

# TOWN NEWS

#### - Town of Deep River -

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In response to the third state of emergency The Town of Deep River Municipal Office will be closed until further notice.

Essential appointments will be accommodated by appointment only.

Indoor recreational facilities are closed until further notice.

#### TOWN OF DEEP RIVER COUNCIL MEETINGS DURING COVID-19

Residents can view a live stream of Council meetings as they occur, or meetings may be viewed later on the "Corporation of the Town of Deep River" YouTube channel. A link to archived Council Meeting videos is also available on the Town of Deep River website on the Council page in the subpage drop down menu under Council Meeting Videos. To review Council Meeting Videos. To review Council Meeting Agendas and Minutes please visit the Town of Deep River website at www.deepriver.ca and click on the Agendas and Minutes icon located on the main page.

## FINANCE DEPARTMENT

#### PROPERTY TAX

is due Monday, May 31 This tax bill was sent in

January. If you did not receive this bill, please contact the Town Hall at 613-584-2000. Due to the lockdown the Town Hall doors are locked so payment can be made by cash or cheque and placed in the night deposit box located in the Police Department or at your local banking branch.

#### WATER BILL

Due to COVID-19 lockdown, the first water bill of the year will be due June 30, 2021. For questions about water and sewer billing, call 613-584-2000.



## BACKYARD HEN PERMIT APPLICATIONS

Backyard Hen Permit Applications are now available on the Town website!

All rules, regulations, enforcement, and pilot project duration are stated on the application and permit. More information can be found on the Town of Deep River website at www.deepriver.ca

# WASTE COLLECTION REMINDERS

Waste must be at the curb no later than 7:00am on your scheduled collection day.

- Due to COVID-19 all garbage must be bagged. Please do not place loose garbage in the garbage can.
- Styrofoamisnotrecyclable.
- Plastic bags are no longer recyclable. The exception is that shredded paper can be placed in a clear plastic bag.

## SPRING CLEAN-UP IS NOW COMPLETE

The 2021 Spring clean up ended May 17th. Yard waste, biodegradable bags, brush and tree branches can be taken to the Baggs Road Landfill.

#### Baggs Road Landfill Site is open:

Tuesday through Saturday - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Directions: Take Highway 17 east to Chalk River, turn left (at lights) on Plant Road and then left onto Baggs Road (just before AECL's outer gate). Baggs Road Landfill Site is approximately 2.5 km down the road on your left.

#### **WATERING RESTRICTIONS**

APPLY FROM MAY 1 UNTIL SEPTEMBER 30 (INCLUSIVE). Addresses ending in 0, 2, 4, 6 or 8 may water their lawns on "even numbered calendar dates", i.e.: May 2nd, June 30th, July 18th, and August 6th.

Addresses ending in 1, 3, 5, 7 or 9 may water their lawns on "odd numbered calendar dates", i.e., June 3rd, July 15th, August 21st, and September 7th.

The only permitted watering hours are: 7:30 - 11am and 6 - 9pm



### **#NoHotPets**

As temperatures soar, the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society is urging pet owners to take extra precautions to keep their furry friends cool and safe.

- If you can't take your pet with you when you leave your car, leave them at home where they are safe.
- Parked cars can quickly reach deadly temperatures, even on relatively mild days with the car parked in the shade and the windows slightly open.
- SPCAs across Canada receive hundreds of reports of pets being left in cars every year.
- It is imperative that each of us as animal owners is responsible in providing the proper care for our pets. As such, leaving a pet unattended in a vehicle is one of the most irresponsible things a pet owner can do.
- Remind all your friends and family not to leave their pets in their cars this summer by sharing the No Hot Pets messages below on social media using #NoHotPets!

See an animal unattended in a vehicle? Report it! ACT FAST. SAVE A LIFE. If you spot an unattended pet in a vehicle that appears to be suffering from heat exhaustion, do not hesitate to call your local Police or another first responder agency. Report animal welfare concerns 24/7 by calling 1-833-9ANIMAL (1-833-926-4625).

"I left the window down for him. I was not going to be gone long." We have heard it all! The issue of owners leaving their pets in their vehicles during the hot summer months, putting animals' safety at risk and even causing death, is an ongoing problem. There is no excuse for leaving a pet unattended in a vehicle and this summer we need your help to share this important message. **#NoHotPets** 



# Barbecue Safety Grilled to Perfection Every Time!

**USE BBQS OUTDOORS ONLY!** They produce **carbon monoxide**, a poisonous gas that can lead to unconsciousness and even death. Never use or store propane cylinders inside any structure, including garages.

#### Take these steps when starting a BBQ:

- Open the hood.
- Turn on the gas release valve on the tank.
- Turn on the grill controls or heat settings.
- Take a step back.
- Push the igniter button
- If there is no igniter button, insert a long match or BBQ lighter through the side burner hole first, then turn on the heat control knob.
- If the burner does not ignite right away, turn the gas off and wait five minutes, keeping the hood open, before repeating the procedure.

## At the start of the BBQ season, do this THREE-STEP SAFETY CHECK of your BBQ:

- CLEAN Use a pipe cleaner or wire to ensure burner ports are free of rust, dirt, spider webs or other debris.
- CHECK Examine the hose leading from the tank to the burners. Replace it if cracked or damaged.
- 3 TEST Find leaks by applying a 50/50 solution of water and dish soap to propane cylinder connections and hoses. If bubbles appear, tighten the connection and/or replace the damaged parts and retest.

## Stay Fire Sate!

Never leave the BBQ unattended when in use Make sure grease does not build up on the burners or at the base of the BBQ. This could

**Never throw water on a grease fire** – this will only spread the flame.

**DO NOT** place the BBQ close to wooden fence or walls, vinyl siding, or anything that can burn. The area behind your BBQ must be free of anything that can ignite – this is where hot gases escape.

Keep loose clothing away from a hot BBQ.

Keep children and pets at least one metre (three feet) away from a hot BBQ.

When finished barbecuing, turn the gas valve off first, then turn off the burner controls so no gas is left in the connecting hose.

Allow the BBO to cool completely before

closing the cover.

If you live in an apartment or condo build check with the building owner or propert

check with the building owner or property manager, or the Condominium Act of your building, regarding the use of BBQs on your building's balconies.

\* SAFETY TIPS COURTESY OF THE TECHNICAL STANDAR AND SAFETY AUTHORITY / WWW.SAFETYINFO.CA

> Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Managen



#### Library Services during Stay-At-Home Order

While our doors are closed to the public, we are here to provide contactless curbside pick-up and home delivery of materials (including printing/scanning/fax).

Our hours of service: Tues – Sat 11am – 3pm • Thurs, 6-8pm

To celebrate **Asian Heritage Month**, we're highlighting fantastic library resources for all ages. Contact us for reading and viewing recommendations!

**Shelf Indulgence Book Club:** for those who love the idea of a book club but life gets in the way. We provide a book each month (in the format that suits you best) and discussion prompts. Reply at your leisure online. Contact us to register!

Check out our new **Seed Library**, thanks to the Deep River & Area Horticultural Society. Borrow seeds, donate seeds, and return the seeds in the fall (if possible).

NEW: **Pop up Art: Library Book Art Kits** from Ottawa Valley Community Arts! Three kits to choose from. Contact us to reserve yours, and collaborate on art pieces that will be displayed in libraries throughout the Valley.

Don't forget, we've got super fun Play and STEAM kits, Board games, and Ontario Parks Day Passes. Free with your library card. **Book Chat** with the Seniors Friendship Club and Laurentian Hills Library: first Tuesday of the month at 1pm. Contact uovsfc55@gmail.com or 613-401-3452 for the Zoom link. All (ages) welcome to share what you're reading!

613-584-4244 or info@deepriverlibrary.ca to arrange for materials, book your computer session, or with questions.