

## **Greetings from Mayor Nina Bifulchi**

Welcome to the Town of Wasaga Beach website.

On behalf of town council and staff, I want to thank you for choosing to visit our site.

You will find that [www.wasagabeach.com](http://www.wasagabeach.com) is your best source for accurate information about municipal programs, services, activities, events, and meetings.

Wasaga Beach is a wonderful place. Whether you are here for a lifetime or just the weekend, we are happy to have you.

Our town is comprised of residents who are talented, caring, and compassionate. Above anything else, the people who live here are what makes Wasaga Beach such a special place.

The town is fortunate to be one of Ontario's most popular tourism destination spots.

Most individuals know our town for having one of the best beaches in Canada. In fact, our beach holds the distinction of being the longest freshwater beach in the world.

However, there is so much more to our town.

Wasaga Beach is home to beautiful parks and a tremendous trail system. Exploring our parks and trails are fantastic ways to get outside and learn about our town. I encourage you to take full advantage.

We are also proud of our RecPlex facility, which contains modern recreational amenities and meeting space for various activities. Please take the time to learn more about the building and the activities that go on inside. I think you will be pleased.

The Wasaga Sports Park is home to baseball diamonds, soccer fields, playground equipment, horseshoe pitches, bocce ball courts, a dog park, covered pavilion, and canoe launch.

Learn more about this great spot here: <https://www.wasagabeach.com/town-hall/public-works-engineering-parks/sports-park>.

Another important aspect of community life is our library and our arena.

The library is home to programs that are fun, interesting, and educational. As well, the library is a fantastic source for books and movies. The library also provides public computer terminals that have access to the Internet.

Find out more on the library here: [http://www.wasagabeach.library.on.ca/client/en\\_US/was/](http://www.wasagabeach.library.on.ca/client/en_US/was/).

Our arena is the heart of our hockey community. Thousands of young boys and girls over the years have learned to play hockey at the Wasaga Stars Arena. It is also a focal point for the Wasaga Beach Figure Skating Club. As well, the arena is home to other types of on-ice skills development.

To find out more about our arena see here: <https://www.wasagabeach.com/town-hall/recreation-events-facilities/arena>

Both our arena and our library require replacing to meet the needs of our growing community. Council is considering how best to proceed with these projects.

It is important to recognize the organizations and volunteers that contribute so much to our community. Your efforts are truly commendable. You help make Wasaga Beach such a great place.

I also want to tell you about our transit system. Wasaga Beach Transit operates two routes in town, seven days a week, between 7 a.m. and 9 p.m. The bus service is an affordable and convenient way to get around our community. Council is looking at how it can expand the transit system to serve residents and visitors better.

You can learn more about the system by visiting: [www.wasagabeach.com/transit](http://www.wasagabeach.com/transit).

The website includes a transit map, regional transit information, and additional details about this service.

The town is also home to a wide range of shopping choices. I urge you to check out our local businesses for all your needs. They will appreciate your support.

If you are thinking about establishing a business in Wasaga Beach, our economic development staff are happy to help.

You can learn more at [www.wasagabeach.com/town-hall/economic-development](http://www.wasagabeach.com/town-hall/economic-development).

To speak with our economic development officer, call 705-429-3844, ext. 2284.

Our town is home to some exciting festivals each year and I encourage you to check out the Special Events section of our website to learn more about these opportunities.

See here: <https://www.wasagabeach.com/Pages/Events.aspx>

On another note, communication is something the town takes seriously. You can stay up-to-date on municipal activities by visiting the Media Releases and Public Notices section of our website at: <https://www.wasagabeach.com/Pages/Public-Notices.aspx>.

You can also follow us on Facebook and Twitter, where we regularly share municipal information.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/TownOfWasagaBeach/>

Twitter: [https://twitter.com/WB\\_Media](https://twitter.com/WB_Media)

Rogers Television broadcasts our council meetings. You can also watch meetings on the Rogers Television website. See the site here: <https://www.rogerstv.com/show?lid=12&rid=72&sid=5800>

Meetings for Coordinated Committee and Committee of the Whole are livestreamed on our YouTube channel.

YouTube: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpmN8Mxi2SD\\_4vHwz8J92Mg](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpmN8Mxi2SD_4vHwz8J92Mg)

You can also find municipal information on our “town pages” in the weekly edition of The Sun newspaper.

As well, we produce a variety of newsletters during the year.

Wasaga Beach is rich in history and I hope you will take some time to learn about our past.

One great spot is Nancy Island Historic Site. Founded in 1928, the site features interesting information and displays relating to the War of 1812 and the local 1814 battle that involved three American Schooners and the HMS Nancy.

The Wasaga Beach Archives is another fascinating spot for history buffs. Located at the Wasaga Beach Public Library, the archives contains all kinds of artifacts, photographs, and documents about our community's long and proud history. Be sure to call ahead to make certain they are open.

As your mayor, if I can be of any assistance please contact me at 705-429-3844, ext. 2225 or e-mail [mayor@wasagabeach.com](mailto:mayor@wasagabeach.com).

In closing, I want to once again thank you for visiting our site.

Sincerely,

Nina Bifulchi

Mayor.