TOWN OF STRASBOURG (S) NEWSLETTER

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UPCOMING DATES

1% Penalty to Tax Arrears *Thursday, October 1*

Town Landfill Open – Branches, Leaves Saturday, October 3, 9:00-noon Saturday, October 10, 9:00-noon Saturday, October 17, 9:00-noon Saturday, October 24, 9:00-noon

Admin Office Closed Monday, October 12

Town Council Meeting Wednesday, October 14 @ 7:00 p.m.

Ratepayer Appreciation Day Friday, October 23 from 2-4 p.m.

Last day for 3% Tax Discount Saturday, October 31

1% Penalty to Tax Arrears Sunday, November 1

Admin Office Closed Wednesday, November 11

Town Council Meeting
Thursday, November 12 @ 7:00 p.m.
*NOTE DATE CHANGE

4th Quarter Water Bills Due *Monday, November 16*

Volunteer Recognition Night Saturday, November 21 at 7:30 p.m.

Last day for 2% Tax Discount Monday, November 30

1% Penalty to Tax Arrears *Tuesday, December 1*

Town Council Meeting Wednesday, December 9 @ 7:00 p.m.

Admin Office Closed

Dec 24 at 12:00 p.m., Dec 25, Dec 28,

Dec 31 @ 12:00 p.m., January 1

2015 Taxes Due - Dec 31 at 12:00 p.m.

FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR'S DESK

As we head into the fall and winter seasons, the bylaw enforcement officer (BEO) program will be winding down. The Town Council felt that this was a successful program and that the Town has never looked better. I know that some ratepayers will disagree with this statement, and comments have been made that we are becoming too much like a city with all the rules that have been implemented. In response to this, those rules have always been in place, just never enforced effectively. We now have the vessel to do just that. The goal is to educate, but compliance is still expected. Just because we live in a small community, it does not exempt any one property owner or tenant from not abiding by the laws set out and keeping our community beautiful. The laws are there for the protection, safety, and enjoyment of the rest of the Town ratepayers. While some laws seem unfair or rigid to one person, ten people may see the law as necessary and important to be enforced. Council thanks those who actively complied with the BEO. The program will be continuing early next spring.

The Town is going to be opening up the Town Landfill for four (4) Saturdays in October from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. This is for fall waste only including branches, leaves, and grass clippings. There is absolutely no garbage or junk allowed. The loads will be inspected by a Public Works employee and all bagged leaves and grass will have to be emptied into the pit, as plastic cannot be burned.

Lastly, the Town of Strasbourg, with the help of the Strasbourg Memorial Hall Board, will be hosting a Volunteer Recognition Night on Saturday, November 21 at 7:30 p.m. in the Lower Hall. This event is open to the public. Cost of tickets are \$10.00 and there will be a cash bar available. Volunteer groups around the Town will be honoured that night for their contributions to our community. Look for future advertising!

Jenn Josephson, Administrator



OFFICE LUNCH HOUR

The Town Office is open over lunch for your convenience!



FALL CLEANUP DAYS
TOWN LANDFILL

For four (4) Saturdays in October, Town residents are able to use the Town landfill (north of golf course) for their BRANCHES, LEAVES, & GRASS CLIPPINGS ONLY. No garbage or junk. Landfill will be manned and loads will be inspected. Plastic bags filled with leaves and grass will have to be opened and emptied into the pit as plastic cannot be burned.

Dates:

Saturday, October 3 – 9-noon Saturday, October 10 – 9-noon Saturday, October 17 – 9-noon Saturday, October 24 – 9-noon

WATER RATES 2016

Beginning January 1, 2016, residential quarterly water rates will increase to \$87.00 and quarterly sewer rates will increase to \$39.00 per residential unit. The infrastructure levy will remain at \$45.00 per quarter.



TAX DEDUCTIBLE RECEIPTS

Did you know that the Town can now offer tax deductible receipts? Any donation made to the Town, whether it is for the Museum, Hall, Cemetery, Green Space, or just a general donation, a tax deductible receipt will be issued to you. All we need is an address to which to send the receipt.



BATTERY & CELLPHONE RECYCLING

The Town now offers battery and cellphone recycling! Drop off your used batteries and cellphones at the Town Office during business hours. All types of small batteries accepted including

Nickel Cadmium, Lithium Ion, Small Lead Acid, Nickel Metal Hydride, Alkaline, and Nickel Zinc batteries. Batteries NOT ACCEPTED – Automotive and Wet-Cell Batteries.

Unsure if your batteries are accepted? Check out our website (www.townofstrasbourg.ca) and click the "Recycling" page under the "Town Office" heading for more information.

BUSINESS LICENSES FOR DIRECT SELLERS

As per Bylaw No. 292/05, any business or individual who comes to the Town of Strasbourg for door-to-door sales (alarm systems, furnace cleaners, etc.) requires a business license from the Town. As ratepayers, if you are unexpectedly visited by a direct seller at your home, do not hesitate to ask them to produce a copy of their Town-issued business license. Please contact the Town Office if you have a direct seller come to your home without a license.

RATEPAYER APPRECIATION DAY

Friday, October 23, 2015 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Strasbourg Municipal Office

Come have refreshments and visit with the Councillors, Administration, and Public Works staff!

