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NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2021

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SEA ME RUN

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF THE NOVA SCOTIA MARATHON



WELCOME RUNNERS - JULY 25TH, 2021

This year we are welcoming runners to the Municipality of Barrington for the 50th Anniversary of the Nova Scotia Marathon. We encourage residents to decorate their yards and cheer on the runners as they pass by!

Please remember to slow down, be mindful of runners and keep all pets on leashes on Race Day.

WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEA YOU RUN!

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

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WARDEN'S MESSAGE

EDDIE NICKERSON - DISTRICT 4

As we make our way through the Province's Reopening Plan and continue to have more social connections and access to expanded services, activities and events, I hope that everyone is having an enjoyable start to the summer and taking advantage of lessening COVID-19 restrictions.

With the easing of restrictions, the Recreation Department has organized a fun-filled summer – offering a number of exciting programs and activities for all ages. Many of our recreational facilities are open, including our pool, recreation centre and batting cages.

We are happy to now offer online registration to book these facilities. The platform can be accessed at: <https://app.booking.ca/barringtonmunicipalitypub/index.asp>. Make sure to also follow the Department's Facebook Page to stay up to date on what is available.

If you have a chance to travel, we encourage you to do so within the province and rediscover the things that have drawn visitors here from all over the world. Welcoming visitors again is what our tourism industry needs, so let's give a warm welcome to those who have waited months and months to come here.

Aside from recreation and tourism, the municipality continues to focus on providing important essential services and improving community infrastructure. To note in particular, accessibility renovations at the Municipal Administrative Centre, continued work on a new Recreation Centre, beach enhancements and investments in our C&D landfill, library and upgrades to our arena.

Investment in internet will see all communities within the municipality have access to fibre-to-the-home Internet by the end of 2021.

As well Stoney Island Beach will have the services of lifeguards for the summer months, which will be a first for the municipality.

Finally, the further we are into this pandemic, the clearer it is how much essential workers affect our lives. Thank you to all healthcare workers in our area who are working diligently to ensure our residents stay healthy. To the many other essential workers, thank you for ensuring that we can carry on with our lives as best as possible.

I wish everyone a very safe and enjoyable summer and fall season!

Eddie Nickerson



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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

Property Taxes Reminder notices for property taxes have been sent out the second week of July, 2021. Please note that reminders were not sent to owners with an account balance of less than \$5.00 and that interest is accruing daily at a rate of 18% per annum on all outstanding balances.

Property owners with two full years of arrears (2019 and prior) will receive a Preliminary Notice of Tax Sale during the first week of August, 2021. Once the notices have been sent, the property owner is added to the 2021/22 tax sale list and is required to pay all interest and arrears to be removed from this list. The tentative date for the tax sale is February, 2022.

The October 2021 final bill will be sent out during the first week of October and the interest date will be November 15, 2021.



Have a problem to report relating to a municipal service?

Our helpdesk makes it simple - all you have to do is visit helpdesk.barringtonmunicipality.com/report from any desktop or mobile phone and fill out a form. From there, we will be able to respond to your inquiries more quickly and effectively, offering the best possible experience.

We encourage you to submit problems online but if you prefer to do so verbally, please call 902-637-2015.

BUDGET AT A GLANCE 2021-2022

Revenue

Property & Other Taxes	7,077,465
Grants in Lieu of Taxes	148,032
Services to Other Governments	117,769
Sale of Services	334,090
Other Revenue	411,771
Unconditional Transfers	184,635
Conditional Transfers	2,823,405
Other Transfers	2,399,000

Total Revenue **13,496,167**

Expenses

General Government Services	1,724,778
Protective Services	2,073,717
Transportation Services	259,500
Environmental Health	1,417,204
Public Health and Welfare	139,000
Environmental Development	325,439
Recreation and Cultural	897,204
Education	1,387,325
Capital	5,272,000

Total Expenses **12,680,326**

COVID-19 VACCINE CLINIC BOOKING

All Nova Scotians are encouraged to get vaccinated against COVID-19 as soon as they are eligible.

The province's goal continues to be immunize as many Nova Scotians as quickly as possible, based on age, to reach a high rate of population immunity.

COVID-19 vaccination appointments must be made online at www.novascotia.ca/vaccination or by phone at 1-833-797-7772

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.



New this summer!

Lifeguard supervision is now available at
Stoney Island Beach,
10am - 6pm daily, 7 days a week
starting July 1st.



BATTING CAGES NOW OPEN!

Monday and Thursday evenings or weekdays by appointment. Check our online calendars, create your account and request your time or call 902-637-2015 ext 227 to book during office hours.

Rental rates: \$20.00 per 1/2hr for the general public
\$15.00 per 1/2hr for local sport organizations.

****Please note rentals are subject to the indoor gathering limit.**



Summer 2021

Day Camps for ages 5-8 & 9-12:

M-F 8:45-4:45

Register daily:

July 5-9 August 9-13

July 12-16 August 16-20

July 26-30 August 23-27



Youth Leadership
Camp

M-F, 9-4 Ages 11-14

Register Weekly (see
Day Camp dates above)

Barrington
Municipal Pool
June -September
Swimming lessons
Lifesaving & Leadership training
Seniors, Adult & Open swims



Follow us on
Facebook!

Super Sports Days:
July 19-22, August 3-6
Register daily for full
or half days



Preschool Pop-Up Play/
Sport Days
Family Activity Hikes
Beach activities
Exploration Challenges
Try-it sessions in kayak,
SUP, Archery & more



Equipment loans - we have 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 including our beaches!

Call us to borrow at no charge.



STAND UP PADDLE BOARDING

Girls on Boards - Tuesdays in July
Try It Sessions - Thursdays in July



SPIKE BALL
every Tuesday from
6:30-8PM on Stoney
Island Beach.



KAYAKING CLINICS
Watch for announcements of
upcoming clinics all summer long!



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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..



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

HOME BASED OCCUPATIONS

The Provincial Government has made changes to the Building Code Act of Nova Scotia regarding "Home Based" occupations in residential settings. Development permits are required presently under our Land Use By-Law to establish and operate a home based occupation. Please call the Development Officer should you have any questions regarding this matter.

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 – Greg Duggan, Dpty Chief - Brian Nickerson

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

BECOME A VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER TODAY!

The fire departments are always in need of volunteers to maintain the excellent service they provide. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer firefighter, please stop by your local fire department or fill out an application online on our website (look under fire services). Now is a great time to join! New fire recruit training starts in September!

Our Senior Services

1-800-565-0397

HELPING SENIORS STAY SAFE IN THEIR COMMUNITY



- Wellness checks either by phone or home visits.
- Offer support to seniors and their families.
- Assist with Home Grants and housing needs.
- Provide safety information on frauds and scams.
- Provide Heating and Property Tax Rebate Applications.
- Referrals to Continuing Care for home support, caregiver support and long-term care assessments.
- Link clients with transportation for medical, shopping and social outings. Help find mobility devices, hospital beds and medical alerts.
- Provide assistance with government forms such as Pharmacare, Pensions/GIS, Veteran Independence, Ambulance Fee Assistance Program.
- Offer support to non-profit organizations with funding applications.
- Provide a FREE low income tax program to all low income households.
- Social events such as bus trips, holiday meals and teas.



Royal Canadian Mounted Police Gendarmerie royale du Canada



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PIPING PLOVER UPDATE

Barrington Municipal beaches are supporting 45 adult plovers (22 pairs) across 10 different beaches. This is a really critical time of year. While there are still a few nests left to hatch, most of them have already hatched meaning we have small chicks running around. They won't stay at their nest sites and may not be within or near signed areas, if there are even signs at the beach. Here are some ways you can help:

- **keep dogs/pets leashed**
- **walk on the wet sand**
- **keep vehicles off the beach**

This will all help make sure the chicks make it to adulthood. If people are interested in learning more or want to volunteer, they can head over to Birds Canada website: <https://www.birdscanada.org/bird-science/piping-plover/>

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.



Sou'West Nova Transit provides affordable transportation to ALL Shelburne County residents allowing ease of access to essential services throughout the province, and help residents stay connected to their communities.

- Pre-booked (at least 1 business day in advance), door-to-door, wheelchair accessible
- Offering free rides to COVID-19 vaccination appointments

Visit souwestnovatransit.ca or call (toll free) 844-637-2572 to learn more.



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:

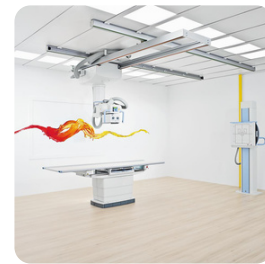
- Mondays 1pm-5pm
- Tuesday 1pm – 8pm
- Wednesdays 4pm – 8pm
- Thursdays 1pm-5pm

ROSEWAY HOSPITAL CHARITABLE FOUNDATION UPDATE

A fundraising update from the Roseway Hospital Charitable Foundation Community and Industry support has enabled Roseway Hospital Foundation to come within \$83,000 of their goal to purchase and install a digital x-ray machine at Roseway Hospital.

Please consider supporting their fundraising efforts for digital x-ray technology at Roseway Hospital. **Thank you to all our residents, companies and donors that have been so generous this far.** We are getting closer to our goal of \$656,000 everyday. Let's get the job done!

Any questions please call Mags Brown at 902-875-4214. Please send a cheque to Roseway Hospital Foundation, PO Box 610, Shelburne, NS. B0T 1W0. Go to the Roseway Hospital Foundation website www.rosewayhospitalfoundation.ca and donate or e-transfer to rosewayhospitalfoundation@gmail.com - remember to include mailing address information so a charitable receipt can be mailed out.



The Municipality has a Water Supply Upgrade Lending program which can assist residents finance a new well. For information on this program, residents can contact the municipal office at (902) 637-2015 or visit our website for more information.



WESTERN REN VIRTUAL ADVISOR PROGRAM

Does your business need help solving a problem as a result of COVID-19?

Get one-to-one support from an experienced business adviser. Our free Virtual Advisor Program will match you with a seasoned professional to help you solve a unique challenge your business is facing. Contact Rob Stephenson at rstephenson@westernren.ca or by phone 902- 749-8367



Welcoming New Connector Program Manager

Miranda MacLean has joined the Western Regional Enterprise Network as the new Connector Program Manager. Miranda has previously worked as a Residential Supervisor with the Conway Workshop Association and the Tri-County Women's Centre. The Connector Program matches community and business leaders (Connectors) with skilled newcomers, local and international graduates, and other qualified local professional (Connectees) in their industry of expertise. To connect with Miranda email mmaclean@westernren.ca or phone 902- 340-8136.