

Mayor's Newsletter

December 2018

Mahone Bay, Nova Scotia

Message from the Mayor

We are very fortunate to be living here in Mahone Bay. We are able to live the lifestyle we choose. We can count on having secure housing, clean water, reliable power and food on our table. We have family, friends and neighbours close by - people to count on when it is needed and to share the warmth of the spirit of the season.

The spirit of the season would be a dim light indeed if we kept it only within ourselves. To the contrary, we must let it out for it to thrive. We must share our spirit for the season and good will with others through our deeds and interactions. We are all the better for it.

This holiday season look to your neighbour and share the joys of the season with them. If you know of someone who may be alone or lonely this year, bring them into your life for a brief respite. Perhaps someone who has lost the focus for life in Mahone Bay or someone who is in need of some of your personal assistance, make it your task to reach out to that person. Even a donation to the 'much in demand' Mahone Bay Food Bank can help provide sustenance and assistance for a neighbour. And for some it can truly bring a little joy in a difficult time.

On behalf of the members of Town Council and the Town Hall staff who work so diligently on your behalf, I wish you, your families and friends the very best for the holiday season and the wish that we all take the opportunity to 'share the spirit of the season'.


David W. Devenne
Mayor

Important Dates

- Town Hall will be closed on December 24th, 25th, 26th and January 1st
- Christmas Tree Collection January 7, 2019
- Next Council Meeting: January 8, 2019

Thank you, Volunteers!!

A big thank you to the organizers and volunteers of the 2018 Father Christmas Festival! The festival is a fun and festive start to our holiday season in Mahone Bay and welcomes a great number of people to share the season in Mahone Bay. Thanks to all involved for another great year.

We were able to once again celebrate together as a community at the tree lighting ceremony before we lost the Town tree in an intense wind storm. A special thank you to the Chamber of Commerce for the new lights on the tree and, as always, to Tom Ernst for the donation of a locally grown tree.



Winter Parking Ban



The Town of Mahone Bay follows the winter parking ban, in accordance with Section 139 of the Motor Vehicle Act.

Vehicles that obstruct winter road maintenance will be ticketed or towed away at the owner's expense.

New Year's Levee

January 1, 2019

12:30 – 2:30pm

Please join us at the New Year's Levee on January 1st.

This event is jointly sponsored by the Town of Mahone Bay, the Mahone Bay Legion Branch #49, the Mahone Bay and District Fire Department and the Mahone Bay and Area Lions Club.



Survey Results

Congratulations to Connie Muzzati for being our first winner in the random draw for survey participants. Our first survey in November 2018 gave us some great information!



This is what we learned:

1. People love the beauty of our town, the walkability, sense of place and the many festivals and activities.
2. We have a very socially active community and it was suggested that the Town can continue to engage people by developing the Town's potential and increasing publicity of opportunities for residents to be involved in the Town.
3. People are most interested in learning more about the Town's utilities.

This is great feedback – thank you to all who participated!

Stay tuned for our January survey and enjoy the holiday break!

Calendar

Watch for your 2019 Meeting Schedule and Waste Collection Schedule to be in your mailbox soon!

2019 Dog Tags are here!



Dolly is wearing 2019 dog tag #001

The 2019 Dog Tags are now available at Town Hall and are FREE to residents of the Town. All dogs within the Town must be registered and wear a Dog Tag – please register your dog as soon as possible.

Mahone Bay Community Resiliency Pilot A Regional Emergency Management Organization Initiative.

- Plan, Respond, Recover
- Neighbour help Neighbour
- Self-preparedness
- Sharing what's needed
- Risk Analysis
- Strengthen Resources
- Asset Mapping
- Protect what's important

Let's build a
Community
Climate Resilient
Neighbourhood
in Mahone Bay.
January 15th
6:00 – 8:00pm
Mahone Bay
Centre

Committee Applications



Have you seen the application forms to apply to serve on Town Committees? Applications are still being accepted until December 21st.

For a description of each committee and an application form, please go to our website at www.townofmahonebay.ca or contact the office.

Food Bank

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Food Bank box at Town Hall. We are still collecting donations for the Food Bank as this is an especially busy time of year. If you are able to donate, we encourage you to do so, either at Town Hall or one of the other donation spots to support the Mahone Bay and Area Food Bank.



Did you change your phone number? Do we have your email address? Please make sure that Town Hall has your current contact information. Call us at 902-624-8327 or email clerk@townofmahonebay.ca