fishing or have been active outdoors.

[www.ontario.ca/lyme](http://www.ontario.ca/lyme)



## BUILDING PERMIT INFORMATION

**Do I need a building permit?** Building permits are required for any construction in the municipality, renovations, windows, siding, etc. Storage sheds under 108 sq ft. do not require a building permit, but do require a zoning permit. Pools and fences also require permits. If you have any doubt, contact the municipal office.

**How do I obtain a building permit?** Applications for a building permit are available at the municipal office. The application is completed by the homeowner and returned to the office for review by the Building Inspector. If everything is in order the permit will be issued, if the Building Inspector requires further information, the homeowner will be contacted. Approvals many be required from outside agencies, e.g. Algoma Public Health, Ministry of Transportation, etc. It is important to submit your permit application well before your proposed start date to ensure everything is in order. Once the permit is ready, the homeowner will be called and arrangements made for payment and pick up of the permit.

### **How much does a building permit cost?**

New Construction	\$10.00 per \$1,000 or part thereof of the value of the construction costs
Pre-Fab Sheds	\$50.00
Siding	\$40.00
Steel Roof (residential)	\$50.00
Shingled Roof	No Permit Required

A processing fee of \$35.00 applies to all permits.

The entire building by-law is available on the website.

**What happens after I pick up my permit?** The Building Inspector will make periodic inspections of the work until it is completed.

**What happens if I commence work without getting a permit?** Permit Fees shall be doubled if construction has started before the permit is issued.

### **What other permits may I require?**

If you are putting in a septic system, pit privy or grey water pit, you will need a permit from Algoma Public Health. They can be reached at **1-888-356-2551**

If you are doing electrical work, you will need a permit from Electrical Safety Authority **1-877-372-7233**

If you are building along Highway 17 you may require a permit from the Ministry of Transportation **1-705-491-1634** or apply on-line [www.hcms.mto.gov.on.ca](http://www.hcms.mto.gov.on.ca)

The municipal office staff is here to help and would be glad to review your building permit application and assist you with completing and submitting it to the Building Inspector. Call to set up an appointment.

## Spanish Public Library News

### Ontario Parks Day Use Passes

Once again, the Spanish Public Library is participating in the Ontario Parks Day Use Pass Lending Programme.

Free access to more than 100 provincial parks in Ontario. Some restrictions apply. Many parks are busy so reservations are recommended. Visit <https://www.ontarioparks.com/dayuse> to book

Pass can be borrowed once for a 1-week period.

Overdue fines: \$10.00/day.

Any passes not return will be considered lost and patron will be billed full replacement. Passes are valid until December 31, 2022.

Ask us today how you can reserve one.

### Our Services

Just a reminder that not only does the library house a traditional collection of books, we also have DVD's, Video games, Tackle Share, Nintendo Switch, Telescope and our newest additions, laptop, tablet, mini projector and webcam technology that can be borrowed with your library card. As well, we have many digital offerings including e-books, audiobooks, streaming movies and television shows and music, along with our online databases to entertain and enrich your life.

Hours of Operation:

Tuesday: 9:30am to 4:30pm

Wednesday: 9:30am to 4:30pm & 6:00 to 8:00pm

Thursday: 9:30am to 4:30pm & 6:00 to 8:00pm

Friday: 10:00am to 2:00pm

<http://www.townofspanish.com/residents/public-library/>

705-844-2555

[library@townofspanish.com](mailto:library@townofspanish.com)





# #KnowWhenToCall

- 9-1-1 is for police, fire, or medical emergencies only.
- For non-emergencies, call 1-888-310-1122.
- For weather conditions, call Environment Canada.
- For road conditions and closures, call 5-1-1.

- Every time an accidental or hang-up 9-1-1 call is received, police officers are dispatched.

***You may be taking a police officer away from a real emergency.***

Dial 9-1-1 by mistake? Don't hang up! Stay on the line to let the emergency operator know you're okay.

To avoid accidental or pocket dials:

- Lock the keypad on all your electronic devices before storing them.
- Don't let children play with cell phones.

# July 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
From June 26 <sup>th</sup> to September 10 <sup>th</sup> , access to the Laundromat and Gym will be available During the marina hours which are 7 days a week, from 8 am – 8 pm					1 Happy Canada Day!	2
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