



## Construction Newsletter #12 – April 12, 2021

### Berford Street Reconstruction and Streetscaping Improvement Project George Street to Division Street

#### Happy Spring from the Big Dig Team!

This spring and summer we will complete the reconstruction and streetscaping on Berford Street. So what's on the agenda?

- Installing new watermains, sanitary sewers and storm sewers from William Street to just south of the George Street intersection and connecting properties to the new mains
- Completing the installation of the oil-grit separator on Division Street
- Installing new traffic lights at Berford and George
- Paving Berford Street from south of George to north of Division, and the areas we disturbed on the cross-streets
- Restoring the sidewalks
- Planting trees, flowers, installing benches...making sure that downtown Wiarton is a beautiful and welcoming shopping destination!

#### How long is this all going to take?

We will start work on April 12, with preparatory work and the installation of temporary water lines.

The first road closures will April 19, as early as possible after getting the go-ahead from the Ministry of Transportation.

If all goes according to plan, we should be finished by late summer or early fall.

#### **Please Note:**

If you live or work on Berford Street, be aware that construction and paving can cause vibrations. Please ensure any fragile items are secured and away from the edges of shelves!



Barry Lyons, local resident and volunteer project photographer!  
(See more in the interview with Barry and others on page 3)

Want to be featured here?  
Send us your photos!  
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Hugh Campbell,  
Interested  
Warton  
Resident



Bonnie Stroeder,  
Manager of  
the Huron  
Bay Co-op

**How is the detour going to work?**

A full road closure is initially planned from south of the George Street intersection to just south of William Street. This will begin on April 19.

**Southbound traffic will route to:**  
Jenny Street to Gould Street to Frank Street

**Northbound traffic will route to:**  
Frank Street to Claude Street to William Street

## Getting to know you: out and about with your Project Ambassador

In each issue, I'll be chatting with a local business owner, resident or visitor. Last fall, I chatted with Hugh Campbell, Barry Lyons and Bonnie Stroeder from Huron Bay Co-op.

Sandra: What do you think of the construction?

Hugh: Well, it had to be done. It's too bad there wasn't enough money to do it all at once.

Sandra: Yes, that was a shame. Do you have any idea how it'll look when it's all done?

Hugh: I saw about it in the Warton Echo, so I have a general idea. Warton will be better when it's finished.

Sandra: How has construction affected the Co-op, Bonnie?

Bonnie: Walk-in traffic is down big-time. But that's to be expected. The workers for Bridge Construction have been very, very good. They're very cooperative in helping people get around. Paul is great!

Sandra: I was amazed to learn that Barry has taken 1,500 pictures of the construction and would like to compile them into a book when the work is completed.

Barry: I love this town and the people in the community. I know it costs a lot of money, but the people who live here and the tourists have to drink the water so it must be safe. You can't play with people's health. I have a lot of respect for these guys (the workers). The work had to be done. You can't bring people in without new infrastructure. Warton is a beautiful community and it's time to fix it up.

I, for one, will be fascinated to see Barry's pictures after construction. Join me next issue for a word with Josie Myles of Josie's of Warton.

Sandra

## Road Closures:

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- Berford Street will be closed to vehicle traffic from south of William Street to south of George Street starting on April 19.
- Division Street from Berford Street to Bayview Drive is still closed.

For the full road closure, traffic will be detoured on both sides of Berford whenever possible.

## Southbound traffic will route to:

Jenny Street to Gould Street to Frank Street

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Customer access to the businesses is provided via side streets, rear parking lots and pedestrian access. If you require special accommodation, please contact the business owner or the Project Ambassador for current accessibility conditions.

Business owners needing accommodation for deliveries should contact the Project Ambassador.

**Access for emergency vehicles** will always be maintained.

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## Who do I call if I have a question?

### Bridge Excavating Ltd.

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Sandra LeFaucheur, your Project Ambassador

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R.J. Burnside & Associates Limited is administering the project on behalf of the Town. If you have any questions regarding the construction, you may also call a Burnside representative between **8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday to Friday**, and your call will be responded to as soon as possible.

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