

Mayor's Newsletter

May 2017

Mahone Bay, Nova Scotia

Spring Clean-Up May 15, 2017

Waste to be collected for Spring Clean-Up should be curbside no later than 8am on May 15th and no more than three days in advance.



Please remember to separate wood from your metal/landfill pile. Household hazardous waste will not be collected during spring clean-up, but can be dropped off with no charge at the waste site in Whynott's Settlement.

For more information on Spring Clean-Up regulations please go to <http://www.communityrecycling.ca/spring-fall-clean-up>

Natural Playground Community Sod Laying Day Saturday, May 13, 2017 10am – 12pm

check the facebook page for updates in case of rain

The Mahone Bay Playground Group invites you to bring the family and come play in the dirt as they complete the final touches on the playground. No experience is necessary.



Bring appropriate clothing and gear (gloves, hat, sunscreen, water, snack, etc) and be prepared to have fun!

For more information contact Kristen Martell at kristen@iocs.ca or visit www.facebook.com/mbplayground.



Do you have a new phone number? Did you cancel an old phone number? Do we have your email? Please make sure that Town Hall has your current contact information.

Helmet Safety



Everyone on a bicycle, skateboard or scooter must wear a bicycle helmet with the chin strap fastened – it's the law! People over 16 years of age can be charged (and fined) under the Motor Vehicle Act, and parents or

guardians of people under 16 can be charged if this law is broken.

A properly fitted and correctly worn helmet helps absorb the force of a crash or fall, drastically reducing the risk of serious head injury.



Emergency Preparedness Week May 3 -17, 2017

This year's theme for Emergency Preparedness Week is *Plan. Prepare. Be Aware.*



The theme is to encourage Canadians and their families to take action to prepare themselves during emergencies.

- Know the risks in your region
- Make a plan
- Get an emergency kit

For more information on preparing for emergencies, go to www.getprepared.gc.ca

Find a copy of the 72 Hour Guide and the locally produced Shelter-in-Place brochure on the Town website at www.townofmahonebay.ca/emergency-services.html

Road Construction Summer 2017



The Town has received tenders for the work to be done on Pleasant and Clairmont Streets this summer. Roads will be excavated for storm/wastewater separation and road reconstruction and we do expect significant traffic disruption due to this project.

More information will be released once the tenders have been reviewed.

Crosswalk Flags in Mahone Bay

Mahone Bay Town Council has approved crosswalk flag kits for the following crosswalks:

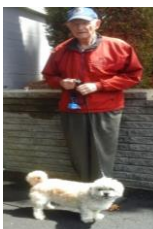


- Crossing Main Street at Clearway Street
- Crossing Main Street at Pleasant Street
- Crossing Pleasant Street at Main Street

A group to act as trustees is needed for each crosswalk. Trustees will be asked to:

- Visually inspect the crosswalk flag kits three times a week
- Ensure that flags are supplied and distributed evenly
- Ensure that kits are in good repair
- Check in with Town Hall when supplies or repairs are needed

If your group is interested in volunteering to be trustees for one of the crosswalks listed above, please contact Maureen at by phone at 902-624-8327 or at clerk@townofmahonebay.ca to find out more.



2017 Walk for Dog Guides

Sunday, May 28, 2017

Registration at Tiny Tots Playground at 1:30pm.

Pledge sheets will be available at the bank, Post Office and

Town Hall. For additional information call Lion Charles Uhlman at 902-624-9363.

Windfarm Project Phase 3 Approval



Another three wind turbines have been approved to be built at the Windfarm in Ellershouse which is owned by the Towns of Antigonish, Berwick and Mahone Bay.

The project is expected to be complete this fall. This will increase the amount of renewable energy used by our electric utility customers provided by the windfarm from 30% to 45%. Including the percentage of renewables included in purchases from Nova Scotia Power Inc., our utility will receive a total of 60% of energy used from Renewable Energy.

The Town and its partner municipalities are also considering Solar Projects for 2017.

Utility Rebate



As a result of reduced fuel costs to produce electricity, all customer of our electric utility will receive a credit on their bills. The rebate has many components to it and requires programming changes to our billing system to be able to apply the rebates.

The rebate is based on KWHs consumed and a household that uses 10,000KWH per year would receive approximately a \$23 credit on their bill.

We hope the credits will be processed beginning in June. This refund is similar to the refund issued by Nova Scotia Power Inc. to their customers at the end of March.

Have you ever been to a meeting of Council? A committee meeting? Watch our website for upcoming meeting dates!
<https://www.townofmahonebay.ca/>