



2025 Representative Volunteer

The Town of Mahone Bay invites nominations from the community to assist in selecting an outstanding volunteer to receive the 2025 Provincial Representative Volunteer Award.

The Volunteer Award is given to individuals from across the province who have made an outstanding contribution to the volunteer sector of their community. Municipalities, Towns and Villages select one volunteer who will come forward on behalf of all volunteers in their community to be recognized and receive the Representative Volunteer Award.

Representative Volunteers from across the province receive their awards during the Provincial Volunteer Awards Ceremony to be held in the fall of 2025.

Nominations are open to anyone who volunteers in Mahone Bay, who has not previously received the award. The representative volunteer will be selected by Council, following a review of the nominations by the Town's Nominating Committee.

To nominate a deserving volunteer from the community, please submit a completed nomination form which can be found at townofmahonebay.ca/administration or contact Town Hall. Nominations must be received no later than 12pm, Thursday, April 17th.

Volunteers Through the Years

Volunteer Week is April 27 - May 4 this year. The following is a list of Mahone Bay Representative Volunteers going back to 1989.

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| 2024 - Tim Merry | 2005 - Lenora Begin |
| 2023 - Karen Pinsent | 2004 - Barbara Miller |
| 2022 - Cara Muldoon | 2003 - Isobel Crossland |
| 2021 - Lynn Hennigar | 2002 - John Biebesheimer |
| 2020 - Val Hearder | 2001 - Tom Ernst |
| 2019 - Helen Whitehouse | 2000 - Peter Hall |
| 2018 - Michael O'Connor | 1999 - Cy Fear |
| 2017 - Lloyd Westhaver | 1998 - Andrew Veinotte |
| 2016 - Chris Wile | 1997 - Gary Langille |
| 2015 - Paul Seltzer | 1996 - C.J. Feeney |
| 2014 - Richard Nowe | 1995 - Scott Carnegy |
| 2012 - Charles Uhlman | 1993 - Phillip Smeltzer |
| 2011 - Cathie Slaughenwhite-Nowe | 1991 - Lila O'Connor |
| 2010 - Suzanne Lohnes-Croft | 1990 - Lise Munroe |
| 2009 - Tillie Biebesheimer | 1989 - Ethel Wood |

- 2008 - Robert Mader
- 2007 - Vicki Bardon
- 2006 - Lorne Pearse



Thank you to all the hard working volunteers in Mahone Bay, past and present, that make, and have made, Mahone Bay what it is today!

Message from the Mayor

Here we are, spring already, the time of April showers and National Volunteer Week! This year, National Volunteer Week is celebrated from April 27th to May 3rd. While we appreciate those who volunteer in our community all year long, Volunteer Week is an important time to celebrate and recognize them.

During National Volunteer Week, communities across Nova Scotia organize events and activities to celebrate volunteers. It's a time of recognizing and thanking citizens for their volunteer contributions.

When you volunteer, you are improving your community by enhancing the quality of life and you grow as a person while inspiring others. I have truly met the best of the best people through my volunteer work in Lunenburg County, the province and country.

So, when was the last time you volunteered? What motivated you? How did it go? What was your take-away? How invested were you? What is your favourite volunteer activity?

If you're interested in volunteering or recruiting volunteers, Volunteer Nova Scotia is a great resource as it connects volunteers to organizations. You can register your organization for recruitment or yourself as a volunteer. They offer many online training opportunities for organizations and volunteers. Check them out at volunteerns.ca

Acts of service, whether through volunteering, community engagement, or compassionate action, have the power to break down barriers, foster empathy, and lead to innovation and positive change. From all of us at Town Hall, we thank each and everyone of you who volunteer and contribute so much to the quality of life we enjoy in Mahone Bay.



Connecting with Council



There are many ways to connect with your Town Council. You can call Town Hall: 902-624-8327 and leave a message for a member of

Council to call back. You can also request to set up a meeting with any member of Council. Or, you can email: inquiries@townofmahonebay.ca with your request. Each Councillor has an individual email address as well, visit the Meet Council page of the Town's website for individual addresses.

Want something on the record? Write a letter to Council to appear on an agenda: PO Box 530, Mahone Bay, NS B0J 2E0, or email to clerk@townofmahonebay.ca

Come to a Council meeting and share your ideas or concerns during the Public Engagement section, or, you can arrange to make a presentation to Council by contacting Kelly Munroe, Town Clerk: clerk@townofmahonebay.ca 902-624-8327

2025-26 Budget Deliberations



Council will begin their annual budget deliberation process this month. Budget meetings will be held in Council Chambers and live streamed on the Town's YouTube channel.

To see the budget meeting dates, check out the Upcoming Dates section below.

Off Highway Vehicles

A reminder that it is illegal to drive off highway vehicles on any street within the Town of Mahone Bay limits.



Call the RCMP to report off highway vehicles observed on Town streets, 902-634-8674.

Call for Volunteers

The Mahone Bay Museum is looking for volunteers for both their annual Home & Garden Tour and general board and committee members.



For the Home & Garden tour they're seeking tour hosts and parking attendants. Tour dates are June 7th & 8th, shifts are 2.5 hours long.

The Museum is also looking to fill the positions of Board Secretary, General Board Member, Retail Committee Members and Buildings & Grounds Committee Members.

To learn more and apply online visit mahonebaymuseum.com/volunteer or call 902-624-6263.

Time Limited Parking

Beginning June 1st, time limited parking signage will be erected in the commercial core of Main Street and a portion of Clearway Street. Parking on Main Street will be limited to 2 hours during the peak season. Parking along the sidewalk on Clearway Street will be limited to 15 minutes for school drop offs.

Under Construction

We're sure everyone has noticed the construction at our beloved Town Hall.



The exterior of our Municipally Registered Heritage Building has been needing attention for some time. We're so excited for the final result which includes making it look more like it did 100 years ago with classic looking windows and a new front door.

Are you interested in Mahone Bay Heritage Properties? Or want to learn more about registering your own home as a Municipal Heritage Property? Visit townofmahonebay.ca/heritage-properties or contact Town Hall.

Edgewater Street Project



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April will be a busy month as the Edgewater Street Project construction begins!

Have you checked out the concept video on our YouTube Channel? A link to the video can be found at townofmahonebay.ca/edgewater-street-project.

Have questions about the project? Email projects@townofmahonebay.ca or call Town Hall.

Meeting with the Mayor



Do you have something you would like to discuss with Mayor Lohnes-Croft?

She's always happy to meet with residents to discuss their opinions or concerns. Meetings can be scheduled in Town Hall. Call 902-624-8327 or email suzanne.lohnes-croft@townofmahonebay.ca to set up a day and time!

Upcoming Dates

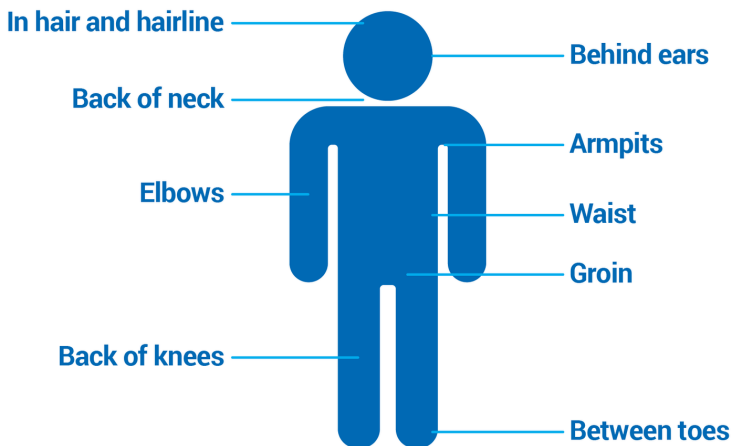
- April 8 - Council Meeting 9am
- April 9 - Heritage Advisory Committee
- April 10 - Cemetery Committee
- April 11 - Council Budget Meeting 9am
- April 15 - Council Budget Meeting 9am
- April 17 - Asset Management Committee
- April 18 - Office Closed (Good Friday)
- April 21 - Office Closed (Easter Monday)
- April 24 - Police Advisory Board
- April 24 - Council Meeting 7pm
- April 25 - Council Budget Meeting 9am
- April 28 - Policy & Strategy Committee
- April 29 - Council Budget Meeting 9am

Tick Safety

Spring is here! 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.

Nova Scotia has many types of ticks but the one of most concern for the spread of Lyme Disease is the blacklegged tick.

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



You can also reduce your risk by:

- ✓ Wearing long pants and long sleeves in areas likely to have ticks
- ✓ Wear light coloured clothing (it's easier to see ticks)
- ✓ Wear enclosed shoes and tuck your pants into your socks
- ✓ Walk on well-travelled paths, avoiding long grass and vegetation
- ✓ Apply insect repellents containing Deet or Icaridin to exposed skin and clothes

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.

Paying by E-transfer

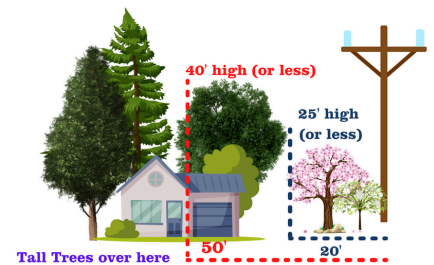


Please remember when sending an e-transfer payment to the Town, we need information on who is making the payment and what it is for. This information should be added to the message section when completing your transfer. Without this information we might not be able to apply your payment to your account.

Planting and Utility Lines

As you plan your garden and landscaping this spring, keep in mind what you choose to plant near power lines. Shorter plantings prevent the need for Town crews to trim them later.

Planting Near Power Lines



Have you signed up for the electronic version of the Town Hall News? Signing up is easy, just scroll to the bottom of the homepage at townofmahonebay.ca

