

Seguin Township Community Newsletter

July 2026

CAO Message

Summer is in full swing in Seguin Township, and I hope you are enjoying the very best of the season in the natural place to be.

The first half of 2026 has been a busy one at the municipal office. As we approach the end of the 2022–2026 term of Council, I am proud of our team's hard work and commitment to advancing several key strategic priorities, including the modernization of waste management, the development of a Parks and Recreation Master Plan, enhanced engagement with youth and seniors, and the near completion of the Official Plan. With a municipal election on the horizon this fall, we encourage residents to visit registertovoteon.ca to ensure their information is up to date in the Elections Ontario database.



You can read more in the following pages about recent changes and why this year's election process is different from past elections.

Thank you for your ongoing interest in, and commitment to, life in Seguin Township. On behalf of staff, I hope you savour the remaining weeks of this spectacular summer with your friends and family.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'J Inwood'.

Jason Inwood, CAO, Seguin Township



Important Election Information

The Municipal Election is Coming Up on October 26, 2026

While that may seem like a long time from now, you must check that you are in the database for the voters list to ensure you are properly registered. We recommend that all eligible voters do this before **July 31, 2026**.

Please Note

- If you voted in the last municipal or provincial election, that does not mean you are set to vote in this one.
- MPAC is no longer managing data for the voters list. Voter details are now managed through the Elections Ontario database.
- Your property in Seguin must be in the Elections Ontario database, and your personal information must be assigned to that property to vote in the Seguin municipal election.
- Voters are reminded they should be registered with Elections Ontario not only for the municipality where their primary residence is located, but also properties they own in other municipalities that are not their primary residence.

How to Check, Update, Add, or Remove Your Information in the Database

Elections Ontario database website: registertovoteon.ca

Elections Ontario Database toll-free number: 1-866-242-3025

Questions and More Information

Contact Seguin Clerk's Department by calling 705-732-4300 or emailing info@seguin.ca.



**Get on the
voters list today.**

RegisterToVoteON.ca
1.866.242.3025



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Year-round Ice Pilot Program



Thank you to our many Humphrey Arena users who participated in our 2026 Spring Ice Pilot Program. The Township will consider several factors when evaluating the program's success, including user feedback. If you participated in the spring ice program and did not receive an invitation to complete our survey, please email info@seguin.ca.

Wildfire Season: Stay Alert!



Wildfire season is here. Please watch our [website](#), digital signs, and social media channels for updates on changing conditions throughout the summer months.

Please familiarize yourself with what is permitted and what is not allowed at each rating level.

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Monitoring Lake Health



Our water quality team is having another productive season with spring sampling complete and benthic monitoring nearly complete. At the July 6 Meeting of Council, staff shared 2025 findings from Hutchison Environmental that evaluated indicators like phosphorus, dissolved organic carbon, water temperature profiles and other factors.

Last year, 61 sites were tested across 58 lakes. Overall, data trends did not change significantly for any lake, either positively or negatively, suggesting stable lake health.

Read the full findings at seguin.ca/environment-and-climate.

Protecting Seguin's Night Sky

Thank you to everyone who shared insights and feedback on the draft Dark Sky By-law. Council adopted the final version of the by-law at the June 1 Meeting of Council. The by-law will be implemented after final approvals from the Ministry of the Attorney General.

[Read the adopted by-law in the Council agenda package.](#)

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Waste Management Enhancements

As the Township continues to modernize and enhance waste management, staff has introduced increased surveillance at transfer sites to help deter illegal dumping.

We remind residents to be patient when bins are full; please use the supplemental bins provided rather than leaving waste outside the bins. Also, construction debris, shingles, boats and hazardous waste are not accepted at the transfer sites.



To help keep transfer stations tidy and provide service excellence, waste disposal at the Seguin Landfill is free for Seguin Township residents through September 13 during regular hours (8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.). Seguin Township residents can dispose of bulky items, including furniture, mattresses, brush, tires, boat shrink wrap, electronics, and appliances during this time. Proof of residency is required.

Planning the Future of Parks, Recreation, and Culture in Seguin



Representatives from Thinc Design and Mehak, Kelly & Associates presented the final draft of the Seguin Township Parks, Recreation, and Culture Master Plan at the June 15 Meeting of Council. The Plan provides short-, medium-, and long-term recommendations for parks, sport facilities, trails, indoor recreation, and culture facilities, and water access points over the next 10 years to 2036.

Visit the letsconnectseguin.ca project page for more information. The plan will be presented for adoption at the July 20 Meeting of Council.

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Tamarack North Centre: Summer Update



The final phases of construction at the Tamarack North Centre are nearing completion and the building is on schedule to open this fall.

Community support for the project was on full display at the last major fundraising event — the Sneak Peek Hard Hat Party — held May 23 at the facility. The event raised approximately \$50,000 through ticket sales, a live auction, and merchandise sales.

“The event showcased our community’s enthusiasm for the centre,” said fundraising chair Ann MacDiarmid, who helped organize the event alongside Libby Walker. “The evening was a terrific celebration of how far we have come in making the dream of having a pool in West Parry Sound a reality.” The project team extends its sincere gratitude to everyone who attended and supported the event.

More details about the grand opening, public open house, and early bird membership specials will be shared by YMCA Parry Sound and letsmakeasplash.ca in the coming weeks.

The community is encouraged to follow YMCA Parry Sound on social media and visit the YMCA website for updates.

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Official Plan

Seguin staff will present the final draft of the Township's Official Plan for adoption at the July 20 Meeting of Council. Thank you to all who provided feedback and participated in public engagement exercises over the last several years to get to this stage.

Read more about the process on the project's letsconnectseguin.ca page.



Rosseau Memorial Hall Update



Rendering: ERA Architects

The Rosseau Memorial Hall Revival Project continues to make progress. After extensive community consultation and collaboration with ERA Architects, the final renderings have been presented to Council.

Volunteer fundraisers are hard at work to support the project. Watch the team's social media and the Township's social media channels for upcoming events and initiatives. [Supporters can also donate directly to the project online.](#)

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Celebrating Student Success



Schulich Builders Award recipient, Parry Sound High School graduate, and Seguin resident Paige West stopped by the Township office on July 10 to receive a congratulatory certificate from Mayor Ann MacDiarmid and CAO Jason Inwood recognizing her award and her pursuit of post-secondary education in the skilled trades.

Paige is the first Parry Sound High School student to ever receive this prestigious award. This \$40,000 award is intended to help address the shortage of skilled trades in Ontario and highlight their importance and value to our communities. Award winners are identified and nominated within their schools as responsible, hardworking, and dedicated individuals with strong work ethic and character. Paige certainly fits the bill.

She will be attending Cambrian College in Sudbury this fall to study in the Electrical Engineering Technician Program.

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Family Fun Night Celebrations!

Hundreds of community members came out for Family Fun Night on June 19 – Seguin Township's annual celebration of the start of summer.

The free event was held at the Rosseau Waterfront and featured bouncy castles, a BBQ, a cash bar, live music, games, and lots of socializing!

Thank you to everyone who attended!



Seniors Engagement

There were several events and initiatives across the Township during Seniors Month (June in Ontario), including a special collaboration between Seguin Public Libraries and Community Support Services, called "Stronger Together."

This program helped to enhance access to programs, share knowledge and reduce social isolation.



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Support the Library



The Friends of Seguin Public Libraries is hosting their annual Book, Bake, and Yard Sale fundraiser August 8 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Humphrey Gazebo. They are currently accepting donations.

Please note:

- All items should be clean and in good condition.
- The volunteers cannot accept large furniture, computers, mattresses, cribs, car seats, clothing, or shoes.



Drop off your donations at the Humphrey Branch until August 7 during regular hours.

Summer Swim in Seguin

Seguin's Swim Program is having another busy season at our beaches. We remind participants that Seguin Township swim lessons at the Rosseau Waterfront and Foley Matheson Beach will continue as scheduled unless thunderstorms are in the forecast or the air quality is poor.

We want our swimmers to enjoy their lessons and understand that each family will decide what feels most comfortable.

Watch our social media channels and your email for scheduling changes.



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Youth Engagement: Public Works Appreciation Week

In the months before school wrapped up, Seguin Township offered several initiatives aligned with our Youth Engagement Plan.



The Township hosted a hands-on morning of learning to celebrate Public Works Awareness Week. On May 21, Humphrey School students from kindergarten to Grade 8 visited the Township to meet staff, play games, and see large equipment up close.

Youth Engagement: Pride Week



Seguin staff, members of Council, and students from Humphrey Public School gathered on June 1 to raise the Pride flag at the Township Municipal Office, recognizing the start of Pride Month. A student representative addressed the group about the significance of the gesture in helping create an environment that supports everyone. Mayor Ann MacDiarmid emphasized the importance of creating a culture that is welcoming and inclusive for all, whether you work for the Township, live in the Township, or are visiting our community.

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Youth Engagement: Dance

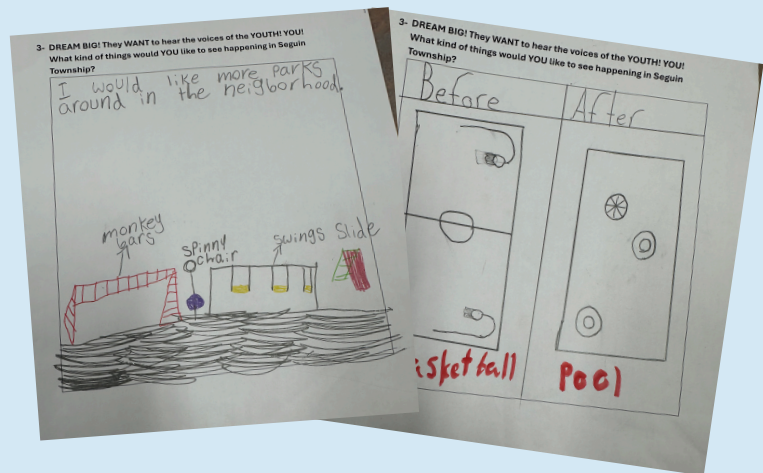
Seguin Township partnered with the Recreation and Culture Committee to host a youth dance on Friday, June 5 at Humphrey Community Centre. The event featured a live DJ, snacks, and games.

Thank you to the volunteers and businesses who made the event possible.



Youth Engagement: Class Visit

The Township welcomed the grade 5/6 class from Humphrey School to the Municipal Office on Wednesday, June 17. Students received a short tour of the offices, met the Mayor, members of Council, and staff. They brought questions about municipal projects and shared their ideas about services, capping the day off with a skate at Humphrey Arena, as part of their end-of-year studies.



2016 Rosseau Classic Cruise

The Rosseau Classic Cruise Car Show returns to the waterfront on August 1 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The event welcomes guests of all ages. Proceeds will be donated to the West Parry Sound Health Care Equipment Fund and community projects. [Visit their Facebook page for details.](#)





Questions & Comments
We'd love to hear from you!

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