



## Wollaston Township Community News & Events

MARCH 2023

### Office Hours

The Wollaston Township office is open on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9am-4pm, by phone at 613-337-5731, or by fax at 613-337-5789, as well as via email to [office@wollaston.ca](mailto:office@wollaston.ca).

### Information Updates

**The March Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday March 14<sup>th</sup>, at 10 a.m.**

Interim bills were sent out in February, and the first installment payment is due on March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Municipal information is available 24/7 on our website, [www.wollaston.ca](http://www.wollaston.ca), and on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/wollastontownship](https://www.facebook.com/wollastontownship). To receive your tax bill electronically, please download the Tax Notice Email Consent form from [www.wollaston.ca/township-hall/applications-licenses-and-permits/](http://www.wollaston.ca/township-hall/applications-licenses-and-permits/)

**Wollaston Township is not affiliated with the “What’s Happening Wollaston” Newsletter or Facebook**

The **Water Tap** is open for use 24/7, and can be found at 90 Wollaston Lake Road, on the south wall of the Roads building. **Please do not wash vehicles or leave the tap on.**

The **Playground** is currently open, while the **Beach & Bathrooms** remain closed.

### Good Food Bags

Good Food Bags can be ordered and paid for (by cash) at the Wollaston Public Library (hours listed below). Please order by March 08<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Vegetable Bags are \$10.00 each, and Fruit Bags are \$5.00 each. The pickup date is March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at St. Andrew's United Church at approximately 3:30 pm.

**For any questions, please contact Sue Mowers at (613) 337-5339**

### Wollaston Public Library

Follow the Library on Facebook at [www.facebook.com.WollastonPublicLibrary/](https://www.facebook.com/WollastonPublicLibrary/) for book recommendations, summer programming and updates to their donation and fund-raising program.

Winter hours for the library are Tuesday 12–4, Wednesday 12–3, Thursday 12–4 and Friday 12–4. Craft Saturdays will return in spring and summer 2023. Please call 613-337-5183 or email [library@wollaston.ca](mailto:library@wollaston.ca) for assistance.

### Rink

Township Staff are again flooding the rink for skating purposes. The opening of the rink will depend on the weather conditions. Please continue to monitor the Township's Facebook page for updates on when the rink is open.

## Emergency Management – Flooding Information

Flooding in Ontario is typically caused by:

- rapidly melting snow
- ice jams
- high lake levels or storm surges
- heavy rains and thunderstorms

Floods can happen at any time of year, often with little or no warning.

Before a flood

Be prepared for an emergency by creating a 72-hour [emergency preparedness plan and kit](#) for you and your family.

Inside your home:

- Store personal belongings in sealed bins.
- Move documents and keepsakes out of the basement.
- Test sump pumps regularly and install a back-up power system (for example, battery back-up or generator).
- Put weather protection sealant around basement windows and ground-level doors.
- Install heck valves in sewer traps to prevent floodwater from backing up into the drains of your home.

Outside your home:

- Extend downspouts at least two metres from your home to move water away from the building.
- Remove debris that could present danger during flood events.
- Secure outdoor furniture and items around piers, docks or boathouses.
- Regularly maintain water drainage systems, such as weeping tile, culverts and ditches.

Helpful links

- [Flooding and insurance information \(Insurance Bureau of Canada\)](#)
- [How to make an emergency plan and kit](#)
- [Home Flood Protection Program \(Intact Centre on Climate Adaptation\)](#)
- [www.ontario.ca/page/floods](http://www.ontario.ca/page/floods)

## Load Restrictions

Load restrictions are now in effect and enforced for five tonne per axle load restrictions as of **March 01<sup>st</sup>**, 2023 on all roads within the Township.