



The Elms' Leaflet



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CALM ON THE SURFACE, BUT ... !

I watched a family of ducks gliding across the surface of their pond, knowing that beneath the surface and out of sight, there was a flurry of activity that was propelling the group towards their goal on the other bank. Those of you who have driven or walked past **The Elms** property will have observed only a few subtle changes on the surface. You will have seen the surveyors stakes, you may have seen the folks doing an Environmental Survey, you may have



watched the team of archaeologists conducting their three phases of the required Archaeology Study. You may have noticed that Craig has smoothed out an area in front of the sign where a grass buffer will be, separating the sign area from the agricultural crop which will grow during the summer and fall. On the surface, things look very calm and slow-moving. What you don't see, however, is the mountain of work that has gone on in the homes and offices of members of the Board of Directors of EASR, Invizij Architects, archaeologists, storm water management experts, surveyors, geotechnical

consultants, financial consultants, cost analysts, to identify just some of the people who have already provided input. Many more reports and studies will have to be done in order to meet the requirements of the Springwater Township Planning Department. Some of you receiving "The Leaflet" who frequently or occasionally go to our website, <https://the-elms.ca> have already noticed that the waiting list has grown! This is very positive news, indeed. We previously told you about the purchase of the first package of land. The second page of this newsletter includes the article that will be published in the next edition of the "Springwater News", announcing the completion of the acquisition of the remaining 7.7 acres of land. We are sharing this news to people on our 'contact list' earlier, due to your personal interest. You folks have already shown a sincere interest in **The Elms**. Many of you are on the "Wait List" for a unit and some of you have become members of EASR. The rest may be a little hesitant about taking the next step, but I'm certain that when the architects present their plans for the project, there will be a flood of applicants. Remember, your wait list application is "date stamped", ensuring your place in line for suite availability. Please continue to urge your friends and neighbours to visit our website, get on our contact list, join our association and reserve a unit in The Elms. For additional information or clarification, email EASR at elmsvillage@gmail.com or contact me, Doug Jackson, personally at 705-527-3097 or via email at sjackson@csolve.net.



Elmvale Active Seniors Residence Property Acquisition Now Complete

Another milestone in the development of *The Elms Retirement Village* in Elmvale has been reached. The directors of the Not-for-Profit group, EASR, are pleased to announce the completion of the purchase of the second piece of property, which will make a total of nearly eleven (10.7) acres of land available for the construction of a Retirement Village. The remarkable thing about this purchase is the awesome support from the local community. Members of our community have demonstrated their commitment to the vision and goals of the project. To date, they have invested over one and a half million dollars to purchase the land and aid in the completion of many of the studies and reports that have to be made in order to satisfy the requirements of moving the project forward. The support and encouragement of the Springwater and surrounding local communities is greatly appreciated!



*Craig Beacock, from EASR, preparing an area to be seeded in front of the new sign on the east edge of Elmvale. The group has now purchased over ten acres for **The Elms***

Throughout the winter and early spring, a large number of meetings have been held via ZOOM. The architects, along with their team of landscape, engineering and energy consultants have been meeting regularly with EASR. Additionally, professional survey crews, environmental assessment crews and archaeology teams have been on-site. Their work has been finished in time for the land to be put into productive agriculture for this season. By this time next year, EASR expects to be underway with elements of the construction phase. For additional information about this much-needed project, please go to the website <https://the-elms.ca>. Here you will find links to the ongoing and upcoming events plus opportunities to get on the contact list for newsletter updates and becoming an active member in the organization.