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Free Food Giveaway Feeds Hundreds





By Rosalind Russell - It is estimated that over 1,800 people received free food as part of a massive food giveaway organized through Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing MP Carol Hughes and the Massey Agricultural Society as well as other partners.

Hughes said on Saturday, December 20, four transports arrived in the early morning to set up distribution stations

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING Concerning Applications for Consent

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers will hold a public meeting on **Wednesday**, **January 13, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.**, at the Massey and District Community Centre & Arena, 455 Government Road, Massey in order to consider proposed applications for Consent under Section 53 of the Planning Act, RSO 1990 as amended.

Consent File No. C-21-01

The purpose of this consent application is to provide for a new lot in the Rural zone. The effect will sever an existing parcel of land from adjacent parcels in the same ownership. The severed property is described as Salter Township, Section 32, Parcel 6692, and the retained is Salter Township, Section 31, Parcels 2307, 2578 and 2607 at 996 Highway 17.

The lands subject of this application is not subject of any other Planning Act application.

Consent File No. C-21-02

The purpose of this consent application is to provide for a new lot in the General Residential zone. The effect will sever an existing parcel of land from adjacent parcels in the same ownership. The severed property is described as Salter Township, Section 25, Parcel 19-1, Plan D-263 Unit 19, and the retained is Salter Township, Section 25, Parcels 17, 18 Plan D-263 Units 17, 18 at 130-140 River Street, Massey.

The lands subject of this application is not subject of any other Planning Act application.

TAKE NOTICE that if you wish to be notified of the decision of the Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers on the proposed application, you must make a written request to the Clerk of the Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers. To appeal the decision to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal, send an appeal form to the Clerk of the Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers outlining the reasons for the appeal. You must enclose the applicable appeal fee for each application appealed, paid by cheque, made payable to the Ontario Minister of Finance.

If a person or public body would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the Council of the Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal but the person or public body does not make oral submissions at the public meeting or make written submissions to the Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers before the bylaw is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at the public meeting, or make written submissions to the Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers before the decision is made, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Tribunal, unless in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding these applications is available at the municipal office during regular office hours.

Dated this 22nd day of December, 2020 Kim Sloss, Clerk-Administrator Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers 11 Birch Lake Road Massey, ON P0P 1P0 Tel. 705-865-2646 inquries@sables-spanish.ca

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Table 4.32 – Requirements for Storage Containers and Storage Trailers

Storage Containers and Storage Trailers Item Residential Zones Number of Storage Residential in P.1. P.2 and M.

Number of Storage Containers and Storage Trailers (Units) permitted per lot -not permitted in R1, R2, and MHP
-1 storage container per dwelling unit in
Resource Recreation as an accessory use
-Storage trailers are prohibited in any
residential zone

Commercial Zones

-maximum of 3 units whether storage containers or storage trailers or a combination thereof in a C, CR and CL zone only

- no limit where the C and CR permitted use is for the commercial display and sale of storage containers or where the permitted use is a commercial self-storage facility

Industrial & Rural Zones

- maximum of 3 units whether storage containers or storage trailers or a combination thereof in any Industrial Zone and in a Rural Zone for a non-residential use with a minimum 0.4 ha lot area

-one (1) additional unit shall be permitted for each additional 4 ha of land area in a Rural Zone only, up to a maximum of 10 total

-not permitted in any source protection, environmental and open space zones

The remainder of Table 4.32 sets out additional regulations and requirements. A complete copy of Table 4.32 in the Zoning Bylaw, is available on the Township website, or by calling the municipal office and requesting a copy.

If you are unsure if this is a permitted use on your property, please call the office. Also note that where permitted, a storage container requires a Building Permit prior to being placed on the property.

BYLAW ENFORCEMENT

The Council of the Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers has entered into an agreement with Wenrick Kennels Inc., (operating as Rainbow District Animal Services and Bylaw Enforcement) for the provision of bylaw enforcement services. This includes but is not limited to:

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Notable And Quotable — 'Manspeak' In 2020.

Nobody tried harder to pretend to be just signed contract extensions in excess normal in 2020 than professional athletes and celebrities. They worked in bubbles and sheltered in luxury. They were tested more often than they peed which for the cheaters, was also a test.

In previous years, quips by pro athletes were light and funny. Like when college football player Matt Elliott said of his opponent Alonzo Spellman: "Physically he's a world-beater. Mentally, he's an eggbeater." Or when Andy VanSlyke explained why his Pittsburg Pirates were last in their division: "You can't ask Mr. Ed to keep up with Secretariat!"

2020 was a dark year even for quotes. Said former major league outfielder Carl Everett: "God created the sun, the stars and the earth and then made Adam and Eve. The Bible never said anything about dinosaurs." Well despite a time lapse between Dino and the Holy Writ of approximately 66 million years, there actually is a reference to Tyrannosaurus rex in the Good Book. See Romans. Raptors. Kawhi Bounce 4: "Raise thee on high thy NBA Championship Trophy yee Five King's of the B-Ball court."

Weighing in on the COVID-19 protocols for the upcoming NBA season, Raptor's star Kyle Lowry said: "It's going to be a tough year." Yeah, living in the Tampa Marriott Hotel with 24-hour room service, masseuses, first class food and travel will be sheer hell. Less so for your colleagues Stephen Curry, Russell Westbrook, Rudy Gobert and Giannis Antetokounmpo who

of \$200 million... each. Let's see, for \$800 million divided by the annual salary of \$80,000 you get 10,000 nurses on the front line of healthcare for one year.

I've always considered Boston Bruin legend Bobby Orr to be - along with Wayne Gretzky and Slava Fetisov — a gem in the greatest hat trick of hockey talent in the world. But when Orr endorsed Donald Trump for president with a full-page US newspaper ad — thumbs up and claiming Trump had come through for Americans "regardless of race, gender or station in life" — as a Canadian, it hurt to read that quote. Orr may have thrilled Trump's fan base but his own took a real shrinking. Orr ended the ad by saying of Trump: "The kind of teammate I want." Yeah, but you'll have to hide the women and children whenever he comes to the rink.

From male athletes to men of another planet comes the enigmatic Elon Musk with: "The coronavirus is dumb. Fear is the mindkiller." For sheer optimism that is off the chart and out of this world, my favourite news photo of 2020 shows the Space X founder striking a two-thumbs up pose and looking like he just won the Power Ball lottery, then lost the ticket and really could care less. His gushing quote: "Successful ascent, switchover to header tanks & precise flap control to landing point!... Mars, here we come!!" Elon Musk uttered those words just moments after his Starship prototype exploded into a fireball during a

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failed re-entry maneuver. If his house ever burns to the ground, he'll likely jump what's left of the couch.

Former President Barak Obama put an amusing spin on America's sudden meltdown of factualness when he coined the phrase "truth-decay."

A lot of threats were thrown around during November's US election but none as confusing as: "If Biden wins I am leaving the United States and moving to Hawaii!" Headline: "Trump supporters self-exile, holed up in Waikiki."

"Love Trump?... Thank President Trump by contributing to this campaign to buy his childhood home in his honour!" That's the go fund me pitch to buy Trump's boyhood home as a gift to the outgoing president when he leaves office... in 2029. Unfortunately young Donald told so many fibs, they can't figure out where he lived. Last report, they were zeroing in on a castle made of sugar plums in a place called Narnia. Said actor Will Smith's son,

Jaden: "If everybody in the

world dropped out of school,

we would have a much more

intelligent society." Yeah, and

turn all those empty buildings

into... think tanks?!?

Not only did Justin Bieber capture the zeitgeist of Millenials with: "How blessed are we to be able to like — a lot of people in this time have a crappy situation... you know they look at us. And obviously, we've worked hard for where we're at, so it's like, you can't feel bad for the things we have."

— he also gave us a glimpse of what the world would be like if everybody did drop out of school.

Perhaps the sports quote that best describes how we all feel, gutted and tired after a year under house arrest harks back to NBA's Utah Jazz coach Frank Leyden who scolded a rookie for his poor performance. "I said Son, what is it with you? Is it ignorance or apathy? And the kid said: "Coach, I don't know and I don't care." Depressed, confused and we don't give a rip — the year 2020 is in our rearview mirror but hardly soon enough.

Any of the ten books written by William Thomas are available at www.williamthomas.ca
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Canadian Tire Espanola General Manager Sharon Gaudreau presents a \$1000.00 donation to the President of the Espanola Royal Canadian Legion Gary MacPherson.





Recipe

These sliders will be a huge hit with your family and friends at your next gathering. The seasoned and buttery buns are packed with caramelized



onions, melted cheese and flavourful ground beef. A friend kindly shared the recipe with me after I sampled one... and then had to have a second one! So yummy! You can load on the cheese. Not only does it help to hold the beef together in a faux patty, but it really solidifies the french onion flavor.

French Onion Beef Sliders

- 8 tablespoons butter, divided
- 2 large sweet onions, sliced
- 2 pounds ground beef
- 2 tablespoons beef bouillon, divided
- 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce, divided
- Kosher salt and black pepper, to taste
- 24 slider buns
- 12–16 ounces provolone, gruyere or swiss cheese, shredded
- 2 tablespoons sesame seeds
- 1 tablespoon fresh thyme
- 1 teaspoon onion powder
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder

Melt 2 tablespoons of the butter in a skillet over medium heat. Add in the onions and reduce the heat to medium low. Cook, stirring occasionally, lightly caramelized, about 25-30 minutes. If the onions start to look dry or burnt, add a tablespoon of water to the pan. In a large bowl, mix the ground beef with half of the beef bouillon and half of the Worcestershire sauce. Season with salt and pepper. Add the beef to the skillet full of onions. Increase



heat to medium-high and brown the beef, breaking it up into large crumbles, and mixing with the onions as you go. Once browned, drain off excess grease. Preheat the oven to 350°F. Lightly grease a large baking sheet. Separate the tops from the bottoms of the slider buns. Fit the slider bottom buns tightly on the baking sheet. Evenly distribute the beef and onion mixture over the bottom buns. Top with provolone cheese. Cover with the top buns. In a microwave safe bowl, melt the butter with the remaining beef bouillon. Stir in the remaining Worcestershire sauce and continue to mix until well-combined. Using a pastry brush, brush the beefy butter mixture over the top buns. Sprinkle with the sesame seeds, thyme, onion powder, and garlic powder. Bake the sliders until the cheese is fully melted and the tops of the rolls are lightly browned, about 20 minutes.

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Free Food Giveaway Feeds Hundreds



to give away over 85,000 tons of food to families along the North Shore corridor.

She says the society provided the fairgrounds and many of the volunteers to hand out the food and PPE to over 300 vehicles, as well as several horses and buggy visitors.

Hughes estimates that over 450 families benefited from the giveaway and thanks to the partners and volunteers for coordinating the distribution, even more, important with so many people facing challenges due to COVID-19.

Hughes says the society, Barney's Bargain Barn, Harvest. Second United Wav Centraide North East Ontario, Cornerstone Christian Assembly, RONA Sonnenburg Hardware Ltd, Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers, Poirier Clover Farm, Poirier's Confectionary and Pizza, Chute's Confectionery and The Moose all partnered together to bring the free giveaway to the North Shore. She extends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone who benefited from the generosity of so many to make the Christmas season a little brighter. Photos by Carol Hughes

Report Released On Former Espanola Police Service Complaints – Civil Lawsuits Possible



Members of the former Espanola Police Service Association could be launching several civil lawsuits against former Police Chief Steve Edwards following the release of an Ontario Civilian Police Commission report.

Former association president, Ed Stortz, says the association received the report last Friday, a full year since it was released to the town and the former police board members.

Stortz says back in 2017 requests were made by the former police board to the Commission to LOOK INTO cases of sexual harassment, verbal abuse as well as drinking allegations.

Stortz says Edwards was placed on leave and the commission interviewed 10 officers and nine civilians in 2018.

Edwards did not have to respond to the allegations since the police service disbanded, and the investigation was dropped. He adds due to the disbandment, the commission had to drop the investigation because Edwards was no longer a police officer. Stortz says despite it taking a

Stortz says despite it taking a year to receive the report, several members are now looking at possible civil lawsuits against Edwards.

Edwards could not be reached for comment.

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Espanola Public Library Expanded Curbside Pick-Up Service - You can now call (705-869-2940) and pickup library materials for Curbside Pick-Up on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10:00am – 4:00pm.

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