



Machin Messenger

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And surrounding area

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Municipal Notes

COUNCIL NEWS

The summer seems to be passing quickly as we are already heading into August; with that being said there are still a lot of fun summer activities planned in August and we hope to see lots of people attend them. As some residents may be aware, our digital speed signs have been put up in different locations of the Municipality. These speed signs will allow us to track the speeds of vehicles that pass that location and also use the numbers as an example of the amount of traffic that enters our community. The information collected is also going to be shared with policing officials at our monthly police board meetings; here we can show evidence of our concerns with speeding in the area.

Mayor and Council are pleased to say the deal with CP rail for the property on Spruce Ave. directly off Highway 17 is now officially closed and the Municipality owns it. In the past a large reason behind stalled development or missed opportunities was lack of developable land. With our recent property purchases we feel we are taking a step ahead; there is a lot of red tape that restricts our ability to move forward but it's unfortunately something we have to deal with and keep fighting.

Ely lake is a project we have been working on for the last 15 years and serves as a prime example of how red tape affects small municipalities like ourselves. With that being said, we have submitted an application to MNR based on our "Pilot Project" requirements. We now wait for comment from the Ministry and hope that our next steps are a public consultation to move this project forward. If you're curious about the report/application, please reach out to a staff member and they can provide you with the document.

Economic Development:

I will start off with bad news; we were declined in the round 2 of applications to the Ontario Trillium Foundation through the Resilient Communities Fund. The Municipality applied for funding to have weekly art and yoga classes through a two-year span. However, our previous approval through OTF to hire a Recreation Facilitator also included money for art and yoga classes but not as frequently as every week.

We have just applied again to the Ontario Trillium Foundation through the Capital Grant Fund for playground and fitness equipment at the Pine Tree Park. The proposed location of the equipment is on the vacant grass area across from the pavilion and by

the Water Treatment Plant. We were declined previously for this project due to the competitive number of applications submitted. I'd like to note that when applying for grants we don't focus directly on certain areas; our goal is to try and utilize the grant in the best possible way we can for the overall benefit of the Municipality.

Lastly, please feel free to reach out at any time with questions regarding current projects, their status, future suggestions, or help you may need. I can be reached at economicdevelopment@visitmachin.com or by phone at 905-932-3339.

Max Nagy, EDO

Recreation:

Well, it's been a great start to the new job! I'd like to thank everyone for the wonderful welcome, I truly love our little communities and I intend to keep you healthy, active, and entertained. July has been a productive month with chair yoga, art classes, baseball, and disco roller blading/skating at the arena. August will prove to be just as fun with the same programming as well as armchair travel and a few other ideas in the mix!

I'm open to suggestions and any ideas that you may have, please feel free to reach out to me at 807-227-2633.

Carman Brignall, Recreation Facilitator

Public Works:

We'd like to welcome Stefan Roussin and Wade Reinhold to our summer crew! With a full crew we've been able to catch up and continue to finish more jobs. The Municipality of Machin will no longer be accepting propane tanks and cylinders at the Eagle River and Vermilion Bay landfills. Trespassing continues to be an issue and the theft of the brass fittings on propane tanks has forced us to make this decision. Without their brass fittings, propane tanks cost \$6 each to be picked up plus the charge of delivery. Residents will have to seek other options in the area if they wish to dispose of their propane tanks or cylinders.

Municipal Election: The Municipality has received the following submissions for Mayor, Council, and the Public-School Board so far.

Mayor: Gord Griffiths, Garry Parkes

Council: Dennis Peterson, Ray Pilkey, Greg Swanson

Public School Board: Roger Griffiths

We'd like to remind residents that they have until August 19th at 2pm to apply for the above offices.

MESSENGER DEADLINE

Submissions for the Machin Messenger must now be in by the **LAST WEDNESDAY** of the month, by noon. Since the Messenger is published on the first Thursday of the month, the deadline will change if the 1st is on Thursday. We will put reminders in the month before. **The deadline for the September Messenger will be Wednesday August 24th.** Send your submissions to pilmar@sympatico.ca, subject line "Machin Messenger". Ads will need to be pre-paid prior to insertion in the Messenger.

Municipal Notes cont'd

Woman in the Workplace:

We'd like to take some time to highlight one of the many female workers in our area! Many of you already know Tracy Smegal as she has been a member of this community for over 40 years. Tracy and her parents first moved to the area in 1979 and purchased the Bayview Hotel & Bar in 1980. There have been many highlights for Tracy working at the Bayview; a lot of these highlights revolve around the wonderful people she's met and the friendships made in the last 40 years. Seeing guests come back each year as well as seeing the different generations of families in the area have been rewarding for her. Another one of highlights for Tracy has been the community involvement at the Bayview. The official clubhouse of the Kinsmen since 1960, the Bayview has hosted numerous community events and fundraisers, both public and private. There have been trials and challenges throughout the years but Tracy has adapted and kept moving on; being able to have a view of the lake is something that Tracy appreciates and loves. Thank you, Tracy, for taking the time to chat with us and for your involvement in the community the last 40 years!



MESSENGER ADS

If you wish to advertise in the Machin Messenger, please call the Municipal Offices at 227-2633 to find out the charge for your ad. Ads will need to be pre-paid.



For Bear Sightings call:
1-866-514-2327
only dial 911 if it is an absolute emergency.

****Remember****

Fires can only be ignited 2 hours before sunset, or later and must be extinguished 2 hours after sunrise, or earlier.

If it is windy, don't burn!



*Machin Mayor, Council and Staff
Hope everyone had a safe and fun day!*



Home Fire Prevention

Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Alarms

Install working smoke alarms on every story of the home and outside all sleeping areas. Install carbon monoxide alarms outside all sleeping areas, if home has a fuel burning appliance, fireplace or attached garage. It's the law.

Test smoke and carbon monoxide alarms once a month and change the alarm's batteries annually or whenever the low-battery warning sounds.

Always follow the manufacturer's instructions for installing, testing, maintaining and replacing your alarms.

Home Fire Escape Planning

- Develop a home fire escape plan and practice it with the entire household.
- Make sure everyone knows two ways out of each room, if possible.
- Determine who will be responsible for helping anyone that may need assistance when escaping.
- Choose a meeting place outside, where everyone can be accounted for.
- Call 911 from outside the home.
- Once out, stay out. Never re-enter a burning building.
- Keep all exits in the home clear and easy to use.
- **Cooking Fire Prevention** – Cooking is the #1 cause of home fires.
- Always stay in the kitchen while cooking. If you must leave, turn off the stove. Cooking left unattended is the cause of 52% of all cooking fires.
- Keep anything that burns – cooking utensils, dishcloths, paper towels, potholders, food packaging, etc., – a safe distance from the stove.
- Loose-fitting clothes can come into contact with stove burners and catch fire. Wear tight sleeves or roll them up when cooking.

Electrical Fire Prevention

- Check cords for damage such as fraying or nicks. A damaged cord can expose wires and result in a potential shock or fire hazard.
- Avoid running cords under rugs, which can damage the cord and cause a fire.
- Avoid overloading electrical outlets.
- Extension cords should be used only as a temporary connection. If permanent wiring is required, have additional outlets installed by a licensed electrician. Extension cords should not be linked together.
- Air conditioners and other heavy appliances should be plugged directly into an outlet.

Additional Fire Prevention

- Keep matches and lighters out of the sight and reach of children.
- Always blow out candles before leaving the room.
- If anyone in home smokes, smoke outside. Use large deep ashtrays and empty ashes into a metal container – not the garbage can.

Machin Volunteer Fire and First Response – Facebook or Instagram: @machinfire
email: machinfire@bellnet.ca or mail: PO Box 249, Vermilion Bay, ON P0V 2V0

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MACHIN

FILING OF NOMINATIONS 2022 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

This notice is for anyone proposing to be a candidate in the Municipal Election on October 24, 2022. Section 33(1) of the *Municipal Elections Act* provides that a person may be nominated for an office by filing a nomination with the Returning Officer in the Municipal Office in person or by an agent. The nomination form shall be in the prescribed Form 1 (Nomination Paper) available from the Clerk-Treasurer the nomination fee is to be paid in cash or certified cheque or money order; the fee is \$100.00 for Councilors and \$200.00 for Mayor. Facsimile signatures are not acceptable.

The nomination form may be filed at anytime during normal office hours (8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.) beginning May 2, 2022 up to and including Nomination Day, August 19, 2022, with a 2 p.m. deadline, for the following offices:

MAYOR (1 to be elected)

COUNCIL (4 to be elected)

PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD (1 to be elected)

Tammy Rob

Clerk-Treasurer and Returning Officer

Municipality of Machin

75 Spruce Avenue

Vermilion Bay, ON

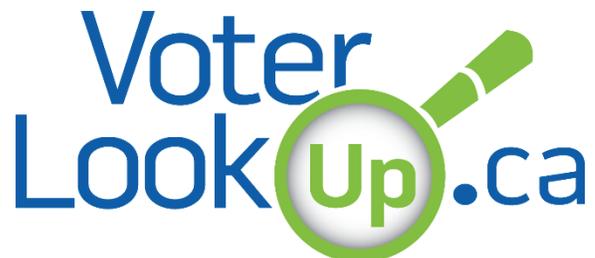
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Phone (807) 227-2633

Please check the Voter's List to make sure you are able to vote on October 24, 2022 at www.voterlookup.ca.



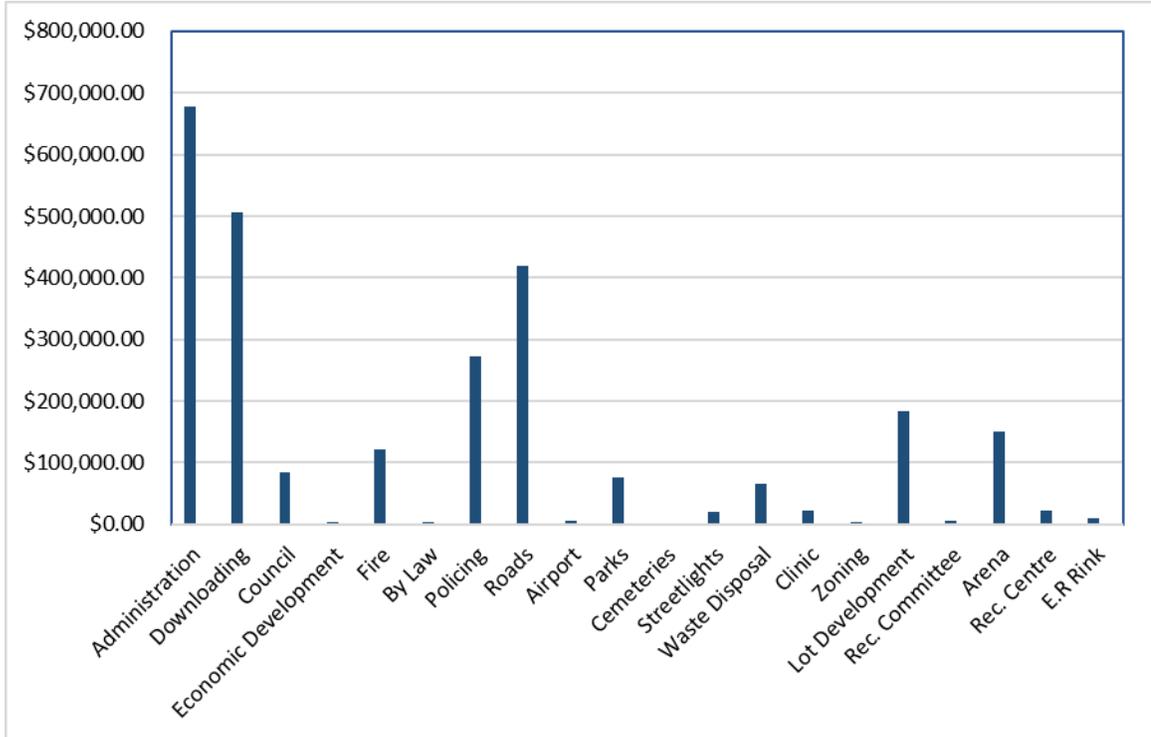
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Please check to make sure your name is on the Voters List
for the 2022 Municipal Election.

Where do your Tax Dollars Go?

2022 Municipality of Machin- Budget



Downloads – Government Downloads – Health Unit, Home for the Aged, Municipal Property Assessment Corporation and Kenora District Services Board.

Administration – includes costs for all departments – Audit, PSAB, and Service Agreements.

Please note that this is a net for each department. Showing where your tax dollars go!

Full Budget document is available for pick up at the Municipal Office.



Need a Ride to Dryden?

Try Out Our Seniors Bus.

This is a Door to Door Service – you do not have to worry about parking or walking. We drop you off right at the door of your medical appointment or essential shopping and return to pick you up.

The cost is \$10.00 per person to ride to and from Dryden on Tuesday or Thursday. Should you have mobility issues both getting on and off the bus or shopping and carrying your items, thanks to the Happy Go Lucky Seniors Club they have provided funding for an Assistant to ride on the bus to help with these issues. We welcome Gord Canan as the new assistant.

Please call the Municipal Office at 227-2633 to book your ride or if you have any questions.

You do not have to be a senior to use this service. Any adult can ride, however seniors do come first for this service.



Kin Korner

The Vermilion Bay Kinsmen and Kinettes had two Life Celebrations of members Colleen Canan and Governor Lori Miles last month. After Lori's celebration, a fish fry was held at Scott's house where he and Governor Bert Baxter had a few surprises that Governor Lori never got to present. First was a presentation to Gord Canan with his Maple Leaf of Distinction Award. Lastly was a presentation to Debbie Landry with her Life Member plaque and pin that wasn't presented at District Convention.



Vermilion Bay

Family

Fun Day & Pig Roast

Saturday August 20th

Lions Hall, Lillian Berg School & Machin Arena

- ✦ Pancake breakfast 9 am – 11 am
- ✦ BBQ Lunch by Machin Volunteer Fire & First Response Department
- ✦ Pig Roast Dinner 5 pm – 7 pm presold tickets
- ✦ Parade and opening ceremonies 11 am
- ✦ Games, Classic Car & Tractor Show
- ✦ Mini Quilt Show, Various Crafters & Vendors
- ✦ Sight for Kids
- ✦ OPP, MNR, Machin Fire Dept.
- ✦ Wagon decorating contest for ages 3-5
- ✦ Face Painting
- ✦ Pontoon Boat Parade of Lights (Contact Donna @ 705-529-9461)
- ✦ Petting zoo
- ✦ Dunk Tank
- ✦ Bazar games
- ✦ And various other activities



For more information Contact lionmarie@bell.net or [807-227-2960](tel:807-227-2960) or veronicaleray@gmail.com

This event is brought to you by Vermilion Bay Lions and the Municipality of Machin

Parade Event

Parade will start at the Machin Fire Hall, and follows the normal route
Saturday, August 20th 2022
Parade and opening ceremonies 11 am

We are looking for our youth to participate in our parade! We are seeking youth to enter a wagon, bike or small battery operated vehicle in our parade.

We are also seeking local businesses or organizations that would like to enter a float

To enter a child or a float please contact Sharon @ sharon.klassen@yahoo.ca

We look forward to your participation



Hello out there! The Happy Go Lucky Seniors are looking for more seniors to join our club.

We are planning some exciting programs starting with art classes, yoga classes, crib and mahjong.

Come join our club, meet more people, get out of the house, have fun, why not give it a try!

We look forward to hearing from you with any suggestions you may have to make our club better.

We welcome anyone 50 years or older.

- Vermilion Bay United Church -

New2U Garage Sale

September 10, 2022

Looking for clean, gently used working items that you want to donate to the VBUC Garage Sale!

Beginning August 22, we will be happy to receive your drop off donations in the foyer of the Church Mon-Fri.

We ask that larger items come in the week of the sale as our storage space is limited.

In optimistic anticipation, we thank you for kindly donating, keeping usable items in use and reducing the landfill overflow. Blessings in your giving.



Fun Night at the Disco Roller Skating/Blading Night

A big thank you to everyone who came out to our first Disco Roller Blading/Skating at the Woodland Arena on July 27th! The first night was a success as kids and adults had a lot of fun. **We will be running a roller skating/blading event every Thursday at the Woodland Arena for the month of August!**



For more information on recreational activities call Carman at 227-2633 ext. #31



Congratulations to Hale Fisheries for celebrating 50 years of service! On behalf of the Municipality, Mayor Griffiths gave Carl and Ralph Hale a plaque thanking them for their hard work and dedication to their craft and community.

What a great accomplishment!

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The Vermilion Bay Co-op would like to let the shoppers know the following monthly dates for 2022

STORE HOURS: 9 A.M.— 6 P. M.
MONDAY—SATURDAY
CLOSED SUNDAYS

Shareholder Days	Senior Days	Flyer Days
August 12	August 17	August 5—August 11
		August 19—August 25

a reminder that you can view the Co-op Flyers online at www.coopconnection.ca
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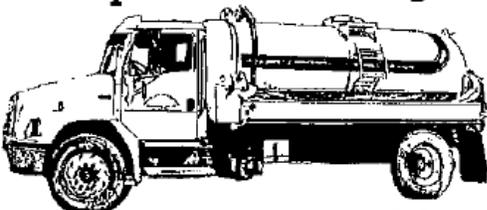
Jim's Electrical Services

Jim Welz
 807 323 1543 (cell)
 welzjim@gmail.com

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Northland Septic Service

Septic Tank Cleaning



Rusty Miller
 Phone: 807-937-6690

Comp 39, Site 316, RR#3
 Dryden, ON P8N 3G2



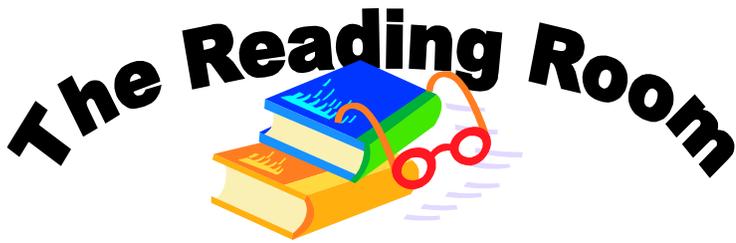
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COMPLETE RENOVATIONS



Reading Room Hours
Municipal Office business hours
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Machin Council Meeting: Monday August 8 immediately following the Public Works meeting, and Monday August 22, 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, Machin Municipal Office.

Public Works Meeting: Monday August 8 at 6:00 p.m., in Council Chambers in Machin Municipal Office

Revitalization Committee: TBA

Lions Club—First and third Wednesdays of every month, 7:00 p.m., Lion’s Hall.

Happy-Go-Lucky Seniors: No meeting scheduled for August.

TOPS—Now meeting Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. at the Woodland Arena (in the warm room).

AA - 7:00 p.m. Tuesdays and Sundays at the Evangelical Mission Church, 55 Willow St., Vermilion Bay. Social distancing rules apply.

AL-Anon Family Group: Every Thursday 7:00 p.m., at St. Mark Lutheran Church. For more info call Darlene @938-7061.

Kinettes—The first **WEDNESDAY** of each month, 7:00 p.m. in the Bayview meeting room.

Seniors Friendship Club of Eagle River—Second Wednesday of each Month.

Police Services Board—TBA

Waldhof Wranglers—Contact Joanne Graham at 807-323 2797 or check out the Waldhof Wranglers Facebook page.

SUMMER HOURS
WASTE DISPOSAL SITES
Effective May 1, 2022

	TUESDAY	THURSDAY	SATURDAY
VERMILION BAY			
EAGLE RIVER	9 a.m. - 1 p.m.	2 p.m. - 6 p.m.	2 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Contact Information for Mayor & Council

Mayor:
 Gord Griffiths 227-2074, 221-8717 cell

Deputy Mayor:
 Ron Kujansuu 216-6888 cell

Councillor:
 Dennis Peterson 220-1558 cell

Councillor:
 Garry Parkes 227-2895, 529-4363 cell

Councillor:
 Ray Pilkey 755-1701, 220-1502 cell

Building Permit Applications and general inquiries are available at the Machin Office. Any questions on building, please call the Chief Building Office, Shawna Alberts at (807)-216-8285 or the Municipal Office at 227-2633.

Area Church Services



Our Lady of Fatima
 Roman Catholic Church
 Hwy 17 Vermilion Bay
 Sunday Mass : Friday at 5:30 p.m.

Vermilion Bay United Church
 97 Spruce Street
 Vermilion Bay
 Worship Services:
 Easter to the end of September
 Wednesdays 7:00 p.m.

Eagle River (Ebenezer) Baptist Church
 Services at First Baptist Church
 58 King Street, Dryden, Ontario
 Morning Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.

St. Mark Lutheran Church
 Hwy 17 Vermilion Bay
 Services: Sundays 11:30 a.m.

Evangelical Mission Church
 55 Willow Street, Vermilion Bay
 Services: Sundays 11:00 a.m.
 Sunday School—10:00 a.m.

Upper Falls Baptist Church
 Hwy 105 North
 Worship: Sundays 11:00 a.m.
 Sunday School/Bible Study:
 10:00 a.m. (all ages)

Copies of the water systems monthly summary, annual reports and the financial plan are available for viewing at the Municipal Office if any of the general public would like to review them. Also available at the Municipal Office the public may access the Water Quality System Policy for the Vermilion Bay water treatment plant and distribution system which forms part of the Operational Plan. Should anyone have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact Shawna Alberts at 227-2064.