

NEWSLETTER

WINTER 2020

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Happy Holidays!



*May the magic of the Christmas Season stay with
you throughout the coming year.*



LOBSTER TRAP CHRISTMAS TREE

Our Lobster Trap Christmas Tree is located at the Cape Sable Island Causeway. Each year, we light the tree just prior to dumping day. We hope you take the time to visit the tree this year and be reminded of the community spirit, heritage and traditions it represents.



LOBSTER SEASON 2020/21

The Municipal Council and staff want to wish our fishermen and women in Districts 33 and 34, a safe and prosperous lobster season.



Lobster Trap Tree Photo - Ken Chetwynd
Cape Islander Boat Photo - Brandon Blades

OFFICE HOURS
MON - FRI - 8:30 - 4:30
TAX OFFICE CLOSSES AT 4PM DAILY
CLOSED FOR LUNCH
12 - 1PM

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902-637-2015
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2447 HIGHWAY 3,
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WARDEN'S MESSAGE

EDDIE NICKERSON - DISTRICT 4

Warden Eddie Nickerson is a lifelong resident of Cape Sable Island. Presently he is living in South Side with his wife, Tina and youngest daughter Gracie, while their oldest daughter Hannah is attending Acadia University.

Eddie is presently employed as the General Manager of Boston Lobster Canada, a lobster holding facility in Newellton.

Serving his 3rd term as Warden, he is committed to improving the municipality for all to enjoy a quality lifestyle. Eddie urges residents to reach out and share their ideas that will move the municipality forward. Eddie understands the importance of the fishing industry to our economy, as well as the many small business that contribute to the success and prosperity of our communities.

He would like to extend a warm welcome to explore the Lobster Capital of Canada.

Another holiday season is already upon us but this one will be unlike any other. Holiday celebrations this year will likely need to be different to continue our efforts in preventing the spread of COVID-19. We have fared quite well in our area, but the COVID-19 pandemic seems to be worsening in many parts of Canada, and small household gatherings are an important contributor to the rise in cases. This holiday season consider how your holiday plans can be modified to reduce the spread of COVID-19 to keep your friends, families, and communities healthy and safe. During this unusual holiday season, remember to also think of those in your community who might need extra help.

Looking back on the past year, the Municipality has shared the many challenges and uncertainties that you have faced which forced us to adjust to our new normal. We did our best to continue providing the municipal services and programs all while abiding by the Public Health directives.

Despite COVID-19, the Municipality was able to move forward on important projects. Most notably are the two announcements made relating to internet improvement. With a \$443,925 investment by the Municipality, approximately 950 homes and businesses between Charlesville and Doctor's Cove and another approximately 850 homes and business in the Eastern part of our Municipality will get access to Bell's all-fibre network. After the completion of this project, more than 90% of the Municipality will have access to high-speed Internet. Another highlight was the continuation of our efforts to enhance the accessibility and amenities at our beaches. We completed the parking area project at Stoney Island Beach, developed and installed new beach signage throughout the Municipality and worked on developing conceptual designs for future projects. Through these projects and many community events, our Municipality has come together, once again, to provide an ocean of opportunity to live, work and play.

Finally, for those fortunate to be home with their family and friends during this holiday season, cherish the time you have with them and be safe. To all who are spending the holidays away from home, but who may be reading this message, I hope you are able to celebrate in your own way and I wish you holiday greetings from the Municipality.

On behalf of Council and our dedicated municipal staff, I also wish everyone a joyful, peaceful, healthy, and prosperous New Year! We look forward with anticipation to 2021.

Enjoy the newsletter.

Eddie Nickerson



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MEET THE REST OF THE COUNCILLORS



George El-Jakl - District 1

Councillor George El-Jakl lives in Wood's Harbour with his wife Hala and two sons. George owns his own business, Anthony's Food Market & Wood's Harbour Pizza, located in the beautiful fishing village of Wood's Harbour. George enjoys volunteering his time in his community, which includes his time as a volunteer firefighter with the Wood's Harbour Shag Harbour Volunteer Fire Department. George believes in the concept of the African Proverb - "If you want to go fast, go alone, if you want to go far, go together."



Andrea Mood-Nickerson - District 2

Councillor Andrea Mood-Nickerson resides in Barrington with her husband, Andrew. They have three wonderful children; Kattiann, Sidney, and Jackie. Two beautiful grandchildren; Jace and Jack. Councillor Mood-Nickerson has volunteered on a variety of committees and organizations throughout her lifetime. She served on them to improve and enhance our community. Her platform is to "Improve our Community - TOGETHER!". This is communicating collaboratively together for the better of all. She wants to open those lines of communication so we are all aware of what is happening in our Municipality. Having conversations with each other and discussing how we are going to be proactive and move forward as a community.



Shaun Hatfield - District 3

Councillor Hatfield started serving people as a child at his father's general store - Hatfield's Market. He has also served his Cape Island community for over two decades as a Pastor and family/relationship counsellor. His vocation has given him the privilege to share in some of the most intimate and tender human moments. Shaun believes that trust is the most sacred thing people can extend to each other, and that it is important for local government to honour public trust by valuing community needs above all else. Therefore, Shaun is passionate about community health and development within the Municipality of Barrington. Shaun is currently serving his fourth term on Council. He is especially motivated to advocate for "the little guy" or any group which is marginalized and underrepresented in community. Shaun is likewise passionate about sticking up for rural areas when it comes to community growth, economic development, communication and transportation needs, and health care/essential services. On a personal note, Shaun is an avid long distance runner and loves to swim year round in the Atlantic Ocean. Shaun and his wife, Carla, reside at Villagedale, N.S.



Deputy Warden, Jody Crook - District 5

Deputy Warden Crook lives in Barrington, on the Villagedale Road, with his wife Lea Jane Smith.

Jody was born and raised in Port La Tour with his family. After High School, Jody obtained his Bachelor of Commerce Degree at Saint Mary's University in Halifax, NS. After University, Jody returned home and found a position as Office Manager with Kenney & Ross Limited, located in Port Saxon. In 2010, Jody became the Vice President and General Manager of Kenney & Ross Limited.

Municipal Politics have been a passion over the past several years. Jody ran for Councillor several terms ago, with success in 2012.

Being an active member with the community has been very pleasing. The opportunity to help with moving the Municipality forward is very rewarding.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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Rentals - The Recreation Centre can be rented for birthday parties, baby showers, wedding showers, etc. Call the Rec. Dept. to make arrangements - 902-637-2015.

The Kids Fair Play FUNd mission is to provide recreational opportunities for all kids in Shelburne County in a number of ways: financial, travel, equipment and making connections. The Kids Fair Play FUNd will assist kids in any recreation and sport activity. Call the Rec. Dept. for more information.

Southshoreconnect.ca is used by municipal recreation departments on the South Shore that service providers, residents and visitors are able to easily locate the local recreation, outdoor, sport and active living options across the region. If you feel your club or organization can contribute to this site please contact the Rec. Department.



sELFie CHALLENGE

November 26th – December 23rd
Take your Elfie Self on an
adventure around the Municipality
of Barrington and win!

Reindeer Dash

Virtual event. December 12 & 13.
On Dasher, on Dancer...!
Prizes for individuals and families.



Capture the Flag GRINCH EDITION

December 17th 3:30-5pm
Sherose Island
Try our spin on capture the flag!
Team up with friends and try to
out-grinch the grinch by stealing
presents and escaping the other
team.

Outdoor Kitchen Kapers with Kookie the Elf

December 23rd 1-2:30pm
Pop-up play event at the Clubhouse
Playground – suitable for toddlers and
young school age children.



Equipment loans – we have snowshoes and nordic walking poles along with a variety of game and sports equipment available for loan. We also have a hippocampe which is a three-wheeled wheelchair for use over more difficult terrain.
Call us to borrow at no charge.



Shelburne County Mental Health & Wellness Association

The Shelburne County Mental Health and Wellness Association is a community based not-for-profit group of people that care deeply about the mental wellbeing of our County.

The Warm Line is now open and is offering an opportunity for folks in Shelburne County to call at specific times to speak with a trained volunteer **1-833-927-6546**.

If you are experiencing challenges in life, feeling lonely, anxious or depressed or just need to talk to someone the warm line workers are there to take your calls.

The service provides short term emotional support and is confidential and non-judgmental.

The Warm Line is available for calls during these specific times:

Mondays 1pm-5pm
Tuesday 1pm – 8pm
Wednesdays 4pm – 8pm
Thursdays 1pm-5pm

A virtual presentation will be held on December 18 at 2pm regarding mental health services and resources in Shelburne County. To register, please contact Marilyn Johnson at marilynajohnston@bellaliant.net to receive the link to tune in.

STAY CONNECTED AND WIN!



Register your email & cell phone number to receive important news and updates on municipal announcements & events.

All residents (permanent/seasonal) who register their email with us by the end of 2020 will be entered to win a \$100 Sobey's gift card!

THREE WAYS TO REGISTER!

Online! barringtonmunicipality.com/email

Call us! 902-637-2015

Email Us! email@barringtonmunicipality.com



ILLEGAL DUMPING

Please report illegal dump sites by calling 902-637-2015

STREET LIGHTS

Street lights which are out or not working properly can be reported to the Municipal Office at 902-637-2015 ext. 230

DOGS

Dog owners allowing their dogs to run at large are in violation of the Dog By-law of the Municipality of Barrington. It is the owner's responsibility to ensure that the only time the dog is off their property is when it is under continuous effective human restraint and control. When using municipal trails and sidewalks, dogs must be on a leash at all times held by a person able to control the dog. Leashes are also required on beaches as posted by the Department of Natural Resources

PET WASTE

Please clean up after your pets while using municipal trails, parks and playgrounds as pet waste transmits disease and contaminates water supplies.



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WATER TESTS

Need your well water tested?
Bottles can be picked up at
the Municipal Office.

SEWER

Please assist us in keeping our
public sewer systems working
properly. Do not flush items
such as diapers (child/adult),
rags, mop heads, face masks,
shop towels, etc. These items
cause damage to the pumping
system which result in
expensive repairs and
maintenance. Please contact
our Director of Property
Services at 637-2015 ext. 220
with any inquiries or problems
regarding the sewer system..



Congratulations to the Island & Barrington Passage
Volunteer Fire Department on their recent purchase of a
new ladder truck (Quint Truck). This truck will help to
enhance the safety and capabilities of the fire service in the
Municipality of Barrington & surrounding areas. It's the only
ladder truck within Shelburne County.

CIVIC NUMBERING

**HOW CAN WE FIND YOU WHEN YOU NEED US?
IT'S THE LAW – POST YOUR REFLECTIVE CIVIC NUMBER
TODAY.**

Civic numbers are to be reflective and shall be displayed on the
same side of the road as the property is located and be visible
from either

direction. Blue and white signs are most visible.

We would like to hear from you – If you do not have a properly
posted civic number, please call our office 637-2015 ext. 231 for
assistance and/or direction.

CIVIC NUMBERS SAVE LIVES!

A copy of the civic numbering by-law can be found on the Municipal
Website.

AIRBNB/ACCOMMODATIONS

Airbnb's and other short term rentals/accommodations are
becoming very common in our area. Any lodging
accommodations are required under the Fire Safety Act of Nova
Scotia to have fire inspections completed on them. If you are the
owner of an Airbnb or Inn, please contact our office to schedule
an inspection if one has not already been completed. Please note,
all short term rentals/accommodations are now required to be
registered with the Province of Nova Scotia. Please phone our
office for full details - 902-637-2015 ext. 231

**From West to East the Officers of the Fire Departments are as
follows:**

Woods Harbour Shag Harbour: Chief – Jody Goreham, Dpty Chief – Jason Shand,
Dpty Chief – Gordie Stoddard

Island & Barrington Passage: Chief - Walter Scott, Dpty Chief – Corey Crowell,
Dpty Chief - Brian Nickerson

Barrington/Port La Tour: Chief - Vacant, Dpty Chief – Paul Thomas,
Dpty Chief – Arthur Doane

PROPERTY TAX BILLS

PAYMENT OPTIONS

AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE

CASH
CHEQUE
MONEY ORDER
DEBIT

AT MOST BANKS

ONLINE BANKING
TELEPHONE BANKING
BRANCH BANKING

PAYMENTUS: VISA & MASTERCARD

VISIT www.barringtonmunicipality.com or call 1-844-804-8083

Please note that the toll-free number for paymentus on the back of the October 2020 tax bill is incorrect.

Receipts will not be sent by mail unless requested by the property owner.

TO ENSURE PROMPT AND ACCURATE PAYMENT:

- allow sufficient time for your payment to reach us.
- make your cheque or money order payable to the Municipality of Barrington.
- enclose the bottom portion of your tax bill with your payment.
- when adding the Municipality as a payee on online banking, search "BARRINGTON."
- include your assessment account number as a reference number when paying by paymentus, online banking, telephone banking or branch banking.

MAILING ADDRESSES

Property owners must ensure that their mailing addresses are kept up-to-date in order that they receive their tax bill. It is the responsibility of the property owner to make sure they receive their tax bill.

Is your account paid by a mortgage company?

The property owner still receives a tax bill and any address changes should be updated with the tax office. Bill amounts are sent to mortgage company once they are issued.

Recently purchased property?

The mailing address on the new deed will be the address that the tax office will receive. If the mailing address changes with the purchase, please contact the tax office to update.

HOME HEATING TIPS



Tip #1 - Keep flammable materials at least three feet away from furnaces, fireplaces, wood stoves and space heaters.

Tip #2 - Never use an oven or stovetop to heat your home.

Tip #3 - Have a qualified professional inspect and clean your heating system annually. Check the area around your furnace or boiler.

Tip #4 - Never leave space heaters unattended or run them overnight while you are sleeping. Space heaters should also be plugged directly into a wall. Do not use an extension cord or power strip as they can overheat and cause a fire.

Tip #5 - Test smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors once per month. Change batteries at least once a year.



SENIOR SERVICES WE ARE HERE TO HELP!

1-800-565-0397

- In home visits and safety checks
- Assist with home grants and housing needs
- Support for seniors living in unsafe or abusive situations
- Assist with difficult forms or document support
- Provide information for community and government supports

Did you know we offer a Free Low-Income Tax Program?

It is available year-round, do not delay as you may be entitled to receive government benefits!

In partnership with the RCMP



HOLIDAY HOURS

The Barrington Municipal Administration Offices (Administration Building & Recreation Centre) will be closed for the holidays as indicated below:

12 noon on Thursday, December 24th, 2020

and will reopen at 8:30am on Monday, January 4th, 2021.

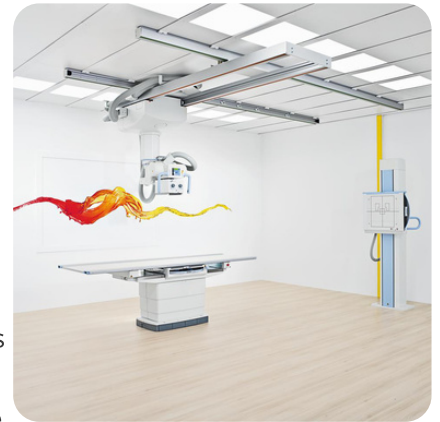
SMALL COMMUNITIES NEED BIG SUPPORT!

Our community hospital is vital to our area and working together to bring Digital x-ray technology to Roseway Hospital is imperative to moving forward.

By partnering with you and all residents of our community, Roseway Hospital Foundation has accepted the challenge

to fundraise for the next generation of imaging. At a cost of approximately \$656,000.00, digital x-ray technology provides clearer, sharper images that are electronically stored and are immediately available to the radiologist for interpretation. Digital systems reduce already low radiation exposure levels and promote a faster turnaround time between patients.

All donations big or small contribute to community support for a new digital x-ray machine. Please contact Mags Brown for more info at 902-875-4214, Roseway Hospital Foundation, P.O. BOX 610, Shelburne, N.S. B0T 1W0, or visit www.rosewayhospitalfoundation.ca



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Contact Brenda LaGrandeur

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Do you feel stuck at your current job? Looking for a new career path? Not working in the field you were trained for? If you answered yes, the **Connector Program** might be the perfect fit for you.

We help you meet with local industry contacts in fields that interest you. Reach out to Brenda today.