



Free Trees!

Saturday, October 5th
9am – 12 noon
All sizes of native white pine

Come and dig up as many as you need (they need to be cleared out) – on Elm Road in Park Cemetery. Watch for the flagged area.

What a perfect opportunity to register a tree for the 100 Trees: 100 Years campaign!

Greenhouse Gas Emissions Survey

On Friday, September 27th people around the world participated in or watched for news of the global climate strikes. We know that this is an important issue to the residents of the Town of Mahone Bay - if you haven't yet had an opportunity to respond to the Greenhouse Gas Emissions survey, please do so. Help us to shape the way forward for Mahone Bay.

Access the online survey on our website or our facebook page.



Committee Vacancy

We have an immediate vacancy on the Planning Advisory Committee. Please visit the Town website or contact Town Hall for information on the committee and to find out how to apply.

Mahone Bay Mayors



Mayor Basil Eisenhauer

We are still looking for photos of Mahone Bay's past mayors – do you have any? We know they're out there and we would love to hear from you.



We Love Mahone Bay

When Hurricane Dorian left people without power for up to a week (or more in isolated cases) in neighbouring communities,

Mahone Bay put out the welcome mat. We've had some press coverage about businesses opening their doors for those who needed a cup of coffee, a place to charge their phones, a place to gather, and even a hot meal. Behind the scenes at Town Hall, we saw a spike in water usage as residents opened their homes to friends and neighbours who needed to get cleaned up and fill water jugs. It really is great to be in Mahone Bay – the neighbors are fantastic!

Upcoming Meetings

- ✓ October 8th, 7pm: Council Meeting
- ✓ October 9th, 5:30pm: Heritage Advisory Committee
- ✓ October 16th, 1pm: Economic Development Committee
- ✓ October 22nd, 7pm: Planning Advisory Committee
- ✓ October 24th, 6pm: Police Advisory Board
- ✓ October 24th, 7pm: Council Meeting
- ✓ October 28th, 7pm; Age Friendly Community Committee



We launched our CodeRED notification system on September 3rd and were able to use it during the Hurricane. If you have not yet done so, please go to our website and register by clicking on the CodeRED logo. If you know of anyone who has not yet registered, please share the news and we are always happy to help if someone needs assistance.

Mayor's Newsletter

October 2019

Mahone Bay, NS

Centennial Tree Planting

The Town was pleased to plant four trees on September 25th to mark our Centennial Year.



(L-R) Valerie Hearder, Melissa Labrador, Mayor Devenne, and Cathy Gregoire.

Mayor Devenne was joined by Valerie Hearder from Talking Trees and Cathy Gregoire from the Mahone Bay Garden Society, our

partners in the 100 Trees: 100 Years campaign. We were also honoured to have Melissa Labrador of the Mik'maw First Nation join our Talking Trees partners in tree planting and speak to the importance of trees in Mik'maq culture.

If you do not have space to plant a tree yourself or if



The Croft family planted the first donated tree, in memory of Donald and Marie Croft. Pictured are David Croft, Judy Joudrey, John Croft and Mayor Devenne. Missing from photo: Ken Croft.

you are otherwise unable, please contact Town Hall about how you can donate a tree as part of the 100 Trees: 100 Years Campaign.

Mahone Bay Day

Mahone Bay Day, on Saturday, September 14th



Free hot dogs and hamburgers donated by the Mahone Bay and Area Lions Club!

was a great success!



Jamie Junger was a big hit!



Town Council and the yummy Centennial

The Michael O'Connor Memorial Bandstand

At their September 26th meeting, Council approved a request to rename the Town bandstand **The Michael O'Connor Memorial Bandstand** as part of the Centennial restoration. Watch for Phase II which includes accessibility and roof upgrades!

Centennial Mural

The Town is pleased to have the talented muralist Peter Matyas share his skills to create this beautiful Heritage scene on the RPS building.

Both the Mural and Bandstand projects are accepting donations – donors will be issued a charitable receipt and be recognized on signage thanking all who made these projects possible.

In 2021 we will celebrate the centennial of the Mahone Bay and District Fire Department. One of the earliest activities undertaken in our then new town was to create a Volunteer Fire Department. Citizens were united in the spirit of common service to help one another in time of emergency.

All our firefighters for the ensuing 99 years have been volunteers...citizens just like you who choose to give of their time to serve others. Most of our volunteers have full time jobs, families and other personal commitments which make their volunteer efforts a complex and demanding venture...but also rewarding. Over the years the MBDFD volunteers have continued to attend training and to prepare themselves to be able to perform their dangerous tasks. Today's firefighters are frequently called on as first responders to assist citizens and strangers in times of accident or medical duress.

The current roster of volunteers is getting smaller as age and other health issues take their toll. Our fire department needs some younger citizens to supplement their ranks. Now is the time to choose to get involved and help your community.



If you are interested to be part of the history of the next 100 years of the Mahone Bay and District Fire Department, contact Fire Chief Richard Nowe at 902-624-8723 or the MBDFD office at 902-624-8347.


David W. Devenne
Mayor

Small changes with a big impact

Kinburn Pharmasave is a big part of life in Mahone Bay, and they have been taking steps to be more conscious of their footprint in the community. Having completed a review of their space and practices with St. Mary's University last year, one small change with a big impact is the switch to paper shopping bags.



Mayor Devenne and Anil Chakraborty, display the Kinburn Pharmasave's new paper shopping bags.

Front Store Manager Anil Chakraborty explained that while most people have reusable shopping bags, they so frequently forget them that the Pharmasave now carries paper bags in 5, 10, and 40lb sizes and they are still looking into options for paper bags with handles. Chakraborty explained that not only are the bags recyclable, but they are also useful as compost liners

Do you know a business in Mahone Bay that is making an effort to be earth-friendly? Let us know at: clerk@townofmahonebay.ca

Free Seasonal Flu Vaccine Clinic

The Town of Mahone Bay is pleased to partner once again with Kinburn Pharmasave to offer a free seasonal flu vaccine clinic in Mahone Bay.

Wednesday, October 30
Mahone Bay Fire Hall (Kinburn Street)
4:00pm – 7:30pm

Watch for more information or contact Kinburn Pharmasave to register.

Hurricane Dorian

On Saturday, September 7, 2019 Hurricane Dorian landed in Nova Scotia and caused a lot of trouble in Mahone Bay. We were lucky in Mahone Bay in that our power outages were, for the most part, isolated. Unfortunately, some of damage to electrical equipment from downed trees and limbs required extensive repair, leaving a small number of our neighbours without power long after most of Mahone Bay was back to normal.

As the Hurricane passed offshore, high tide brought the ocean up to and over parking lots, the wharf, parts of Edgewater Street and up and out of the overtaxed storm-water drains. Manhole covers rose up from the volume of water and basements flooded as the huge volume of water saturated the ground.

Make sure you are prepared

Hurricane Dorian was a reminder of the need to be prepared for an emergency. Make sure that you are ready to shelter-in-place for 72 hours. Find the Shelter-in-Place brochure as well as the 72 Hour Guide on the Emergency Services page on our website.

What can you do in your household to prepare for the potential of not having power for 72 hours? What alternatives are in place for cooking and heating? What about food that doesn't need refrigeration?

Just in case:

- ✓ Be aware of updates on social media and via the CodeRED notification system.
- ✓ If a Comfort Centre is opened, the Town will use CKBW as a way to get information out to the public
- ✓ If you do experience a power outage, please report it so we know – it may be a localized outage.

Thank you, Cemetery Volunteers!

Have you seen the Bayview Cemetery digital map on our website? We're very proud of it, and we even won a heritage award for it. Map users can search any stone in Bayview cemetery, and they can find it's exact location, the inscribed



L-R: Ingrid Crouse; Linda Caulfield; John Caulfield; Mayor Devenne; Bob Sayer; Trish Sayer

information, and even see a picture of the stone. The map was created with GIS technology – but it was a team of volunteers that captured the data and took the pictures of the more than 700 stones.

On September 16, 2019, Mayor Devenne presented a letter of thanks to the Bayview Cemetery Volunteers.

While not all could attend, they are all valued for their work on this remarkable project.

Father Christmas is coming!

November 29th – December 8th

Joy is in season!
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Kudos, Scarecrow Festival and Antiques Fair!

This past weekend people came to Mahone Bay in droves to admire the amazing Scarecrows, shop for antiques, and take part in the many other activities put together by the hard work of volunteers in our community. Well done!

