

Tiny Twp grants CN \$5,000

At their last regular meeting, Tiny Township Council granted the CN Right-of-Way Committee up to \$5,000 to tackle emergency repairs and to begin a brushing and spraying program.

In a brief presented to Council the Committee stated that they had inspected the right-of-way from end to end and showed Council member slides of special features and problem areas.

The brief contained preliminary findings and made recommendations.

The Committee found that the general condition of the property was good with the exception of "a few problem areas needing early action".

It was suggested that there are scenic areas and the over all potential for recreational use is good and that the right-of-way is being used as a trail at the present time.

The Committee recommended that some brushing and spraying be done immediately.

The Committee brief stated that there are five areas which should have priority for fencing. These are privately owned lands which border on the right-of-way.

Long term problems such as maintenance, fencing and drainage should be looked into and the Committee proposed that a written program outlining the phasing of the work to be accomplished over a period of several years, which would be tied to available grants, should be undertaken.

The brief suggests that the most expensive expenditures to be made in the future would have to do with bridge structures.

The Committee believes that in most cases the best method is to remove the bridges and slope the gravel down to a simple large metal culvert over the watercourse. This technique is recommended especially for the 12 large bridges at the north end of the right-of-way. It is further suggested that the north end be closed (or posted against use) until work on the bridges is finished.

The Committee has applied for funds through Canada Works and have obtained students for the summer through the Huronia Trails Young Canada Work grant.

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Hats off and congratulations to the Blood Donor Clinic held last week at the Legion Hall. It was the best clinic ever held in this area and a sincere thanks to all the people that gave of their time and blood to help others. They truly gave a gift of life.

Mr. Dave Chambers, Chairman of the Red Cross Society, did an excellent job in setting up the clinic and a great job on the promotional end of it that really paid off with 450 donations.

Holiday season is upon us and camping and tenting out is becoming more and more popular.

Did you know that it's possible for a non-flame retardant cotton tent to burn to the ground in as little as 45 seconds?

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source. Similarly, nylon tents can be ignited but will burn much less rapidly than cotton tents.

Even after they are treated with flame retardants at the factory, cotton and nylon tents are not fireproof — the process only makes them more resistant to ignition and ensures they will not burn as readily. Because there still exists a measurable hazard from fire and from smoke, as much care should be exercised with these tents as with untreated ones.

To help ensure that a camping holiday does not become a camping tragedy, Consumer and Corporate Affairs Canada recommends the following precautions be observed when tenting:

- Do not use candles or matches or open flames of any kind in or near a tent.
- Build campfires downwind and several yards away from the tent. Always be sure to fully extinguish camp fires before leaving camp or before retiring for the night.
- Practise extreme caution when using fuel-powered lanterns and heaters inside tents, and use battery-operated equipment wherever possible.
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- Keep all flammable liquids such as gasoline or kerosene in tightly-capped safety cans, stored out of the reach of children and well away from the tent.


- Bring along a portable fire extinguisher when camping.

- Develop an escape plan for getting out of the tent quickly in case of emergency. Keep a knife handy to cut an escape hole in the tent should the exit become blocked.

Follow these safety measures, and have a safe and happy holiday. Happiness is helping others to help themselves.

Mary M. Gibson, Administrator.

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