

# Waves

A publication for the citizens and communities of the Municipality of Lakeshore.

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## Summer Water Billing

When receiving your water bill in September and October please be mindful of the following information. **September and October bills are a result of summer months' water consumption.** Due to the summer heat, water usage increases with activities like yard/garden watering, sprinkler usage, filling pools, and washing your car. Residents can expect higher than average bills during these billing cycles. Also, swimming pool owners do not receive discounts on their water or wastewater bills. Learn more at [Lakeshore.ca/Water](https://lakeshore.ca/Water)



## Water and Wastewater Master Plan



The Municipality of Lakeshore is conducting an update to its Water and Wastewater Master Plan (WWMP). There are several ways to participate in the process and provide feedback to the Water and Wastewater Master Plan.

Learn more and sign up for project updates online at:

[Lakeshore.ca/WWMP](https://lakeshore.ca/WWMP)

## Help Make Lakeshore More Accessible! Share Your Input on 2023-27 Plan



Share your experiences with accessibility in Lakeshore as we work to create the 2023-2027 Multi-Year Accessibility Plan. Community feedback will help provide insight into gaps and barriers that currently exist for people with disabilities, as well as provide Lakeshore's Accessibility Advisory Committee with ideas on how to reduce or eliminate those barriers. Share your feedback and stay tuned for upcoming events at: [Lakeshore.ca/Accessibility](https://lakeshore.ca/Accessibility)

## Final Tax Bills



Final property tax bill payments are coming up! The final installment for 2023 tax bills is due on **October 31st, 2023.**

Supplementary bills, issued after renovations or additions, are mailed July through December.

## Lakeshore Signs Community Support Agreement with Hydro One

The Municipality of Lakeshore will benefit from \$8 million in new local investments, including \$5.8 million to directly support culture and recreation projects as a result of a new Community Support Agreement signed between Hydro One and Lakeshore.

"On behalf of Council, and the residents of Lakeshore's communities, I'd like to thank Hydro One for working with us to create an agreement that is a win for all," said Mayor Tracey Bailey. "We know how critical the electricity transmission projects are to the future prosperity of our region. We are proud to play a part in their success and look forward to seeing the Community Support Agreement in action."

## Seasonal Facility Closures Coming Up

A number of Lakeshore's seasonal park facilities will close in the coming months.

Local splash pads typically close in mid-September, depending on weather.

Washroom facilities at public parks are slated to close on Friday, **October 6, 2023.**

## Free WiFi Coming to Lakeshore Parks!

Free public WiFi Internet service will be available at a number of Lakeshore parks after Council agreed to provide a Letter of Support to Gosfield North Communications at the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, August 15. The service will be a significant step towards enhancing digital connectivity for residents and visitors.



The project will see WiFi services available at: Optimist Park, Ladouceur/Lions Park, Duck Creek Park, Lakeview Park, Millen Park, and Comber Community Centre.

**WiFi services are expected to be available by mid-2024.**

## Fire Prevention Week



Fire prevention week is coming up! This year it will take place from **October 8th to October 14th**. This year's theme is **"Cooking safety starts with you. Pay attention to fire prevention."** Stay tuned for Fire Prevention Week events and activities with the Lakeshore Fire Department online at: [Lakeshore.ca/FPW](https://Lakeshore.ca/FPW)

## Test Your Smoke Alarm Day



For the first time ever, Ontario is celebrating **Test Your Smoke Alarm Day** on **September 28th!** On this day all Ontarians are invited to learn more about smoke alarms, fire safety, and home fire escape planning. For more information visit: [SavedByTheBeep.ca](https://SavedByTheBeep.ca)

## Budget Meetings Slated for Early Next Year

2024 Budget deliberations are expected to take place in January of 2024. Stay tuned for Budget announcements online at: [Lakeshore.ca/News](https://Lakeshore.ca/News)

Plus, check out Council's meeting schedule at: [Lakeshore.ca/Council](https://Lakeshore.ca/Council)

## Get Ready for the Holiday Season with Lakeshore Recreation

The holiday season will be here before you know it! Get ready to deck your halls at Breakfast with Santa events on November 25, December 2, and December 9. Then kick-off winter on December 23 at the Atlas Tube Recreation Centre.

Check out the full line-up of holiday events in the Fall Activity Guide.

## Drainage Board Call For Members

Lakeshore is currently seeking a new member to serve on the municipality's Drainage Board. Prospective applicants can read the board's terms of reference and apply online by October 13, 2023 at: [Lakeshore.ca/CommitteeApp](https://Lakeshore.ca/CommitteeApp) (under the "Vacancies" tab)



## Public Events Calendar

Looking to promote your organization's community events or get involved in our communities?

Check out our free online community calendar! Submit events online to help reach residents throughout Lakeshore and stay up-to-date on local happenings.

For more information, call the Public Service Unit at **519-728-2700** or visit: [Lakeshore.ca/Events](https://Lakeshore.ca/Events)

## Water Meter Replacement Program

The Municipality of Lakeshore continues to replace water meters across the municipality.

Residents will receive a notice letter stating a specific deadline to book an appointment for the replacement.

Please contact our office at **519-728-2700 ext. 301** to schedule a replacement.



## We Want to Hear From You!

Check out upcoming engagement events and sign up for community surveys online at: [Lakeshore.ca/Engage](https://Lakeshore.ca/Engage)



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