

# Thessalon

# NEWSLETTER

**May 31, 2019**

## **ONTARIO ELECTRICITY SUPPORT PROGRAM**

If you are a customer of an electricity utility, and in a lower-income home, you may qualify for \$35.00 to \$75.00 off your electricity bill every month. The Ontario Electricity Support Program (OESP) applies a credit directly to your electricity bill every month. Go to [OntarioElectricitySupport.ca](http://OntarioElectricitySupport.ca) or call 1-855-831-8151 (toll-free) or 1-800-855-1155 (TTY to TTY).

## **NEW WATER AND SEWER RATES EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019**

Council has approved an increase to the water and sewer rates effective June 1, 2019. The sewer rate will be increased from 32.61% to 42.61% of the bi-monthly water rate of \$92.00, increasing the bi-monthly amount from \$122.00 to \$131.20. The rural water rate has been increased from \$120.40 bi-monthly to \$130.52 bi-monthly. The metered accounts will see an increase from \$1.15 per cubic meter per month to \$1.20 per cubic meter per month, as well as an increase to the base rate charge from \$200.00 to \$300.00.

## **TAX E-BILLING**

We are now in the process of adding the option to have your tax bill e-mailed. Please contact MaryKaye Karhi at (705) 842-2217 for further details.

## **WATERING REGULATIONS**

Under By-law No. 1803, property owners with even numbered street addresses can water on even-numbered days of the week and those with odd-numbered addresses are able to water on odd-numbered days, during 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

## **SUMP PUMP**

Residents are reminded that sump pumps are not allowed to be pumping into the Town's sewer system. Lagoon levels are high and sump pumps that are pumping into the sewer system are a contributing factor.

## **PROPERTY STANDARDS BY-LAW**

Please keep your yards maintained in accordance with the Town of Thessalon Property Standards By-law 1592, as non-compliance will result in an Order to Remedy being issued to the property owner. Please help us keep our Town attractive. You can access the bylaw on our website at [Thessalon.ca](http://Thessalon.ca).

## **FIRE PERMITS**

Fire Permits are required effective April 1, 2019 for all outdoor burning. The cost of a one-month permit is \$5.00, or a seasonal permit (7-month) can be purchased for \$30.00. Permits are available at the Municipal Office at 187 Main Street.

## **STEWARDSHIP YOUTH RANGER PROGRAM**

A Team Lead has been secured for the Stewardship Youth Ranger Program. There are now 4 positions available for Stewardship Youth Rangers. A cover letter and resume along with the application form will be received at the Thessalon Municipal Office until 4:00 p.m. on June 6, 2019. A copy of the job description and requirements can be picked up at the Thessalon Municipal Office. The advertisement is also posted in the North Shore Sentinel, Job Connect, the Thessalon website [Thessalon.ca](http://Thessalon.ca) and the Thessalon Recreation Facebook page.

# Recreation

## **CANADA DAY CELEBRATION**

The Canada Day Celebration will take place on Monday, July 1, 2019 at the Thessalon Lakeside Park at 11:00 a.m. There will be children's entertainment, music, the Balloon Man and the Thessalon Lion's Club Barbeque.

## **RIVERBANK FISHING DERBY**

The Riverbank Fishing Derby is scheduled for Thursday, July 11, 2019 at Peace Park at 6:00 p.m.

## **POWER BOAT POKER RUN**

The Power Boat Poker Run is scheduled for Saturday, July 27, 2019 at the Thessalon Marina. The estimated arrival time is 1:00 p.m.

## **SUSTAINABLE ACTS OF GREEN COMMITTEE**

The Sustainable Acts of Green Committee (a new committee established by the Town of Thessalon) will be hosting an Eco-Wellness Fair at the Thessalon Arena on Saturday, July 27, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Please contact [kristen.thessalon@bellnet.ca](mailto:kristen.thessalon@bellnet.ca) for further information if you would like to participate.

## **KICK CAMP**

Kids Into Canoeing and Kayaking (KICK Camp) will run from Monday, July 29 to Friday, August 2, 2019 at Lakeside Park from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Please register at the Thessalon Municipal Office.

## **COMMUNITY DAY**

The Thessalon Community Days will be from Thursday, August 1 to Monday, August 5, 2019. The theme this year is Candy Land.

## **MAIN STREET VENDOR SALE**

The Main Street Vendor Sale will be held on Saturday, August 3, 2019. You can register your table at the Thessalon Municipal Office. The cost is \$20.00 or e-mail Kristen Lawrence at [kristen.thessalon@bellnet.ca](mailto:kristen.thessalon@bellnet.ca).

## **SWIM PROGRAM**

The Swim Program will be from Tuesday, August 6 to Friday, August 16, 2019. The swim program takes place at the John Rhodes Centre in Sault Ste. Marie. Bus times and schedule to be announced.

## **PEACE PARK SUMMER FEST**

The Peace Park Summer Fest is being held on Saturday, August 24, 2019. There will be a boat box derby, car show, music, voyageur canoes, rib fest (Thessalon Lion's Club), and a pie sale (Horticultural Society).