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Neebing Emergency Services

by Dale Ashbee, Fire Chief, Neebing



September's Here Already, and I "Hardly Heard" it Coming!

Although it was a little tardy in arriving, summer finally did reveal itself, and it put on a pretty good 'showing'. It could be ranked as not the hottest, not the coldest, nor the driest or wettest of seasons - maybe even be rated as 'AV-ERAGE'. Although not exactly 'exciting', it would register as the NORMAL sort of summer we tend to use as a ref-

erence point for our complaints and concerns when/if the weather deviates from that pleasant 'AVERAGE'. One of the benefits derived as a result of living with our 'average summer' weather this summer has been the highly reduced number of High and Extreme wildfire-danger ratings we have experienced, especially when compared to the summer of 2021. Over that summer, rainfall was an oddity and high temperatures were a regular occurrence. To date, no fire bans have been necessary in Neebing, and regular rainfall with fluctuating moderate temperatures have kept fire conditions for the most part in the lower danger levels. However, even in the cooler early days of Fall, it takes only a few hot, dry days (wind adds to the hazards) to quickly raise the wildfire-danger levels. It is important that residents remain vigilant, and adjust their burn activities appropriately in accord with the current weather conditions. You can quickly check on fire danger levels on the Neebing website at www.neebing.org or the Ontario fire map at: https://www.lioapplications.lrc.gov.on.ca/ForestFireInformationMap/index.html?viewer=FFIM.FFIM How quickly summer passes! The days at first begin to shorten ever so slowly, but then seem to pick up the pace as September approaches and the focus of community activities gradually change sas September comes into view. There are crops to be harvested, Fall Fairs to attend and the life-style game-changer for children of all ages - head-



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ing back to school, with first timers off to elementary classes and old timers off to Secondary or post-secondary facilities (and maybe even moving into, or out of town). All those leisurely summer habits need to adjust to meet the requirements of a changing season.

In September, fire hazards of note include our usual **year-round** concerns with regular activities related to **cooking**, **smoking** and **electrical fires**. In addition, these fire concerns are now joined by some **seasonally significant** issues related to **farm fires**, as well as (with the reopening of schools) fire issues commonly noted with **student housing** (**e.g.** students may not use safe fire practices while cooking in their rooms).

Farms are noted as particularly vulnerable to fires in September. There is significant harvesting and crop storage underway, and storage facilities are near to full, providing considerable fuel if there is a fire start.

There are numerous sources to access fire safety tips and checklists which can help farmers to maintain high levels of fire safety during their farm operations, including the following publications on barn fire safety from OMAFRA https://www.ontario.ca/page/10-ways-reduce-risk-barn-fire and a Farm Fire Safety Checklist compiled PDF .https://www.hamilton.ca/sites/default/files/media/browser/2016-02-16/farm-fire-safety-checklist.pdf

In regard to student safety most elementary and secondary schools (as well as school boards) are well aware of fire safety concerns and regulations. As well, they seek to ensure that returning students, parents and the community overall, are aware as well of the need for safe travel behavior while walking or busing to school in the fall.

An area of particular concern is related to post-secondary schools, where returning students may be moving out of their home (or their community) to live in dorms or private accommodation, often for the first time. There is considerable helpful material available directed to post-secondary school students living away from home, but the key messaging relates to core concerns and fire safety tips for any home, and are therefore worth repeating for all:

- Pay attention while cooking: Cooking is the #1 cause of home fires in Ontario. More than 1,190 cooking-related fires happen annually (Ontario 2015-2019). When preparing food, never leave anything you're cooking unattended. If you're sleepy or have consumed alcohol, don't use the stove or stovetop.
- Be extra careful with candles: Candles are a major cause of fires. For a safer option, use battery operated candles. They look and smell just as nice, without the fire risk. If you do burn candles, keep them away from anything flammable. Never leave a lit candle unattended, and put it out before you leave a room or go to bed.
- **Know the tools that keep you safe:** Make sure you have a **working smoke alarm** and **carbon monoxide alarm**. Only 45 per cent of residential fires from 2010-2019 had functioning smoke alarms. If you live in a dorm, make sure you know the location of the closest fire alarm pull station, as well as the nearest emergency exit or stairwell away from your floor.
- **Have a plan:** Forty years ago, a person had 17 minutes of time to escape a fire. Today, you have less than three (3) minutes (see CloseYourDoor.org). Fire spreads faster than ever before because of synthetic materials, furniture and construction. Be sure to **plan and practice your fire escape plan**. Know what to do and where to go during an emergency!

If you have young children, you may find an easily followed video of home fire safety tips for children viewable on YouTube at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3yJtSSovwJM useful.

With the arrival of September, we are also reminded that **Fire Prevention Week** will soon be here: **October 9 - 15, 2022**. This year's FPW theme of **"Fire Won't Wait - Plan Your Escape!"** - *Stay Safe*

Contacting the OPP

The Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) are contracted by the municipality to provide services to ensure the safety and security of our residents. You can help keep our community safe by keeping the police informed.

Did you know that the OPP have different ways you can inform them of incidents in our area?

For emergency events call 9-1-1.

For non-emergency events you can either:

- Call the 24-hour toll-free number at 1-888-310-1122;
- Call the detachment at 807-939-2133; or
- File a report online at https://www.opp.ca/index.php?id=132

Council would like to encourage residents to contact the OPP as things occur. Some laws are difficult to enforce when reported days after the offence has occurred. Examples would be disturbing the peace, drinking on public property or drinking and driving/boating.

Who You Gonna Call?

The OPP respond to calls about speeding, noise, public drinking on municipal property, boating infractions and more.

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What's Been Happening at Council Meetings?

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Since the August edition, there has been one regular meeting of Council on August 10 and one Special Meeting of Council on August 22.

At the regular Council meeting on August 10, the following matters were considered:

- Council heard deputations from a resident related to a turnaround on Valley Road West and NorWest Community Health Centre regarding the Kakabeka Clinic.
- Council authorized the purchasing process for work at the Sturgeon Bay Boat Launch.
- Council authorized staff to begin planning for a proposed fishing derby.
- Council reviewed an application for a second entrance.
- Council appointed members to the Lakehead Police Services Board.

At the Special Council meeting on August 22, Council passed the by-law to adopt the new Official Plan, pending approval from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

The next Council meeting will be held on September 7th. Regular Council meetings are schedule for the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month.

This article contains only highlights from Council meetings – visit the website to see the approved minutes from each of the meetings. The minutes of each meeting are approved at the following meeting, and are posted on the website once they have been approved and signed. If you don't have internet capabilities, you can always contact the office for copies of approved minutes.

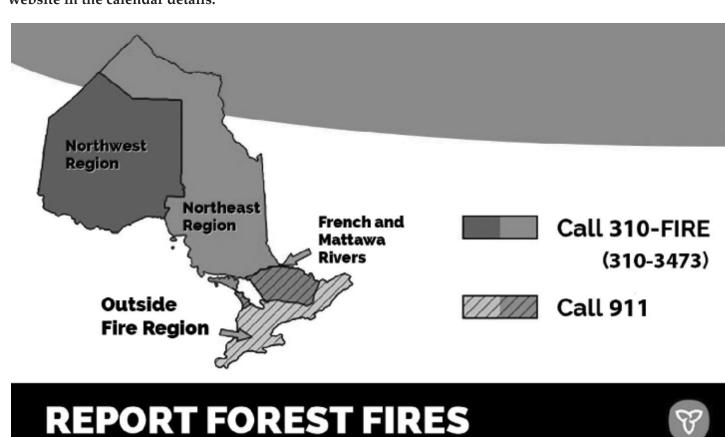
Meeting agendas are always posted online on the Friday prior to the Wednesday meeting. Come out and see what your Council is doing on your behalf. Feel free to contact the Municipal Office for further information or with input into any of the items that Council is considering. The meetings are now being held at the Municipal Office, but there is the option to attend virtually as well. The links to login to the meetings are posted on our website in the calendar details.







Fire Permits are available 24 hours a day at www.neebing.org/firepermits







Register to vote in the 2022 Ontario Municipal and School Board Elections

The upcoming year will be a busy one for Ontario voters, with the Ontario Provincial Election and Municipal and School Board Elections happening just a few months apart.

Make sure you are on the list to vote in the 2022 Municipal and School Board Elections on October 24.

Register at www.voterlookup.ca

Make sure you're on the Voters List!

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2022 Neebing Municipal Election October 24, 2022

Consider serving your community by running for council.

For more information visit: www.neebing.org/elections or call 807-474-5331



EMERGENCY TEXT ALERT SERVICE for Neebing Residents



Sign up for Neebing's Emergency Text Alert Service. This text alert service is used to notify our residents <u>via text message</u> of immediate dangers or emergencies occurring in our community such as evacuations, road closures, forest fires and other hazards. Sign up is free but you must have a smartphone equipped to receive text messages to use this service as it does not work on land lines.

Sign up at **neebing.org/textalerts** or send us your name, Neebing address, and your text-enabled cell phone number including area code to **neebing@neebing.org** or call us at 474-5331. Your personal information is kept strictly confidential.



Contact Us - Municipality of Neebing

Complaints, Concerns, or Questions: Want action on a problem? Want answers to your Municipal questions? Get accurate information right from the source: www.neebing.org or call the office at 474-5331. Report your concern, voice your complaint, or get answers to your Municipal questions with the click of a mouse or a phone call.

Emergency Road Condition Reporting: If you encounter an emergency road condition such as a washout, a sinkhole, etc., please call the Municipal Office direct 474-5331 even if you are calling outside of regular office hours (Mon - Fri 9am - 5pm). Leave us a detailed voice message as the municipal voicemail is monitored to help us act quickly when such emergency issues occur.

Municipal complaints or concerns posted on social media forums or website pages not maintained by the Municipality are not monitored or recorded. Please, contact the Municipal Office direct - we are here to help!



NEEBING LANDFILL NEWS



Summer Landfill Hours

A reminder that summer hours start at the landfill on April 1st

Saturdays: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Sundays & Wednesdays: 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm



Garbage Bag Tags

Regular household garbage requires a Municipal Garbage Bag Tag. Pick up your tags at the landfill sites directly during regular hours of operation. You must present photo ID to the attendant in order to receive your tags.



Back to Bags for Plastics & Cans

Please BAG your plastics and cans. Clear and blue bags are recommended. Bags help to keep the mountain of recycling much more manageable. Cardboard does not have to be bagged, only flattened.

PLEASE FLATTEN CARDBOARD BOXES

Help us recycle even more by flattening your cardboard. It's as easy as opening the top of the box!

1 Remove all packaging from box







- Open the bottom of the box the same way you opened the top
- 3 Flatten the box completely



4 Place in recycling bin





Notice of a Public Meeting being held to consider an application for a proposed Land Severance (Application Number B05-2022)

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NEEBING

Please take notice that the Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Neebing, sitting as Committee of the Whole, will hold a Public Meeting on Wednesday, September 7, 2022, at 5:00 p.m., at the Neebing Municipal Office to consider a proposed severance under Section 53 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended. The Committee's recommendations to Council will be considered for ratification at the Regular Council Meeting on the same evening, commencing at 6:00 p.m.

The Application (B05-2022) is brought by Cliffview Properties Inc., the property owner. The land parcel which is the subject matter of the application is vacant land on Sturgeon Bay Road with no municipal address, and is legally described as "Mining Location 15K, Parts 1, 2 and 3 on reference plan 55R14960, in the geographic Blake Township, in the Municipality of Neebing and Province of Ontario". This is referred to as the "Subject Property".

The proposed severance would result in two new lots, and the retained lot. A sketch showing the lot configuration is included with the application, a copy of which is available on the Neebing website (www.neebing.org/notices) or by contacting the Municipal Office. The retained lot will have frontage of approximately 715 meters on Sturgeon Bay Road. The first severed lot will have frontage of approximately 296 meters on Sturgeon Bay Road, will be rectangular in shape with a depth of 122 meters, and an area of approximately 3.7 hectares. The second severed lot will have frontage of approximately 331 meters on Sturgeon Bay Road, will be rectangular in shape with a depth of 122 meters, and an area of approximately 3.7 hectares. The retained lot will be rectangular in shape, with depth of approximately 127 meters from Sturgeon Bay Road, and an area of approximately 12 hectares in area. Precise measurements are shown on the property survey attached to the application

ANY PERSON may attend the Public Meeting and/or make written or verbal presentations either in support of, or in opposition to, the proposed severance. If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the Committee of the Whole in respect of the proposed severance does not make oral submissions at this public meeting, or does not provide written submissions prior to the decision of the Council in the matter, the Ontario Land Tribunal may not grant them status to maintain the appeal.

How to provide input: You can provide input on the application as follows:

- a) Submit comments in writing by email, to clerk@neebing.org;
- b) Submit comments by regular mail to the mailing address below;
- c) Register to speak at the Public Meeting (whether in-person or electronically), in advance, to clerk@neebing.org, or by calling the Clerk-Treasurer at the number below; or
- d) Attend the public meeting in-person, or via electronic means, and register with the Clerk-Treasurer, upon arrival, indicating your wish to address the Public Meeting orally.

Please note that, in order to be considered, written comments must be submitted by 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 7, 2022. It is the writer's responsibility to check with the Clerk-Treasurer, using the contact information below, to confirm that electronically submitted or mailed written comments have been received

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION related to the proposed severance is available for by calling the Clerk-Treasurer at 807-474-5331.

DATED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF NEEBING this 19th day of August, 2022.

Erika Kromm Clerk-Treasurer

Notice of a Public Meeting being held to consider an application for a proposed Minor Variance (Application Number B04-2022)

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NEEBING

Please take notice that the Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Neebing will hold a Public Meeting on Wednesday, September 7, 2022 at 5:00 pm, at the municipal office to consider an application to under Section 45 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended, for relief from the side yard provisions of Zoning By-law 2017-030. If the amendment is recommended, the Public meeting will be followed by a Council meeting at which the enabling by-law will be considered.

The Application which is the subject matter of this notice is brought by Barbara Harapiak at 1348 Sturgeon Bay Road, and legally described as "Plan WM121 Lot 15 and Part 3 of Road Allowance on Reference Plan 55R5952, in the geographic Blake Township, in the Municipality of Neebing and Province of Ontario". This is referred to as the "Subject Property".

The applicants seek permission to decrease the side yard setback on the east side of the property to allow for an addition to the existing residence. The current side yard setback would only allow for an addition of 3 meters. A reduced side yard would allow for extra width of the planned addition and improve its functionality. As a result, the reduced side yard is being requested.

A full copy of the application is on our website at www.neebing.org/notices, which includes a sketch showing the lot configuration. If you would prefer to have a full copy mailed to you, please contact the office to request same.

ANY PERSON may attend the Public Meeting and/or make written or verbal presentations either in support of, or in opposition to, the proposed minor variance. If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the Committee of the Whole in respect of the proposed minor variance does not make oral submissions at this public meeting, or does not provide written submissions prior to the decision of the Council in the matter, the Ontario Land Tribunal may not grant them status to maintain the appeal.

How to provide input: You can provide input on the application as follows:

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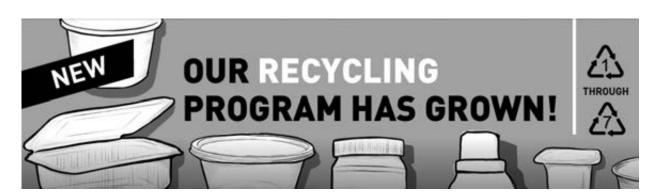
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George Jeffrey Children's Foundation

Wilderness Discovery Centre Sponsors Camping Experience for Neebing Family

For the first time ever, this year Thunder Bay's George Jeffrey Children's Foundation sponsored a FREE camping experience for one of their clients and their family at Wilderness Discovery Centre in Shebandowan. Neebing's Kaleigh Harasen and her family were the recipients and spent 5 days at the camp in August. Wilderness Discovery is a fully wheelchair accessible campground situated 80 kilometers west of Thunder Bay, Ontario. The camp was formed as a non profit corporation in 2017 with the main use of the facility focusing on individuals with physical disabilities and veterans and their families. The expectation is that the facility will also be made available to other non profit groups, and additionally when vacancies occur, corporate retreats, family reunions, and gatherings. Kaleigh has been a client of the George Jeffrey Children's Centre since she was an infant and after a difficult year struggling with a complicated disease she and her family were immensely grateful to be awarded the time at the camp. Their stay included pontoon boat rides, bonfires, fishing, swimming, beach, paddle boats, various gift cards and a few surprises to make Kaleigh's time at camp extra special! Congratulations Kaleigh and thank you to George Jeffrey Children's Foundation and their wonderful supporters, and to all those at Wilderness Discovery Centre.



Notice of a Public Meeting being held to consider an application for a proposed Zoning By-law Amendment (Application Number Z01-2022)

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NEEBING

Please take notice that the Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Neebing, sitting as Committee of the Whole, will hold a Public Meeting on Wednesday, September 7, 2022, at 5:00 p.m., via electronic meeting to consider a proposed zoning amendment under Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended. If the amendment is recommended, the Public meeting will be followed by a Council meeting at which the enabling by-law will be considered.

The Application which is the subject matter of this notice is brought by Cliffview Properties Inc. as the property owner. The land which is the subject matter of the application, is vacant land on Sturgeon Bay Road with no municipal address, and is legally described as "Mining Location 15K, Parts 1, 2 and 3 on reference plan 55R14960, in the geographic Blake Township, in the Municipality of Neebing and Province of Ontario".

The proposed Zoning By-law Amendment seeks to change the zoning from Extractive Industrial to Rural. The effect of this change is to allow the owner to build residential dwellings on the property, as well as on the proposed lots that are the subject of Consent application number B05-2022. A full copy of the application is on our website (https://www.neebing.org/notices/) or by contacting the Municipal Office.

ANY PERSON may attend the Public Meeting and/or make written or verbal presentations either in support of, or in opposition to, the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment.

AFTER NOTICE of the passage of a by-law relating to this application has been published, the applicant, a person or public body who, before the by-law was passed, made oral or written submissions to the Council, or the Minister of Municipal Affairs, may appeal the decision of the Council to the Ontario Land Tribunal on the grounds that:

- the by-law is inconsistent with a Provincial Policy Statement;
- b) the by-law does not conform with, or conflicts with, a Provincial Plan; or
- c) the by-law fails to conform with Neebing's Official Plan.

How to provide input: You can provide input on the application as follows:

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- b) Submit comments by regular mail to the mailing address below;
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- d) Attend the public meeting in-person, or via electronic means, and register with the Clerk-Treasurer, upon arrival, indicating your wish to address the Public Meeting orally.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION related to the proposed zoning amendment is available for by calling the Clerk-Treasurer at 807-474-5331. DATED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF NEEBING this 19th day of September, 2022.

Erika Kromm, Clerk-Treasurer Municipality of Neebing 4766 Highway 61, Neebing, Ontario P7L 0B9 Phone: 807-474-5331; Facsimile: 807-474-5332

> Erika Kromm Clerk-Treasurer

HOW TO CONTACT YOUR COUNCIL MEMBERS

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R-Residence C-Cell

Candidates for the Neebing Election were asked some questions to help inform the public as to their backgrounds and their goals if elected.

- 1 What position are you running for?
- 2: Tell people about your connection to your municipality: How long have you lived here? What do you enjoy best about the area?
- 3: What strengths/background do you bring to your municipality as a candidate for council?
- 4: What vision do you have/objectives would you like to achieve for the municipality?
- 5: If you could tell residents something that covers your desire to be a candidate, what would it be?

MAYORAL CANDIDATES

ZIGGY POLKOWSKI

I am running for Mayor

I have lived in Neebing since 1974

I love the people, the fishing, the hills and the lakes - these are my passions.

I know how the municipal system works quite well. I was Deputy Mayor for 9 years and Mayor for 8 years in Neebing. I know how to fix the roads without consultants.

I'd like very much fo address the roads - chipseal the largest amount of our roads that we possibly can. I want to help the Fire Department and First Responders have better working conditions and the best equipment we can provide for them. I really like working with people to resolve their problems. My biggest desire is to do just that. I can't sleep if I can't help solve their problems!

MARK THIBERT

I am running for the position of Mayor, Neebing, ON.

I have resided in Neebing for the past 8 years, having fallen instantly in love with the surrounding beauty, peace, and opportunity in the community.

I am passionate about life in Neebing with its bounty of farming, agriculture, recreational activities, private commerce, and sense of family and belonging - a little piece of heaven for everyone!

Over the past 4 years, I have served tirelessly and passionately as Councillor for Blake Ward in Neebing.

As a Lieutenant Colonel in the Canadian Armed Forces, I held many high-profile political leadership positions locally, provincially, nationally and internationally.

In my civilian career, I have been the Chief of Surgery and President of the Medical Staff for nearly 14 years. I am an Associate Professor at the Northern Ontario School of Medicine, and leader of Thunder Bay's jazz ensemble Mood Indigo. I am well known and respected politically, locally, provincially and federally.

In every leadership position I have held for over 31 years I have brought about change, revitalization and new initiatives.

My leadership has been rated annually by my superiors as having leadership skills that exceeded all levels. For my leadership accomplishments, I was awarded the ISAF Star, Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal, Army Medal of Distinguished Service, and numerous Commander's Coins.

I am passionate about life in Neebing and using all of my education and experience to enhance the quality of life for all Neebing residents. I will devote the necessary time to fulfill my limitless passion to be the Mayor of Neebing and provide exemplary leadership to our community, the place my family and I call home. It is for this reason that I am seeking the position of Mayor. I see Neebing as a community deserving of change, and I feel that with my qualifications, experience, and passion for this community, I would be the best candidate for Mayor of Neebing, at all times placing NEEBING FIRST!

The vision I have is: "Neebing First - Together For a Strong and Healthy Future!"

As the Mayor of Neebing, I will facilitate the provision of our own health care system that addresses acute and chronic care, retirement, and medical transportation, with additional support to our existing, robust and available first response team.

I will facilitate the creation of safe roads throughout the municipality, enhance waste disposal strategies, negotiate for the universal availability of modern cost-efficient utilities such as broadband, and revitalize outdoor recreational resources, all permitting the municipality to be one of economic growth and development.

As your Mayor, I will stand firmly on the grounds of trust, dedication, dependability, loyalty, commitment, and fair, open, transparent communication. In all that I do, and in all collaborations with our partners, I am committed to the principles of Diversity and Inclusion.

"My promise is to tirelessly work with every member of our community to ensure NEEBING FIRST for a strong and healthy future. Our home, our future!"

COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES

JILL CADIEUX

I am running for Councillor at large

My family has lived in Neebing since 2012

I love Neebing for it's beauty. The trees, the lakes, the parks. Neebing has a great sense of community.

I am a business owner and I feel I bring a business perspective to the table. My business started small and had grown over the years and I feel I can help grow Neebing into an extraordinary community

I would like to see the transportation infrastructure improved. Local bylaws and enforcement issues I feel need to be addressed across the community and handled properly. I would also like to see new businesses come into Neebing and I would like to work on ways to encourage new businesses to join our community while continuing to support the established business in our community.

My family has lived in Neebing for 10 years now. We sold our house at West Oliver lake because we wanted to have some property and be closer to town. I was sad to be leaving Neebing, we loved the area. When we had the opportunity to purchase a home in the municipality, we jumped on it. Now that we are back in the area, I knew I wanted to run for a council position because I want to be a part of some change in our community. I have sat on deputation for different issues I felt were important and I would like to see some change and opportunities for the Neebing community. I look forward to meeting all Neebing residents and being a bigger part of the Neebing community.

GORDON CUTHBERTSON

I am running for re-election to the Neebing Council as Councillor at Large.

My wife, Linda, and I have lived in the Municipality of Neebing for over 30 years. We built our own home in a great community of neighbours. Rural living is our way to relax and enjoy life. I originally ran for Council 4 years ago to give back to Neebing for all the enjoyment we have benefited from being residents.

I am a Registered Professional Engineer in the Province of Ontario. I formally worked at the City of Thunder Bay as Manager of the Planning and Building Department and Chief Building Official.

I was also the Chief Building Official for Neebing after moving to the municipality.

One of my main objectives is to complete the new Official Plan that unfortunately has been delayed due to Covid . This will finally give Neebing Council the ability to accept the first 200 applications over the life of the Official Plan to create new buildable lots that meet the approved size of a lot as per the Zoning By-Law. Neebing will be able to grow with attainable residential building lots.

The new Official Plan will also give Council the ability, through the Ontario Building Code to demolish structurally unsafe abandoned buildings. A tool we do not presently have.

Neebing needs a facility to house a Fire Code approved wash facility for our great volunteer fire fighters and a wash bay for our fire trucks. I am on a committee with the Fire Chief to prepare a preliminary design for costing and to submit a grant application to secure funding for this needed facility.

I am working, along with the current Mayor, and the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks, to have the current Pigeon River Tourist Building renovated to allow the facility to be open year-round. Also, to re-establish the Provincial Park at Pigeon River to encourage tourism.

Health Care is important to Neebing residence. NorWest Community Health Centres has closed their clinic in Neebing and are they are asking residents to travel to Kakabeka. This is not acceptable to Neebing residents. I will be working hard to find a replacement for this service. The upcoming Municipal election is very important to the growth of Neebing. I urge all eligible voters to vote on October 24, 2022 and I am asking for your vote so I can continue working for you.

Neebing has a local weather station that reports the current temperature, wind speed and direction, humidity, rainfall amounts and barometric pressure. Click on the station name to access information.

Station Name: East Oliver Lake
Station location: 125 East Oliver Lake Road

COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES

OBIE EGBUCHULAM

I am running for Councillor in Crooks township.

We have lived here for just about 5 years. What I love best about the area is the serene beauty; driving through Slate River valley and seeing the Norwesters every day on my way to work is so beautiful. I also enjoy living close to Jarvis Bay beach, the hiking trails at Little Trout Bay and the natural habitats with the wildlife. Neebing is a community where neighbours look after each other. I have loved getting to know the people here, newcomers and lifelong residents.

I work part-time with and advise our local MP. I have learned a lot about how the federal government can support communities. I will bring that knowledge with me to this position. Secondly, I am finishing a Master's degree in organizational leadership. I am learning a lot from the program about being an effective leader, working collaboratively with stakeholders and listening to the needs of the people I serve. I have also worked with non-profit organizations in Thunder Bay, including organizations that provide services to families and seniors. I have a Post Graduate Certification in Management and have worked as a marketer and fundraiser. In these positions, I have had to work with levels of government to get projects funded and meet the complex needs of some of my clients. Important too is that I have lived in/worked/experienced other countries and major cities around the world. I will bring all my experience and education to my role as councillor.

My vision is for a thriving Neebing with its natural habitats! I see a lot of potential and opportunities to tap into the tourism traffic flowing through Neebing on Hwy 61. One reason we purchased our property on the Hwy is the great potential for economic development due to the traffic flow to and from the US. I want to hear from the citizens of Crook Township and Neebing their thoughts on ways to attract new ventures and support the ones existing already. On another note, I have a young daughter, and one of the things I have noticed about Neebing is that it has very little in terms of recreation. For example, a few days ago, someone in the Neebing Forum posted a message asking if there was a basketball court anywhere in the municipality that was readily available for public use. Sadly, the answer to the question was a firm "No." I have good ideas to improve the quality of life for families living here in Crooks Township/ Neebing. I want to discuss these ideas and get more input from the residents because ideas work better and are easier to achieve when stakeholders have input and buy-in!

The one thing that I would tell residents of Crooks is that if you vote for me, you will be voting for someone who really cares about this community and wants to improve our township in ways that would benefit everyone living here. I am a responsive listener and want people to know that I will listen to their concerns and ideas when they contact me. I will hold regular information/ update sessions with constituents. I will be your steady voice and represent your interests at the council meetings. I am offering a choice to the citizens of Crooks township to have more say and be more involved in governing their local affairs.

KATHERINE HILL

I am running for Blake Councillor

I have lived in Neebing for 35 years. What I enjoy best about Neebing is the sense of community, reliability of a great neighbour and the love of nature. I greatly enjoy the outdoors and there are various hiking trails for any skill level, parks and boat launches to really get to any destination.

I have sat on various committees within the municipality. Previously on the Committee of adjustment, and now the Recreation Committee for 8 years. Being on those committees, I have dealt with conflict resolution, community voices, direct communication with office employees, roads crews and the Mayor and Council. I bring to the table community voice, direct communication, reliability, the ability to make decisions on issues that may sometimes be complex and controversial. My vision for the municipality of Neebing is to provide a variety of services and programs to the community in an efficient, cost effective and cooperative manner, through ease of access to maximum health care, community clinics, economic development, roads maintenance and safety. Not just for short term, but for the future. I believe that our municipality is a proud, proactive, and team committed community. I am committed to helping bring all this and more to the people of Neebing through hard work, government channels and community voices.

My desire to be a candidate comes forth from honestly wanting change, community voices being heard and economic development within our community. What better than having small business' thrive within our community, and accessing community health and programs at our finger tips.

Good luck to all candidates

GARY SHCHEPANIK

Councillor for Blake

I've been at Sturgeon Bay for 50+years 25yrs as a cottage owner (family cottage)

- Councillor in the city of Thunder Bay-Neebing ward
- 20yrs as the Chief union rep for Northwestern Ontario with Ontario

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- 10yrs on the executive board of the Power Workers Union dealing with all
- of Ontario
- Extensive experience in Team building and negotiating

Objectives - help create a cohesive council to deal with our future challenges while staying within our financial means

Being retired I have the time to fully commit to the challenges at hand for our municipality.

RON WOIT

Councillor for the Township of Blake

We have just become permanent residents in 2020, but have owned our home on the lake for over 25 years.

We enjoy the proximity to Lake Superior (fishing, boating, sailing) and the City of Thunder Bay as I still work part-time as a Pharmacist.

I was born and raised in Thunder Bay. I started my career as a Pharmacist at the Port Arthur General Hospital, then on to owning/managing two Shoppers Drug Marts and finally opening my own successful pharmacy business in 1992 selling in 2013. I have extensive knowledge in business, banking, decision making and customer service. I have also served on the Board of Hospice Northwest and have been recognized by ithe Order of St. Lazarus Canada for my work in Palliative Care. I am also a member and served on the Board of the Ontario Pharmacist Association .

I would like to continue the direction the present Council is taking, basically ensuring protocols are followed regarding building and development in Neebing. Expanding our tax base is a priority, not increasing taxes.

Building on the successes of the past, learning from our mistakes and to continue to move forward.

BRIAN WRIGHT

I am running for Councillor in "Crooks Township" in the Municipality of Neebing.

I have lived in Neebing for over 25 years.

I enjoy nature & the outdoors. Our geographic scenery is second to none! I love the feel (sense) of the community & community involvement.

I just ended 2 terms of Council, including 4 years as Deputy Mayor & have an extensive knowledge of the workings of Municipal Government. I have maintained a working relationship with local MPPs & MPs. I have worked on various committees such as Waste Management, Health & Safety, & have been appointed to the newly formed O.P.P. Police Services Board. I was an Auxiliary Officer with the O.P.P. for many years. I retired from Agriculture Canada as an Inspection Supervisor.

I have completed various management courses in Business Administration, & participated in hiring processes by sitting on Rating Boards for new people as well as competitions for higher positions.

Most of all, I enjoy helping people-recently, by being a volunteer driver for rural people for the Red Cross, & the Cancer Society-those individuals who, have trouble obtaining transportation to & from their medical appointments.

I would continue to improve our roads, & restart chipsealing as needed & warranted. I would like to keep property taxes as low as possible. I would continue to lobby for Government money to sponsor needed projects. I would like to see a Medical Clinic & Seniors' Residence built.

We need to complete the expansion of our 2 landfill sites. We need to improve our parks & boat launches. Promote tourism & related businesses. Help our existing businesses in any way possible.

Continue to work with First Nations on projects that are of interest & benefit to everyone.

I am motivated & prepared!

I have demonstrated my ability to serve the people of Crooks, & the Municipality during the last 2 terms of Council, but there is more work to be done!

The goals as stated above & more, can be accomplished!



Be Safe, Be Well, and Be Kind

Respectfully submitted: Joy Harris, President NFRA



Proceeds from our Penny Auction and the Firewood Raffle have purchased a new tool for Neebing Emergency Services!

Chief Dale reports: 'The new Jaws of life ehydraulic tool has arrived – it is battery powered and can be used as both a spreader or a cutter for extricating patients from car accidents, and is being placed in service.'





Here the tool is shown in the spread and closed (around a pop can, how apropos! (2)).

You made this purchase possible! Thank you!

At NFRA, September means the resumption of regular monthly meeting after a summer hiatus. While we haven't held meetings we haven't been standing still either!

Our thanks go to our Neebing residents who donate their beer cans and bottles, liquor bottles, pop cans and metal. We <u>so</u> appreciate you placing your beer and liquor bottles into the **sheds** at both landfill sites and your willingness to donate though us to NES by placing your **returnable beer cans** in our collection bins, along with your aluminum cans and metal!

NFRA members and new volunteers have held **four** Can Sort mornings since June. We always welcome new volunteers, join us! email us at <u>nfraevents@gmail.com</u> and we'll let you know when the next sort or event is happening. The extra hands certainly make the work go quickly!





I hope you were able to join NFRA and NES at the Little Trout Day by the Bay hosted by the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority on Saturday August 27th! NRFA hosted a fundraiser BBQ at the event!

.... We've heard from a reliable source about a new-to-Neebing fire truck that may be on the way here to replace a smaller aged-out one. Your donation will help outfit it with the latest gear, making NES responses that much more efficient! Think about donating to make a difference in your community.

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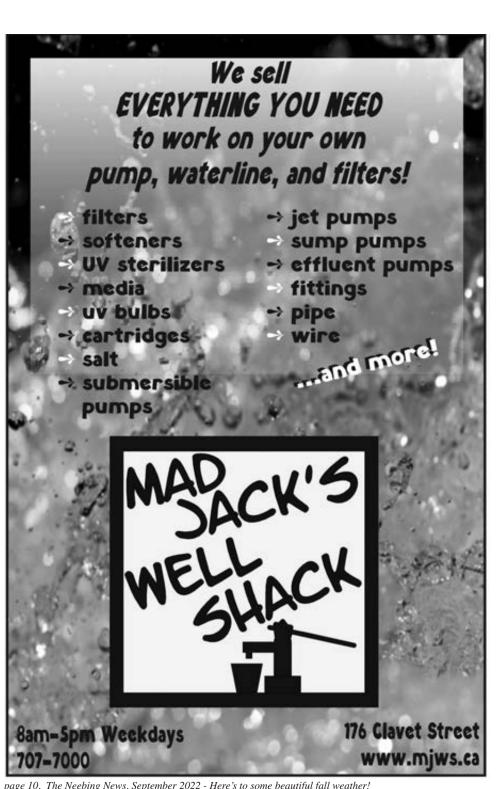
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Watercolour painting will resume on Thursday September 8th from 1pm to 3pm running for 8 weeks.

Thursday Yoga starts on September 22nd from 10am to 11am running for 10 weeks.

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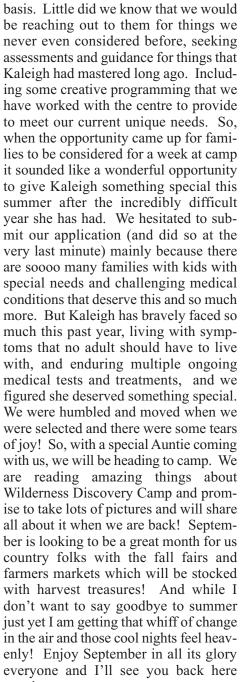
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Chix in the Stix Be Back Soon!

Hello! This is just me here to tell you that I won't be here in my usual spot this month. To say there is a whole lot going on in our personal lives right now would be an understatement. Some of it good! Like the wonderful opportunity given to us by George Jeffrey Children's Centre Foundation, thanks to the generosity of the Thunder Bay Kinsman, to take our daughter Kaleigh to Wilderness Discovery Camp in Shebandowan for a week. As some of you may know, Kaleigh has Down syndrome, and spring 2021 she became very ill. She has a diagnosis of Down Syndrome Regression Disorder caused by Autoimmune Encephalitis. This is a rare condition and one that is only now being seen and understood in medical circles, it has been a long hard year of research and seeking treatment options and we still have a long road ahead. Kaleigh has been a client of George Jeffrey Children's Centre since she was an infant and now that she is 18, this will be her last year at the Centre. Kaleigh has continued to be exceptionally healthy throughout her life, as well as active, athletic and outgoing. She is the joy and spark in our lives, but this illness has left her a shell of her former self. This DSRD diagnosis is catastrophic for families as well and leaves caregivers with burn-out and PTSD. To say this has been the hardest year of our lives would NOT be an exaggeration. But thanks to family and friends who feed us and pray for us, visit us and are there when we need an ear to listen or shoulder to cry on, we are carrying on. And thanks to George Jeffrey Children's Centre. We had thought this last year at the Centre would find us breezing out the door as most of our needs at this point have been met on a consultative

basis. Little did we know that we would be reaching out to them for things we never even considered before, seeking assessments and guidance for things that to meet our current unique needs. So, when the opportunity came up for families to be considered for a week at camp it sounded like a wonderful opportunity to give Kaleigh something special this year she has had. We hesitated to submit our application (and did so at the very last minute) mainly because there are soooo many families with kids with special needs and challenging medical conditions that deserve this and so much much this past year, living with sympfigured she deserved something special. with us, we will be heading to camp. We Wilderness Discovery Camp and promise to take lots of pictures and will share all about it when we are back! September is looking to be a great month for us farmers markets which will be stocked with harvest treasures! And while I in the air and those cool nights feel heavenly! Enjoy September in all its glory everyone and I'll see you back here





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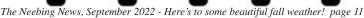














Pinegrove United Church is happy to announce Cafe del Soul is back in operation with a new look but the same good company and conversation!

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Then, Cafe is alternating lunch and coffee dates – lunch on the third Thursday of the month, coffee on the first Thursday.
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October 6 Coffee and Persians 10 – 11:30

October 20 Lunch 11:30 – 1:30

November 3 Coffee and Treats 10 - 11:30

November 17 Lunch 11:30 - 1:30

December 1 Coffee and Pastries 10 - 11:30

December 15 Lunch 11:30 – 1:30

Please come out and join us at Pinegrove United Church 100 – Hwy 130 and make note of the change in times!

Admission is free and all are welcome. For more information about Cafe del Soul, please visit www.pinegroveuc.org/cafe-del-soul/VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT CAFE!

Sounds of Superior Chorus

~ Casting Call! Submitted by Sharron Kershaw

Do you love to sing? Do you love glitz and glamour? Do you want to make new friends? Sounds of Superior Chorus invites you to our Casting Call Monday, September 12, 7 pm, Superior High School (333 N. High St.) Musical training is not necessary and with four part harmony there is a part to fit every woman's voice range.

During Covid we kept singing on Zoom each Monday keeping safe and keeping in touch. We also produced a virtual performance of Sing Sing Sing which can be viewed directly from our website at www.soundsofsuperiorchorus.com The chorus started in 1973 and became an official Sweet Adeline

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Chapter in August of 1974. We will be celebrating 50 years as a chorus in 2023

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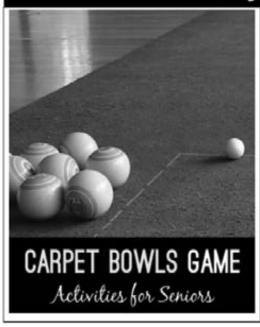
Our director, Jason Scriver, gives us his all every week, sharing his vast musical knowledge and vocal skills. His excitement for music never fails to inspire us all.

We perform in various venues and support other groups and their fundraising efforts efforts including Singing 4 Sharing, Breast Cancer Research, the RFDA, Shelter House, ALS Society and St. Joseph's Hogarth Riverview Manor's Music Therapy Program. We are excited to start the Decibelles Show Chorus, for girls age 10-17 to teach a cappella singing, vocal and performance skills. Moms who join Sounds of Superior Chorus will receive one free semester for their daughter in the Decibelles. Registration is September 12, 6 pm.

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The Rural Pharmacist:

Are Drug Shortages the 2022 Version of the Toilet Paper Debacle?

by Devon Myers, Pharmacist/Owner of Evergreen Pharmacies

As I began to receive phone calls at home from friends and family regarding the national shortage of liquid forms of acetaminophen and ibuprofen, I thought to myself: please don't let this become the 2022 version of the toilet paper fiasco that occurred at the onset of Covid-19. Does everyone remember that? People heard of a possible shortage which caused hysteria, and everyone proceeded to buy every roll of toilet paper they could get their hands on. This resulted in an expedited and likely worst situation than forecasters anticipated. At the time, had we only taken what we needed and refrained from excess everyone would have been better off.

Enter a statement made from SickKids Hospital in mid-August titled: Accessing acetaminophen and ibuprofen during the nation-wide shortage. In this article the author wrote "if your child requires the liquid form of acetaminophen or ibuprofen, they will now require a prescription". I do believe the intention of the article was meant to help patients and caregivers navigate a drug shortage but come on, talk about adding gasoline to a fire. Shortly after this article was released this information made its way to Facebook and other social media platforms. As expected, a surge in patients and caregivers began buying every bottle of over-the-counter medication that they could. Sound familiar?

The good news is that regular formulations of acetaminophen and ibuprofen are still available. For example, you can still purchase tablets, capsules, and chewable formulations without a prescription. Based off a patient's age and weight, a pharmacist can help decide an appropriate dose of medication. In addition, most formulations can be cut or crushed and added to yogurt or pudding for easier administration.

Are there liquid formulations of acetaminophen and ibuprofen available with a prescription? Yes. However, a surplus of prescriptions from across the country concentrated over the next few months will likely come with consequences. The supply could quickly dry up. It's a hard stance to take but I believe that the liquid formulations should be reserved for those who are reliant on them. For example, infants and toddlers who cannot chew or swallow tablets and who rely on concentrated liquid forms to reduce the sheer volume of medication.

Will liquid formulations ever be available again without a prescription? Yes. The current shortage will only be temporary. A very important thing to remember is that drug shortages are common. I would go as far to say that they have become extremely common since the onset of Covid-19. Like most other sectors, drug manufacturing is not immune to the forces affecting the global supply chain.

In summary, the current national shortage of liquid forms of acetaminophen and ibuprofen will be temporary. A prescription will not always be needed for these medications. Refraining from overstocking on home supplies will help ensure patients who need the medication have access. In most cases, other formulations can be used or adapted to suit the needs of individuals. If you have any questions or concerns about the current shortage, ask one of pharmacists who are happy to make sure you and your family get what you need!

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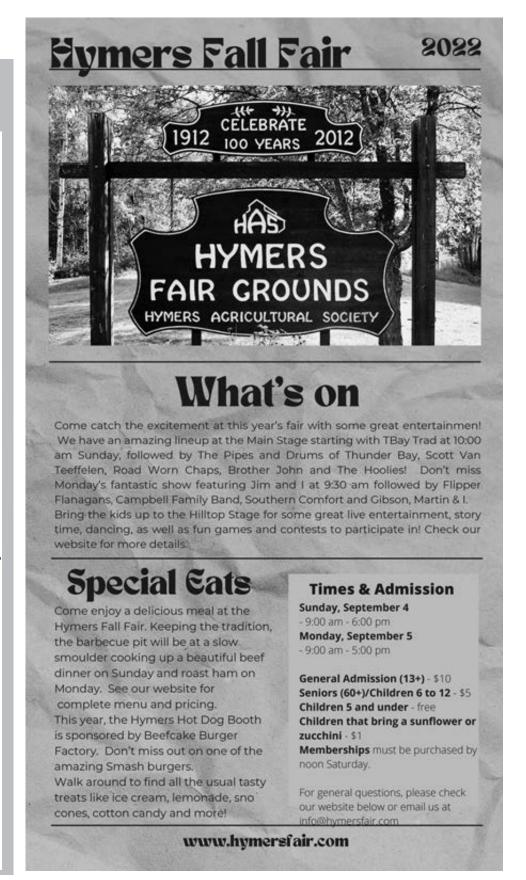
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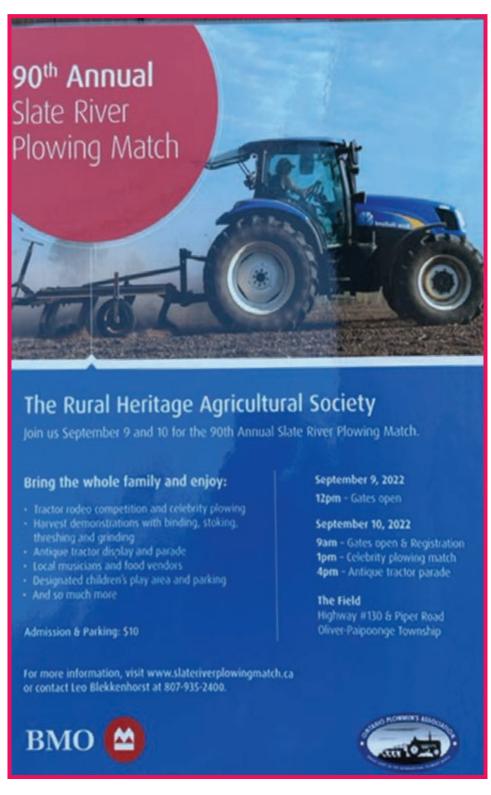
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