



TERRACE BAY ECONOMIC UPDATE

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This document outlines some of the projects completed or ongoing in the Terrace Bay region.

TERRACE BAY PULP INC.

Terrace Bay Pulp Inc. is in the process of restarting its operations since it filed for creditor protection. The company received a \$25 million term loan from the provincial government in November 2009. It is also eligible for up to \$19.2 million allocated for the company in green capital upgrades through the pulp and paper green transformation program announced in October 2009. The operation had to enter creditor protection to restructure its operations



to cope with the global economic downturn. Since that time, pulp prices have significantly increased from a low of \$635/tonne in 2009 to \$900/tonne for Northern Bleached Softwood Kraft as of March 9, 2010. The company is currently addressing creditor claims and is hoping to restart in May 2010. The Township of Terrace Bay is dedicated to assisting Terrace Bay Pulp Inc. in restructuring its operations and providing sustainable jobs for residents.

MCCAUSLAND HOSPITAL LONG-TERM CARE PROJECT

The vision of the 22-Bed Long-Term Care Project continues to be a reality with the spectacular 15,000 square foot facility now being constructed with an estimated construction completion of August 2010. The Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care Compliance process will follow the completion of construction with a tentative facility opening slated for November 2010.

The project has now embarked on a new fund raising campaign to furnish the facility. The goal of the “Furnish a Room Campaign” is to raise \$215,213 to furnish the inside of the facility. Donations can be made individually, as a group or as part of the designated “Community Room”. For more information, you can visit the hospital’s web site at mccauslandhospital.com or by calling (807) 825-3273 ext. 134



February 2010 Construction



March 2010 Construction

TERRACE BAY DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION PROJECT

The \$3 million Downtown Revitalization Project is in the final engineering stage and will have drawings to display to the public soon. Project construction officially began with the removal of soffit and asbestos board underneath the canopy in November 2009 (see picture on right). The soffit and asbestos board removal will allow the architects from Kuch Stephenson Gibson Malo to evaluate the structural integrity of the canopy and further engineer improvements. The canopy soffit will not be replaced until Spring/Summer 2010 as the project needs to be engineered, tendered, and a construction company chosen before the purchase and installation of materials.



Canopy work by DRD Construction

The tentative timeline for the project is:

- March/April 2010: development of final engineered drawings
- April/May 2010: tender period for project construction
- Spring - Fall 2010: project construction

The project will involve the following:

- Renovation of the existing Simcoe Plaza canopy,
- Construction of a canopy marketing signage theme
- Streetscaping and landscaping upgrades
- Improvements to the former theatre area into a walkway
- New municipal entrance signage and highway signage for major attractions
- Construction of a 50 foot lighthouse attraction modeled after the one at the Slate Islands to 'hook' tourists into the downtown area, and the creation of entrance,



Mockup of Entrance Sign

Please visit the project's webpage at www.terracebay.ca/drp for project updates.

TERRACE BAY CULTURAL CENTRE PROJECT

The Township of Terrace Bay officially began the construction phase of the Cultural Centre project on January 4, 2010. The project involves renovating sections of the vacant former St. Martin School building to provide for the relocation of the Terrace Bay Public Library and creation of the Michael King Hall (a full-service community auditorium with a new kitchen). The \$1.9 million project is complementary to the activities of the Superior Seniors Club in renovating the South wing of the building into the Seniors Activity Centre. Construction should be completed in Summer 2010. For more information visit www.terracebay.ca/cc.



March 2010 – Renovation of the North Wing of the Cultural Centre

TERRACE BAY ACQUIRES SATELLITE IMAGERY

Terrace Bay completed a project to acquire satellite imagery of the Municipality for marketing for investment attraction and tourism. The high quality images allow Township staff to create customized maps of different sections of the Municipality to respond to investor inquiries. The maps are featured at www.terracebay.ca/maps. The long-term goal is for the maps to be integrated into Google Earth and investment portals like the Ontario Investment Service.



Satellite Image of the Downtown

SPECIAL WASTE RECYCLING DAY

The Township of Terrace Bay hosted a special waste recycling day for residents to divert hazardous and electronic waste from the Terrace Bay Landfill. Hundreds of cars drove into the collection depot and materials collected filled two large trucks and part of a transport. The most common materials included paint and stain cans, batteries, propane tanks, computer monitors, and televisions. The materials were sent to Thunder Bay where they were either recycled or transported to recycling facilities in Southern Ontario. This initiative was part of Council's Strategic plan for 2007-2011 and the goal is to carry it out on an annual basis.



Taking in Electronic Materials

LABOUR ACTION CENTRE TRAINING

The Terrace Bay Schreiber Action Centre was established for those affected by the shutdown of Terrace Bay Pulp Inc. and held its official grand opening on October 8, 2009. The Action Centre is the result of a collaborative effort by the Township of Terrace Bay, Township of Schreiber, and the United Steelworkers Local 665 and is funded by the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities. The Action Centre is located in the Terrace Bay Community Centre and provides area residents with job placement and training assistance.



Labour Action Centre Office

TERRACE BAY CELEBRATES 2010 OLYMPICS

The Olympic Torch arrived in Terrace Bay on Sunday, January 3, 2010 at 2:00pm and it was a memorable experience for everyone in attendance. A volunteer planning committee arranged a variety of events for those in attendance whom also enjoyed free hot chocolate and cake in the Curling Club. Local resident, Mary Deschatelets was selected as a Torch Runner, and displayed her Olympic Torch at the curling club where residents could have their picture taken with the torch! The Olympic spirit continued in the Municipality with residents following the success of home-grown Haley Irwin, granddaughter of the late Alice & Lionel Waghorn, who was a key part of the Olympic women's gold medal winning hockey team.



The Handover of the Torch

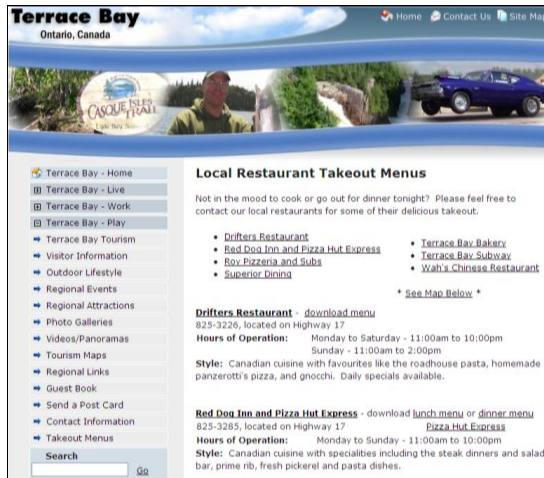
STEEL RIVER BRIDGE PROJECT

The construction of a new multi-million dollar bridge along Highway 17 over the Steel River has been ongoing since February 2010. The bridge is expected to be complete for travel in October 2010 and the old bridge will be torn down in the Summer of 2011. The Carillion company will be completing the required work and has a temporary office in Terrace Bay for administration purposes. The project has already hired some local workers and is expected to hire more throughout its duration.



Early Construction on the Northeast Side

LOCAL TAKEOUT MENUS FEATURED ON TERRACE BAY WEBSITE



Screenshot of part of Takeout Menu Page

The Township of Terrace Bay is supporting its local restaurants by making it easier to order takeout food. Local restaurant menus are featured at www.terracebay.ca/menus with pricing if you want to stay in tonight, but don't feel like cooking. Residents and tourists can go directly to the page or find it in the PLAY section of the website or google "Terrace Bay Takeout" or "Terrace Bay Menus". They can then click on the local restaurants menus to see what they have featured and then call in your order for pickup! This initiative is designed as a means to assist local restaurants within the intent of the municipal website. The Township will consider other such opportunities for business support.

NEW BUSINESS INFORMATION SESSION IN TERRACE BAY

The Township of Terrace Bay, in partnership with Superior North CFDC, the Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, and Forestry, and the Township of Schreiber conducted an information session for entrepreneurs to learn about available government grants, loans and business advisory services on August 20, 2010. Approximately 40 people from the Terrace Bay/Schreiber region attended the event and received information on where to look and who to talk to about services for businesses start-ups. The session concluded with some marketing advice for new business start-ups and networking with regional business development officers.

UPCOMING REGIONAL EVENTS: Annual Figure Skating Ice Show March 26-28, the 2010 Green Tradeshow April 24, 125th Anniversary in Schreiber July 12-18, Lake Superior Day in Terrace Bay July 18, 14th Annual Golf Course Masters Tournament Week July 19-25, and 12th Annual Drag Fest July 30-August 1.

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