

## Winter Parking



Please remember that vehicles that obstruct snow clearing and/or winter road maintenance are in violation of the Motor

Vehicle Act and are subject to being ticketed and/or towed at the expense of the owner.

## New Speed Humps



Speed humps are now in place on Clairmont and Kinburn Streets!

There are six speed humps in total. Two are located on Clairmont Street and four are located on Kinburn street.

Speed humps are different than speed bumps in that they are a more gradual increase; the speed humps that have just been installed in Mahone Bay rise to a height of about 3 inches over a 5 foot distance, then decrease back to street level over another 5 foot distance.

## Dog Tags

Have you gotten your dog's 2022 Town of Mahone Bay dog tag yet?

FREE annual dog registration is mandatory as it helps connect dogs with their people fast.



The holder of 2022 Dog Tag #1, Finn Morse, is keen to help us remind all dog owners in Mahone Bay to get their dog registered. Either stop in to see us at Town Hall or contact us by phone or email to have a tag mailed to you.

## Natural Christmas Tree Collection

Natural Christmas tree and greenery collection will be held this year on January 10, 2022.

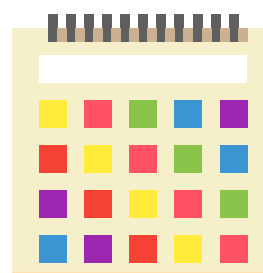


Once again the natural greenery from Mahone Bay will be delivered to a local farm where they will provide shelter, food and recreation for goats.

Please make sure your items are free of tinsel, wire, and ornaments. Any wires in garlands must be removed as part of regular solid-waste sorting.

## New Calendars

The Town of Mahone Bay 2022 Solid Waste and Council & Committee Meeting schedules have been delivered to all residents. If you would like an additional copy, please contact Town Hall.



## Message from the Mayor

This has been a momentous year in Mahone Bay and we can look forward to the completion of some big projects in 2022.

We will share in the opening of the new Fire Station. Originally expected to be opened in late 2021 but thanks to the fundraising efforts of our volunteer firefighters, Council approved the addition of a community space as part of the new build. This addition did extend the construction timeline but the addition of a fire hall will prove invaluable to the community.

In 2021, the team from Coastal Action began work on a living shoreline pilot project along Edgewater Street. The living shoreline is designed as a means to preserve our Edgewater Street shoreline and to protect the Highway 3 entrance to Mahone Bay. We anticipate the installation of a berm and wetland in the project area as part of the research into the benefits of a living shoreline as a means to mitigate damage from storm surge.

The Town Hall renovation project was another big part of the work of the Town in 2021. Town staff are happy to be back in our more functional and accessible space and continuing to work within public health guidelines. I am equally pleased to be back in the office to meet with you or offer virtual options to do so. Call Town Hall to share your concerns or ideas with me.

Mahone Bay continues to be a bustling community. As we end this year, I would thank all of the members of staff who have worked so diligently, in spite of COVID, to deliver the services and supports you require. Thank you as well to members of Council for their guidance and governance. And a personal thank you to the citizens of Mahone Bay who make our town what it is.

  
David W. Devenne  
Mayor

## Provincial Volunteers

The Province of NS is now accepting applications from NS residents to join ABCs (agency, board or commission).



Serving on one of Nova Scotia's 190 agencies, boards and commissions can help you grow personally and professionally while making a real impact on your community.

One of these vacancies is the provincial appointment to the Town of Mahone Bay's Police Advisory Board. To learn more about Provincial appointments and how you can apply, visit [novascotia.ca/abc](https://novascotia.ca/abc) or call 1-866-206-6844.

## Dog Waste Stations

We have installed 10 dog waste stations around Town. These stations supply dog waste bags and have an attached garbage can for disposal.



## View from a Plow

Please remember that snow removal equipment is very large and needs lots of space to maneuver. In most places, plows do not have room to drive around a parked vehicle. It is also important to remember that visibility from the driver's seat of the plow is very different than that of a personal vehicle.



**Please be sure to keep roads and sidewalks well clear for snow removal - for everyone's safety.**



## Electric Vehicle Charging Stations

Did you know that the Town is installing electric vehicle chargers throughout Mahone Bay? As part of the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Action Plan, eight new Level Two chargers will be installed in January! These chargers will provide up to 30 kilometres of range per hour of charging and will charge your vehicle 5 times faster than a standard home charger! They feature a J1772 connector, making them compatible with all models of fully electric and plug-in hybrid vehicles.



Adding electric vehicle chargers to the Town's infrastructure means that electric vehicle owners can charge up while taking in the local attractions. Electric vehicle owners will now also be able to take advantage of Mahone Bay's green energy, which receives 84% of its energy supply from non-emitting sources. This means that charging an electric vehicle in Mahone Bay results in fewer greenhouse gas emissions!

The chargers will be located at Town Hall, the Mahone Bay Centre, the Mahone Bay Civic Marina, the corner of Main St. and Clearway St., the new Fire Station, and on Clairmont St. They can be conveniently activated through the free FLO mobile app or a FLO access card.



These electric vehicle chargers are being installed as part of the Pan Maritime Provinces Municipal EV Charging Stations Initiative, with the goal of providing a diverse network of Level 2 Electric Vehicle charging stations throughout the Maritime provinces. 50% of the funding for this project was provided by Natural Resource Canada's Zero-Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Program.

## Food Bank Donations

At Christmas our local food banks get an influx of donations of food and money.



While this is a wonderful way to help people during the holidays, it is important to donate to the food bank all year round.

Please consider making regular financial or food donations in 2022.

## Can we Read your Meter?



Please ensure that your power and water meters are unobstructed so that staff have safe access to read and/or maintain your meter.

When removing snow from your driveways and walkways this winter, please remember to not pile snow in front of your meters. Off leash dogs can also impede staff's ability to safely access your meter.

## Trash to Cash

Trash 2 Cash 4 Charity is a local charity that collects refundable recyclables and donates the funds to the Mahone Bay and Area Food Bank and the 3 Churches Foundation. If you would like to donate your post holiday refundables to this great cause please contact JayMe Rowat, (902) 233-8358.



## Lutheran Church Parking Lot



In December the Town of Mahone Bay renewed a lease with St John's Lutheran Church for public use of the parking lot across from the church.



Have you registered for CodeRED, the Town of Mahone Bay's mass notification system?

This free service allows us to get emergency messages out into the community. You can register by clicking the CodeRED link on the home page of the Town's website.

## Public Input Sessions

As part of the Town's Council Policy, 15 minutes have been added ahead of each council meeting. If you have a question or concern that you would like to voice to Council, this is an excellent opportunity to do so.



The link to the session is available 3 business days prior to the meeting, it can be found on the Town's Facebook page and website.

## Upcoming Dates

**January 10** - Special Collection, Christmas trees and wreaths  
**January 11** - Town Council Meeting  
**January 12** - Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting  
**January 20** - Asset Management Committee Meeting  
**January 21** - Cemetery Committee Meeting  
**January 24** - Policy & Strategy Committee Meeting  
**January 27** - Police Advisory Board Meeting  
**January 27** - Town Council Meeting



**We wish you a happy, healthy, and prosperous 2022.**