

TOWN OF STRASBOURG NEWSLETTER



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UPCOMING DATES

1% Penalty to Tax Arrears
Thursday, October 1

Yard Waste Mornings - Transfer Station
Saturday, October 3 - 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Saturday, October 10 - 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Saturday, October 17 - 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Saturday, October 24 - 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Sunday, November 1 - 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Admin Office Closed
Monday, October 12

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

Town Council Meeting - Memorial Hall
Wednesday, October 28 @ 7:00 p.m.

Last Day for 2% Tax Discount
Saturday, October 31

1% Penalty to Tax Arrears
Monday, November 1

Admin Office Closed
Wednesday, November 11

Town Council Meeting - Memorial Hall
Thursday, November 12 @ 7:00 p.m.

4th Quarter Water Bills Due
Monday, November 16

Town Council Meeting - Memorial Hall
Wednesday, November 25 @ 7:00 p.m.

Last Day for 1% Tax Discount
Monday, November 30

1% Penalty to Tax Arrears
Tuesday, December 1

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

Admin Office Closed
December 25 to January 3, 2021

FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR'S DESK

MEMORIAL HALL - The Strasbourg Memorial Hall has reopened to the public. There are extra costs involved for cleaning and disinfecting the Hall as per public health guidelines, and rental amounts have increased. Maximum public gathering sizes (currently 30 people) must be adhered to, regardless of the type of event.

FALL TRANSFER STATION DAYS - The Transfer Station will be open for yard waste on all Saturdays in October excluding October 31, which is moved to Sunday, November 1 for Halloween leaves.

ONLINE PAYMENT PROVIDERS - The Town now accepts Scotiabank and Central1 Credit Union as additional online payment providers for tax and utility accounts.

DRIVEWAY BYLAW - The Town recently passed a driveway regulation bylaw. The Town now requires residents to apply for a driveway permit (no charge) when a driveway is being constructed with asphalt or concrete as a means to save our Town infrastructure. We have found many examples of driveways where the Town's curbstops, sidewalks, and gutters have either been asphalted or concreted over. Not only can this disrupt the flow of water, it damages the infrastructure. As per the bylaw, ratepayers can be held responsible for damaged infrastructure due to improperly asphalted or concreted driveways.

NEW DOG LICENSING REQUIREMENTS - Beginning January 2021, the Town will only be requiring "lifetime licenses" for dogs. There will be a one-time fee charged for the lifetime of the pet. If your dog is already in our system, you will not be required to renew annually going forward. We hope that everyone will register their dog under this new system, as it allows us to quickly return a dog to their owner if they happen to be running at large. Any new dogs require a new tag and registration; the tags are not transferable to other dogs. There is also a small fee for a replacement tag (large and small tags are available).

UTILITY RATES - Beginning January 2021, water rates will increase \$3.00 a quarter, and the overage will increase to \$10.00 per 1,000 gallons over 10,000 gallons. (Overage rates have not been increased in almost two decades.) Sewer and infrastructure rates will remain the same.

Jenn Josephson
Administrator

2020 SUMMER/FALL TOWN TRANSFER STATION DAYS

Town of Strasbourg Residents Only

Town Transfer Station located 1 mile north of Golf Course

Yard Waste Days

(First Friday in July, August, & September; Saturdays in October)

Friday, July 3: 1-5

Friday, August 7: 1-5

Friday, September 4: 1-5

Saturday, October 3: 9-12 • Saturday, October 10: 9-12

Saturday, October 17: 9-12 • Saturday, October 24: 9-12

Sunday, November 1: 9-12 (Great for Halloween Leaves!)



- Only BRANCHES, LEAVES, & GRASS CLIPPINGS accepted.
- Bagged leaves and grass will have to be opened and emptied into pit, as plastic cannot be burned.
- Due to Covid-19 restrictions, the Public Works staff cannot help you unload.

REMINDER: CHRISTMAS OFFICE CLOSURE

Just a reminder that the Town Office will be closed from December 25, 2020 to January 3, 2021 inclusive. Taxes are due by December 31, 2020. If you wish to make a payment during that time, several options exist for you:

- Leave a post-dated cheque at the Office, drop a post-dated cheque in the lockbox outside of the office or mail a post-dated cheque for us to process when we are back.
- Leave us a credit card number and we will process the payment when we are back.
- Pay through online banking with your various financial institutions or use e-transfer.



MUNICIPAL ELECTION RESULTS

Call for nominations for Town Council were due October 7 and all seven (7) positions were acclaimed, meaning no vote will be held. The biographies, nomination forms, and public disclosure statements of all the acclaimed candidates are available for viewing on the Town's website www.townofstrasbourg.ca. The biographies are also posted in the window of the Town Office.

Town of Strasbourg Council 2020-2024

Mayor:

- Kelvin Schapansky (incumbant)

Council:

- Peter Barry (incumbant)
- Bo Black
- Lorne Gottselig (incumbant)
- Bernie Josephson (incumbant)
- Ashley Scholefield
- Rodger Yauck

ANNUAL SNOW REMOVAL REMINDERS

Below are just a few reminders for the upcoming winter regarding snow removal:

- Please refrain from blowing your property's snow onto the street or alley, especially after the streets have been cleaned.
- If you are concerned about your driveway being accidentally blocked with snow from the grader, **please put up visible stakes at the end of your driveway** so that the grader operator knows to lower the driveway wing and clear the snow.
- Please keep your paths to your residence clear so that any emergency personnel (ambulance, fire, police, EMO volunteers) are able to reach you in your home.
- Lastly, after a snowfall, please remove vehicles from the street so that the grader can clean the area effectively. Otherwise, the vehicles will become blocked with snow, and the Town will not be held responsible for this inconvenience.

