

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!
from the Board of the Bluewater Dunes Ratepayers Association

McMahan Wood OMB appeal

The Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) has sent out notices to all who left their addresses for notification at the August 30th 2010 Public Planning Meeting of the Township of Tiny. The prehearing date has been set for December 13th, 2011 at 10:30 AM in the Tiny Council Chambers located on Balm Beach Road. The prehearing conference is open to the public. If possible, please attend.

For those of you not aware of the appeal, after McMahan Woods Development Ltd was turned down by Tiny Council on May the 30th 2011, an appeal was filed with the OMB by McMahan Woods against Simcoe County and the Council of Tiny. Your Association, BGW as well as FOTTSA will be represented at the appeal. Furthermore we will keep you informed on future developments.

New Tiny Township False Alarm by-law

In view of the number of false alarms attended to by the Southern Georgian OPP Detachment each year, the Township of Tiny has recently enacted a by-law to establish a False Alarm Policy effective January 1, 2012.

False alarms will be assessed in the following manner:

- First False Alarm – No charge.
- Second False Alarm – No charge. A warning notice shall be sent.
- Third and All Subsequent False Alarms – \$200.00 for each false alarm occurrence within an alarm response year (January 1st to December 31st).

To view By-law 11-044 (False Alarm Policy), please visit the By-law Section of the Township of Tiny website.

Recent Boardwalk issue

On Nov. 10, 2011 public works of Tiny Township notified our community that the boardwalk entrance on Nicole Blvd. adjacent to the pump house was to be closed during the winter months to manage risk. Your association & committee members immediately contacted Tiny Council to address this restrictive measure. We are happy to inform you that with Tiny Council's cooperation the boardwalk will remain open. In addition public works will attempt to keep access to the boardwalk clear of snow.

Please note: Boardwalk usage will be at your own risk. Ensure usage of proper footwear and avoidance of boardwalk in adverse conditions

Bird Die-Off On Our Shoreline

The Ministry of Natural Resources has confirmed that Type E Botulism killed the thousands of birds found on Georgian Bay throughout September and into early November. Ministry staff had picked up between 1,000 and 2,000 dead birds stretching from Allenwood Beach to Christian Island.

It is reported that such deaths are common in the fall depending on water temperature and waves. A decade ago, some 25,000 birds died from eating botulism-laced fish in Lake Erie. Though botulism is destroyed by cooking and is not a threat to humans, please be reminded to obey our by-law and not let your dogs run loose on the beach as they might eat a carcass and potentially become sick.

Links of interest: Tiny Township www.township.tiny.on.ca
Simcoe County www.simcoe.ca,

Tiny garbage and recycling:

<http://www.township.tiny.on.ca/residents/GARBAGERECYCLING/Gbgerecymainpage>