

Mayor's Newsletter

April 2021 Mahone Bay, NS



Congratulations!

Please join us in congratulating Lynn Hennigar, Mahone Bay's 2021 Representative Volunteer!

Lynn is a tireless volunteer who dedicates so much of her time to making Mahone Bay,

and our surrounding community, a more happy, successful and healthy home.

Thank you, Lynn!

Heritage Advisory Committee Seeking Community Member

Do you have an interest in Mahone Bay's built heritage?



The Town's Heritage Advisory Committee is seeking a Mahone Bay citizen to join its membership. To find out how to apply, call Town Hall or check out the Committees page of the Town's website.

Police Advisory Board Seeking Provincial Appointment

There is an opening on the Town of Mahone Bay Police Advisory Board for a Provincial Appointment.



To learn more about Ministerial Appointments and to apply for this position please visit novascotia.ca/exec.council/abc

Town Hall Renovation Update

We are very excited about the changes happening in our beloved building and can't wait until you can come and visit us there!

Like any old building, Town Hall needs some attention. Important safety upgrades include attention to water damage on the front side of the building. This means that the street-face of Town Hall will get an update this year, but we are not giving the exterior a completed update as part of this project.

Accessibility and safety upgrades are also a part of this project. We are looking forward to being able to welcome everyone to Town Hall, and especially looking forward to getting our public-facing staff back in the building. Our renovation will include changes to the way that the public enter and exit the building so that we can meet pandemic guidelines and also ensure that our essential workers are able to remain separated from the comings and goings of Town Hall.

Upgrades to windows, insulation and the addition of more heat pumps will help us to meet our goal of making Town Hall more energy efficient.

For everyone's safety, please avoid Town Hall during construction.



The Town's outdoor drop-box has been temporarily moved to the Mahone Bay Fire Hall at 184 Kinburn Street.

A Message from the Mayor

Mahone Bay is a dog friendly town where owners are encouraged to actively involve their furry family-members in our town activities.



Citizens have a right to

have and enjoy their pets. We see them walking together on the trails and on the sidewalks and in the green park areas of the town. The town helps to protect the animals by providing a license at no cost which helps to identify the owner when an animal is lost or in difficulty.

With every right there comes responsibility. A dog owner is responsible to ensure that their pet is contained on the owner's property. There is a responsibility to ensure that the dog is on a leash and under control of the person attending to them whenever the animal is off the owner's property. There is a responsibility to clean up after the animal and to dispose of the waste material appropriately. Public areas like sidewalks and playgrounds are not the place for piles of feces. And the bushes and trees of the trails are not appropriate for plastic baggies of waste.

Rights and responsibilities go hand in hand. Your rights are balanced by responsibilities. If you are a dog owner, it is up to you to be aware of the bylaws of the town and to ensure that you conduct yourself accordingly when you are out and about enjoying your pet.

Please ensure we continue to love dogs in Mahone Bay.

David W. Devenne

2021 Dog Tag

Send us the information:

Your name(s) Your Civic Address Your Phone Number(s) Dog's name

Breed Colour/Markings



...and we'll mail the tag to you!

<u>Outdoor Burning By-law</u>

The Town of Mahone Bay updated the Outdoor Burning By-law in 2020 to make it easier for residents to know what is permitted.

Highlights:

- The fire pit must be entirely surrounded by non-combustible materials (including the bottom of the fire pit) with a spark arrestor on top
- fires may not be lit in violation of provincial burning regulations and guidelines
- -only dry seasoned firewood may be burned, notwithstanding charcoal in barbeques. Check out the by-law specifics on the Town website at: www.townofmahonebay.ca/bylaws--policies

New Intersection Coming Soon!

One more reason to look forward to warmer weather? We are ready to put in a new 3way intersection at Clearway Street and Main Street once the weather is warm enough and the pavement is dry enough for work to proceed.



Watch for the new intersection coming soon!

Thank you Mahone Bay!

Thank you to all of the Mahone Bay residents who took time to provide us with feedback concerning our new





Greenhouse Gas Reduction Plan, and gave us some great ideas to help improve the Michael O'Connor Memorial Bandstand!

Community-Wide Bicycle Route

Have you read the CBCL Transportation Plan report and Bicycle NS Bikeway Concept Designs Report on the Plans & Reports page of the Town's website?

Watch for a call for participation in late spring/summer; we will be looking for public participation in the

development of a 2021/22 project for a community-wide, all-ages cycling route in Mahone Bay.



<u>Paper Bags</u>



Remember that leaves and yard waste will no longer be collected if they are placed curbside in plastic bags.

When you clean your yard this spring be sure to use paper bags or your green bin. Twigs and branches can also be bundled in 3' lengths.

△CodeRED[™]

Have you registered for CodeRED, the Town of Mahone Bay's mass notification system? You can register by clicking the CodeRED link on the home page of the Town's website or by contacting Town Hall.

NEW - Public Input Sessions

As part of the Town's newly amended Council Policy, there is now a 15 minute Public Input Session before every regular council meeting. If you have something to say to Council,



this is an excellent opportunity to do so. The link to the online session is available 3 business days prior to the meeting, it can be found on the Town's Facebook page and website.

Important Dates

*Council and Committee meetings continue to take place via videoconferencing due to Covid-19. Watch the livestream on the Town of Mahone Bay YouTube channel.

April 1st - 5th Office Closed

April 13th - Council Meeting - 7pm

April 14th - Heritage Advisory Committee

April 15th - Asset Management Committee

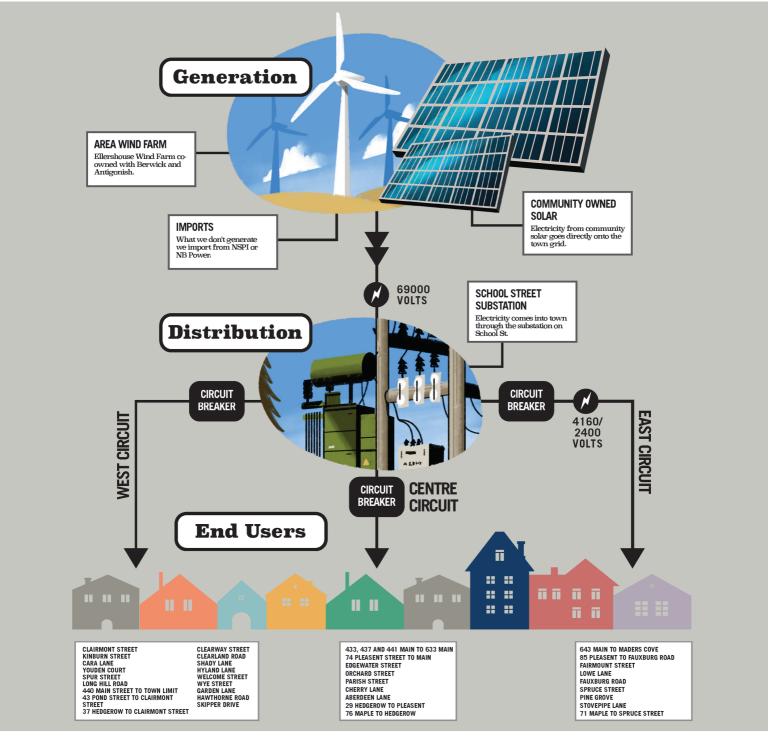
April 29th - Policy Advisory Board

April 29th - Council Meeting - 7pm

Electronic Newsletter

Have you signed up to get the Mayor's Newsletter by email? Enter your information using the prompt at the bottom of every website page.





How does your power get to your home?

The Town of Mahone Bay operates one of few municipal electric utilities in Atlantic Canada. Thanks to our locally-owned infrastructure and dedicated electrical staff our utility supplies residents and businesses with clean reliable power.





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