

In 1877 with a population of 800 incorporation of the village was applied for and granted.

The Village of Springfield was Incorporated in June, 1877.

The first meeting of the Members of the first Municipal Council of the newly Incorporated Municipality of the Village of Springfield, assembled at John Dyne's hotel, at 11 oc'clock, A. M. on January, 21st, 1878.

All members were present;- Viz, Reeve, J. B. Mills.

Councillors,----- David Kinsey, Joshua Soper,
David McKenzie, W. E. Roche.

Wm. McIntosh, Returning Officer for the Municipality of the Village of Springfield, called the meeting to order, and administered the Declaration of Office to the Reeve and Councillors, declaring them duly elected and qualified, to take their seats, for 1878, for the transaction of Lawful business, for the Municipality of the Village of Springfield.

Men, who have served as Reeve of Springfield, since it was Incorporated.

J. B. Mills,	Jan.	1878	to	Dec.	1883.	
Joshua Sisler,	"	1884	to	"	1885.	<u>Municipal Clerks.</u>
Wm. McIntosh,		1886				
Charles Donaldson,		1887				Joshua Yoder, 1878 to Dec. 1883.
J. B. Mills,		1888				
Wm. Kirkley,		1889				John B. Lucas, 1884 to Oct. 1922.
Charles Donaldson,		1890	to	Dec.	1891.	
Philander Babcock,		1892	to	"	1893.	Wesley Collins, Oct, 1922 To Aug. 1931.
Charles Donaldson,		1894	to	"	1896.	
A. E. Wilson,		1897				Elizabeth Collins, Aug. 1931 to Jan. 1932
Mac. M. Black,		1898	to	"	1900.	
Irvin Lindsley,		1901	to	"	1903.	John H. Hodgson, Jan. 1932 to 1948.
Fred. N. Gadsby,	Jan.	1904	to	Mar.	1904.	
Duncan McRae,	March,	1904	to	Dec.	1904.	
Edgar Vincent,	Jan.	1905	to	"	1906.	
Mac. M. Black,	Jan.	1907	to	"	1908.	
John E. Lindsay,	Jan.	1909	to	"	1911.	
Mac. M. Black,	Jan.	1912				
John E. Lindsay,		1913				
Ernest A. Bryce,	"	1914	to	"	1917.	
Arthur Barons,	"	1918	to	"	1924.	
K. M. Sinclair,	"	1925	to	"	1927.	
A. S. Newell,	"	1928	to	"	1933.	
Lisgar Koyle,	"	1934	to	"	1938.	
George Craik,	"	1939	to	"	1942.	
Tyler Leeson,	"	1943				
Fred S. Shively,	"	1944	to	"	1947.	

Wardens - Dr. J. B. Mills. - 1882

Arthur Barons. 1924

Fred Shively 1946

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Jack Hodgson 1972 son of former clerk

In the cemetery just north of W. J. Kilpatrick's store are buried the Rev. Charles Pettys and wife and most of the early settlers. This cemetery is crown land. The house now owned by Arthur Beech was formerly Rev Pettys manse and is the oldest house in Springfield.

The first doctor in the village was Dr Alfred a southern skeddaddler who came at the time of the war between the north and southern states. Since then there has been Dr Mills, Newell, Franklin, McEwen, Suffolk Baker, Shaw - Douglas, Shaw, Black, Carlton, Thompson, McNeice, ^{Haw} Ferguson & ^{W.D.} Freeman.



Sunday School picnic leaving for Port Stanley.



Hockey rink 1939