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THE CANAL PROJECT SEEKS VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The Township has begun the first phase of the Canal Beautification Project, an initiative that will improve the appearance of the Galop Canal while laying the foundation for future enhancements to one of our community's most recognizable landmarks.

This summer's work focuses on removing overgrown brush and invasive vegetation along the south canal embankment, from the top of the bank to the water's edge. Clearing this vegetation will improve access for future maintenance, enhance views of the canal and create opportunities for long-term beautification and public amenities.

As the project moves forward, Council is also looking ahead to the canal's future. Residents are invited to apply to serve on the new Canal Beautification Ad Hoc Steering Committee, which will provide advice and recommendations on future improvements, public spaces and long-term maintenance strategies.

If you are passionate about Cardinal's waterfront and would like to help shape its future, applications for the Steering Committee are being accepted until September 10, 2026. More information, including the Committee's Terms of Reference and application details, is available on the Township website twpec.ca/CanalProject.

Economic Development

HFI BRINGS NEW INVESTMENT AND JOBS TO TWPEC



Members of federal, provincial and municipal government, with Algonquin Nation and South Nation Conservation, join HFI in groundbreaking ceremony

HFI Pyrotechnics marked an important milestone in July with the announcement of a \$120 million investment to expand its Edwardsburgh Cardinal operations. The first phase of a five-year growth plan includes new buildings, infrastructure, production capacity and research programs that will support the company's continued growth and strengthen Canada's defence supply chain.

The announcement also highlights the value of partnerships between local, provincial and federal governments. Earlier this year, the Township completed the first phase of the Land Bank project, transferring approximately 2,500 acres of former provincial land to HFI. The additional property provides room for future expansion while creating an appropriate buffer for HFI's operations.

The investment is already benefiting Edwardsburgh Cardinal. HFI has added 50 employees since late 2025 and expects to continue creating high-quality jobs as the project moves forward. Construction is underway on new buildings, access roads and supporting infrastructure, with additional investments planned over the coming years.



Mayor Deschamps congratulates HFI as the company announces \$120M expansion

Mayor Tory Deschamps noted that the expansion transforms formerly unproductive land into "a hub of opportunity" and demonstrates how collaboration between all levels of government can support long-term economic growth for the community.

PORT OF JOHNSTOWN SUPPORTS MAJOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT

The Port of Johnstown recently welcomed the first shipment of battery units for the Skyview 2 Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) project, marking an important milestone for both the project and the Port. The first shipment arrived aboard the Claude A. Desgagnés in June and was unloaded and temporarily stored at the Port before continuing to the project site on Dobbie Road.

The arrival highlights the Port of Johnstown's important role in supporting major infrastructure and development projects throughout Eastern Ontario. Its marine shipping and cargo handling capabilities help connect local projects with national and international supply chains.

Residents may notice increased commercial truck traffic between the Port and the Skyview 2 project site as battery units and other major components continue to arrive through September. Deliveries will travel from the Port to the site using the approved haul route, with project partners working to move equipment safely and efficiently.

The Township thanks the Port of Johnstown, Potentia Renewables, project partners and everyone involved in supporting this important milestone.



First battery shipment arrives at the Port of Johnstown



Community News

PARTNERSHIP TO CREATE 42 NEW LICENSED CHILD CARE SPACES IN CARDINAL



The site of the new Child Care facility, across from the Ingreion Centre in Cardinal.

The Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal, the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville and YMCA of Eastern Ontario are pleased to announce a partnership that will create 42 new licensed child care spaces in Cardinal, helping improve access to affordable, licensed child care for families across the region.

A new purpose-built child care centre is planned for construction at 4055 Dishaw Street in Cardinal, on Township-owned land across from the Ingreion Centre. Once complete, the Township will lease the facility to YMCA of Eastern Ontario, which will operate the licensed child care centre.

Each partner is contributing its expertise to make the project possible. The United Counties of Leeds and Grenville are supporting the project through the Canada-Wide Early Learning and Child Care (CWELCC) initiative, with funding provided through the Early Learning and Child Care (ELCC) Infrastructure Fund. The Township is constructing the facility, while YMCA of Eastern Ontario will obtain licensing approvals and operate the child care centre. The site is expected to welcome children by the end of 2026.

Construction activities began this summer, with site servicing and foundation work occurring first, followed by installation of the prefabricated building and interior finishes. You may notice increased construction activity in the area over the coming months.

Project updates will be shared at twpec.ca/ChildCareCentre

NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR ANNUAL COMMUNITY AWARDS

Help us recognize the Individuals, businesses and organizations that make Edwardsburgh Cardinal a great place to live, work and play.

Nominations for our 2026 Community Awards will be accepted from August 1 to September 4, 2026. Awards will be presented at a special Community Awards celebration this fall.



The Spencerville Agricultural Society accepts award for Community Organization of the Year in 2025

This year's award categories include:

- Citizen of the Year
- Youth Citizen of the Year
- Small Business of the Year
- Large Business of the Year
- Community Organization/Volunteer Group of the Year

If someone has made a difference in your neighbourhood, supported a local cause, mentored others or helped make our community a better place, we encourage you to submit a nomination.

Nomination forms, award criteria and additional information are available on the Township website.



twpec.ca/Awards

Townhall News

Get on the voters list
for the municipal election
on **October 26!**

RegisterToVoteON.ca
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to Vote



COULD YOU BE A MEMBER OF COUNCIL?

The Municipal Election nomination period is now open, and the Township is encouraging residents who are passionate about their community to consider running for Council.

Serving on Council is an opportunity to help shape the future of Edwardsburgh Cardinal by making decisions on local services, infrastructure, recreation, economic development and community priorities.

Nominations will be accepted until 2:00 p.m. on Friday, August 21, 2026.

Individuals interested in becoming a candidate can find nomination forms, candidate packages and additional election information on the Township website. Appointments with the Clerk's Department are required to file nomination papers.

Whether you're considering running for the first time or have thought about it before, now is the time to learn what it means to represent your community.

Visit www.twpec.ca/elections for candidate information, nomination requirements and important election dates.



twpec.ca/Elections

FINAL PROPERTY TAX BILLS HAVE BEEN MAILED

Final property tax bills have now been mailed to property owners who receive paper notices. Property owners enrolled in e-billing will receive their bill by email.

Property taxes are due August 31, 2026.

Payments can be made through online or telephone banking, at most financial institutions, by mail, in person at the Township Office, or by using the secure drop box outside the Municipal Office after regular business hours.

If you are enrolled in the Township's monthly pre-authorized payment plan, your payments will continue automatically. You do not need to make a separate payment.

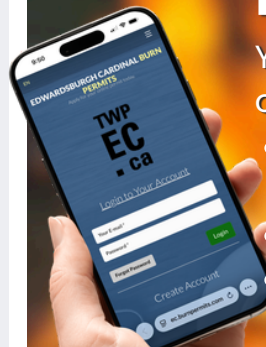
If you have not received your tax bill, please contact the Township Office as soon as possible. Failure to receive a tax bill does not remove the responsibility to pay property taxes by the due date.

A penalty of 1.25% per month will be applied to outstanding balances after the due date. For payment options or questions about your tax account, visit www.twpec.ca/taxes or contact the Township Office.

BEFORE YOU BURN

You need a burn permit before open air burning in TWPEC.

- Burn permits must be renewed each year
- Permits cost \$10
- You must activate your permit each time you burn by calling 613-704-2699



ec.burnpermits.com