

Mayor's Newsletter

April 2023 Mahone Bay, NS

Hi Neighbour!

The Mahone Bay Centre is hosting a "Hi Neighbour" potluck supper for



Mahone Bay and surrounding communities on Sunday, April 16th at 5 pm in the gymnasium.

This will be a good opportunity for new residents to meet and mingle with old-timers and spread the experience of "heart" for all of us.

The Mahone Bay Centre has asked that you RSVP by calling 902-624-0890 or by emailing welcome@mahonebaycentre.org.

Volunteer Awards

The Town of Mahone Bay is looking for it's 2023 Representative Volunteer.

If you know someone who has made an outstanding contribution to our town with their volunteerism and you would like to nominate them as the Town of Mahone Bay 2023 Representative Volunteer, please contact Town Hall or visit the Town's website, https://www.townofmahonebay.ca/administration.html, for a nomination form.

Nominations will be accepted until Friday, April 28th at 12:00pm.





Office of the Mayor

Logo Survey

What logo is right for the Town of Mahone Bay? The Town's Community Logo Development Steering Team wants to hear from you!



Visit https://www.townofmahone bay.ca/administration to find the link to the online survey. There's even a prize draw for people who complete the survey!

<u>Planting and Utility Lines</u>



Are you dreaming of your spring gardening? Keep in mind what you choose to plant near power lines as utility crews will need to trim to keep the power lines clear.

<u>Municipal Boundary Review</u>



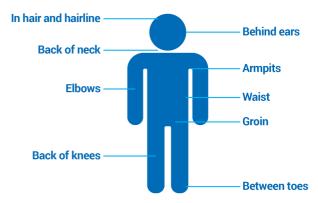
The Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board will be holding a virtual public hearing on April 14, 2023 concerning the Town of Mahone Bay's application to the

Board to confirm the number of councillors for the Town. To learn more visit www.townofmahonebay.ca/notices.

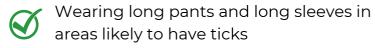
Check for Ticks

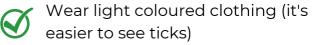
Spring is in the air! We're all excited to get out and enjoy the spring weather but we need to remember that with the return of warm weather comes the return of ticks.

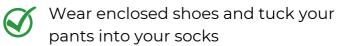
Blacklegged ticks, which often carry Lyme Disease, are very small so it's important to be diligent about checking yourself and your pets when you've been spending time outdoors. Ticks like warm places on the body, be sure to check these areas:

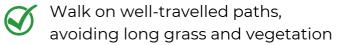


You can also reduce your risk by:











<u>Plan Mahone Bay Update</u>



On May 10th at 7pm at the new firehall, the Town of Mahone Bay will be hosting a Public Engagement Session on the new draft Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use Bylaw.

These documents are available for review on the Plan Mahone Bay website, www. planmahonebay.ca.

Access to Meters

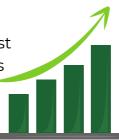


Please ensure that your power and water meters are unobstructed so that staff have safe access to read and/or maintain your meter.

When thinking of planting trees and putting in gardens this spring, please make sure that nothing is planted in front of meters. Off leash dogs can also impede staff's ability to safely conduct meter readings.

EV Statistics

Our electric vehicle chargers have been used over 1,198 hours since being installed last winter. This is allowing visitors to take advantage of our green energy while touring the Town!



You can find these chargers located at Town Hall, Clairmont Street (by the Pharmasave), Main Street (at Clearway), the Mahone Bay Centre, the Mahone Bay Civic Marina, and the new Fire Station.

Pilot Health Screening Project

Participation in the APPROACH 2.0 Study is now available at Kinburn Pharmacy.

This is a 3-year research project focuse on implementing sexually transmitted and blood-borne infection testing programs in community pharmacies.

APPROACH study participants are offered a choice of screening tests for HIV, hepatitis C and/or syphilis. You choose which test(s) you want. To learn more about this study or to register to participate visit approachstudy.ca or contact Kinburn Pharmacy.

Dog Tags



Introducing Zoe Veinotte! Zoe is the holder of 2023 dog tag #001.

Zoe wants to remind you to be sure and get your dog's new tag ASAP.

Annual Dog Registration is mandatory in Mahone Bay and FREE because we want to be sure that we have the most up to date information on your pooch. If your dog doesn't have their 2023 dog tag, come in today (Reminder: we have dog cookies!). Or you can email or phone and we can arrange to mail your tag to you.

Invitation to Serve

We still have openings for volunteers on the following committees: Asset Management Committee; Audit & Finance Committee;



Heritage Advisory Committee.

Learn more about these committees and how to apply on the Committee page of the Town's website www.townofmahonebay.ca /committees



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

The 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.

MBFD Recruitment



Are you looking for a way to serve your community? The Mahone Bay & District Fire Department is always on the lookout for new members

to join their ranks and offer an invaluable service to the community.

To learn more about the work of the Department or to find out how to join, send an email to

mbdfd.admin@townofmahonebay.ca

2023/24 Budget

Council has started their annual budget deliberation process. Budget meetings will be live streamed on the Town's YouTube Channel.



Public Input Session



The Public Input Session is a 15 minute session ahead of regular Council meetings.

It's an opportunity for you to share your opinions with Council.

<u>Upcoming Dates</u>

April 4 - PAC Meeting

April 7 - Office Closed (Good Friday)

April 10 - Office Closed (Easter Monday)

April 11 - Regular Council Meeting

April 12 - HAC Meeting

April 14 - Council Budget Meeting

April 20 - Asset Management Committee meeting

April 21 - Council Budget Meeting

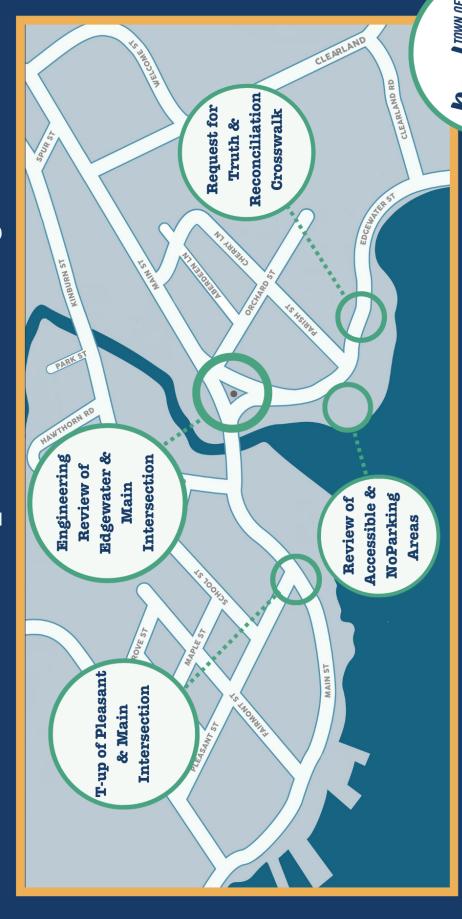
April 24 - Policy & Strategy Committee Meeting

April 27 - PAB Meeting

April 27 - Regular Council Meeting

April 28 - Council Budget Meeting

2023 Transportation Projects



New in 2023:

- T-Up of Pleasant & Main intersection to improve pedestrian and motorist safety
- Engineering Review of Edgewater & Main intersection to improve traffic flow for all users Request for Truth & Reconciliation Crosswalk from Parish of St James
- Review of Accessible & No Parking Areas to inform annual line painting

Prior-year highlights include: 3-way stop at Clearway & Main, new and improved crossings in various locations,

installation of speed radar signs, reduction in speed limits to 40 km/h on all streets other than Edgewater & Main and nstallation of speed humps on Clairmont, Kinburn, Pleasant and Fauxburg