



Town of Shelburne Spring/Summer 2017



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Message From the Mayor

Karen Mattatall

Four years ago I first had the great privilege of being elected Mayor of our wonderful Town. On Oct. 15, 2016 I was again honoured with that privilege, joined by a committed team of Council members: Deputy Mayor Rick Davis, Councillor Harold Locke, Councillor Sheldon Ringer and Councillor Nolan Young.

"We can't solve problems by using the same kind of thinking we used when we created them."

Albert Einstein

During the last term, your Council recognized the importance of long-term planning that would continue to move



our Town forward. As a result we now plan projects 5 years out. We have developed many new policies, created much needed operating and capital reserves, introduced a tax rebate for low income residents, and begun improving deteriorating infrastructure.

To assist in moving our Town forward together, on May 17th, 2017 Council approved the Shelburne Town Council Strategic Plan 2017-2021, a practical roadmap of the Town Council's strategic priorities for the next four years. One action item in our new strategic plan is this newsletter which will come out twice a year in Spring/Summer and Fall/Winter editions and is intended to help keep Town residents informed. To help measure progress the Strategic Plan also establishes an annual survey of residents to be conducted each fall (more information to come in fall/winter newsletter).

Visit our website for more information:

<https://www.town.shelburne.ns.ca/>



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Town Events / What's Happening

Shelburne has many events and fun festivals planned for the Summer of 2017. Below are the dates and a brief description.



- 🏴‍☠️ **Lobster Fest (June 2-4)**
 A weekend full of family fun and of course, lots of lobster! This festival celebrates the end of the lobster season recognizing its cultural, historical, and economic impact in Shelburne County.
- 🏴‍☠️ **Founders Days (July 14-16)**
 A 3-day festival that celebrates the history of Shelburne including fireworks, games, music, encampments, and many family-friendly activities.
- 🏴‍☠️ **Tall Ships RDV 2017 (Aug 14-15)**
 Shelburne was chosen as a port for the Tall Ships 2017 Rendezvous and we are thrilled! Come down to the waterfront to see these majestic ships and take part in the fun.
- 🏴‍☠️ **Kayak Festival (Aug 18-20)**
 Workshops, guided tours, and demonstrations where you can try kayaking for the first time, hone your skills, or gain new ones. Lots of social events as well!
- 🏴‍☠️ **Whirligig Festival (Sept 16-17)**
 This unique festival includes displays of local arts and crafts, rug hooking, folk art, and a competition for fantastic handmade whirligigs



Guild Hall Summer Arts Series

The Town of Shelburne was very fortunate to be awarded a grant by the Nova Scotia Department of Seniors to join us in hosting a Summer Arts Series down at the new Guild Hall. Our goal was to create events that were free for the public to enjoy and inclusive for all ages. Band Stands are lively all over Nova Scotia in the summer months and a great place for people to catch up with each other, get outside, and enjoy the Arts together and we are excited to showcase a variety of talent from our area and across Canada at the beautiful new Guild Hall. Shows are free to enjoy for everyone! Sou'West Nova Transit has also partnered in this project to help with transportation for Seniors who are in need of assistance getting to shows. For more information about the transportation program, call 902-875-2991 ext. 8.



Schedule of Shows

- June 3rd 3pm – No Mothers - Viola Folk Rock (Vancouver B.C)
- June 7th 7pm -Max Marshall and Thom Coombs – Folk (St. John's NL)
- June 17th 3pm– The Acadians – Folk & Classics (NS)
- June 23rd 7pm Shelburne Pit Band – Variety (Shelburne, NS)
- June 30th 7pm– Mike Elliott Band – Rock and Folk (Shelburne, NS)
- July 1st 3pm– David Burbine & Trad. Country –Country (Shelburne, NS)
- July 11th 7pm– Mersey Concert Band – Classical (Liverpool, NS)
- July 15th 3:30pm – Dulaman-Celtic (Digby, NS)
- July 20th 7pm – Kenneth & Marion MacLeod – Celtic & Folk (Inverness, NS)
- July 30th 3pm– Chester Brass – Classical (Chester, NS)
- August 5th 9pm– Shadow Band – Puppetry & Music (Bridgewater, NS)
- August 13th 3pm– Mersey Swing Band – Swing (Liverpool, NS)
- August 14th 1pm– Gregory Samek – Percussionist (Vancouver, NS)
- August 14th 4pm – Jazz Dabblers – Jazz (Shelburne, NS)
- August 17th 7pm – Gregory Samek – Percussionist (Vancouver, NS)

Finance

The Shelburne Town Council approved an operating budget totaling \$4.17 million on April 5th, 2017. The approved residential tax rate of \$2.04 per \$100 of assessment and approved commercial tax rate of \$3.86 per \$100 of assessment remain unchanged from last year. Sewer charges, which have remained unchanged for many years, are increasing by 10.6% to \$219 per unit to finance upgrades to the treatment plant taking place this year. Solid waste charges are also increasing by 2% – based on actual costs – to \$210.18 per unit. To reduce the impact of these service charge increases Council has also approved an increase in the low-income tax exemption program which will now provide up to \$250 of tax relief to qualifying tax payers with household incomes under \$30,000.

Key investments include:

- A continued focus on service delivery and asset management with investments in wastewater initiatives, continued development of the facilities management function, and initiatives aimed at the disposal of surplus lands and the rationalization of leased properties.
- Significant investments in economic development and tourism, implementing last year’s Strategic Economic Development Plan and a new Tourism & Events Strategy anticipated in April.
- Pedestrian safety improvements including expansion of the crosswalk flags program.
- Continued investment in parks, playgrounds and recreational properties including the Shelburne County Arena.
- Commitment to the new Guild Hall facility with funds for equipment to support expanded uses and to implement a program of free public performances throughout the summer season.
- Continued support for housing and day care services for Town residents.
- A new fund to support public art projects in the community with up to \$7,500 a year for the next four years (overseen by the Town’s Community Participation & Volunteerism Committee).
- Continuing to build capital reserves necessary for long-term asset management; minimum annual capital reserve transfers remain at 50% of amortization.

Programs

Seniors Tax Rebate

To find out if you qualify
Call Service Canada
1-800-277-9914

www.gov.ns.ca/snsmr/access/individuals/consumer-awareness/property-tax-rebate-for-seniors.asp

Low-Income Exemption

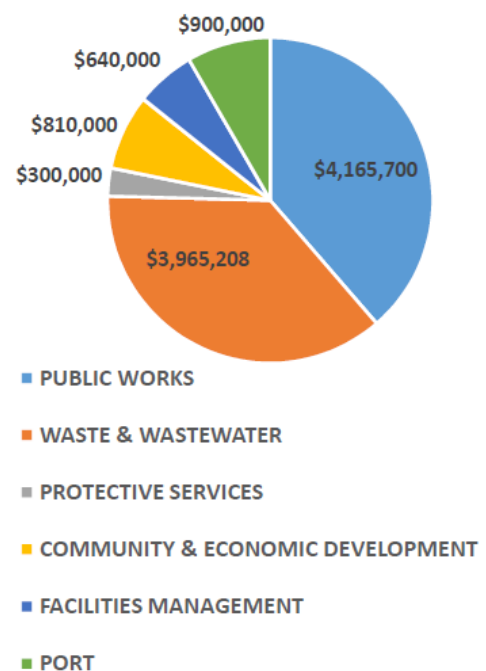
Forms can be picked up at the Town Office or website.

www.town.shelburne.ns.ca/1067-low-income-property-tax-exemption-application-1.html

Bill Payment Options

www.town.shelburne.ns.ca/make-a-payment.html

CAPITAL SPENDING BY DEPARTMENT





Information

Town Contact Information:

168 Water Street
PO Box 670
Shelburne, NS
BoT 1Wo
(902) 875-2991

Office Hours 8:30am-4:00pm (Monday to Friday)

CONTEST!



Capture your summer! Send us your high resolution photos of Shelburne this Summer, either through our Facebook page or via email, for a chance to win a \$200 prepaid visa. The top 20 photos will be shared on Visit Shelburne & Lockport and Town Shelburne's Facebook pages and used in Town promotions.

2017 WASTE COLLECTION INFORMATION

Please keep in mind:
All items are to be placed curbside by 7:00 a.m. on collection day to ensure collection can take place.

For more information check our website at www.municipalityofshelburne.ca.
The Waste Diversion Coordinator can be reached at (902) 875-3544 ext.240, or by calling the Waste Hotline at 902-875-5336. Check us out on Facebook at Waste Diversion Coordinator.

GREEN WEEK	DAILY SCHEDULE	RED WEEK	DAILY SCHEDULE
MONDAY	Clyde River, Clinton Road, Beaverdam, Quinns Falls, Ingomar, Round Bay, Atlantic, Roseway, Gunning Cove, Carleton Village, Churchover and Birchtown	MONDAY	Jordan Falls, Lake John Road, East Jordan, West Green Harbour, East Green Harbour, Allendale, Osborne, Pleasant Point and Canada Hill
TUESDAY	Ohio, Welshtown, Woodlawn Drive and North Loop Road	TUESDAY	Town of Lockport, Brighton and West Head
WEDNESDAY	Sandy Point, Roseway Park, Jordan Bay, Jordan Ferry, Lake Road and Jordan Branch	WEDNESDAY	Rockland, Little Harbour, Sable River, West Middle Sable, East Sable, Jones Harbour, MacLeans Lake Road and Little Port L'Hebert
THURSDAY	Town of Shelburne (South Side of King Street)	THURSDAY	
FRIDAY	Town of Shelburne (North Side of King Street)	FRIDAY	

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CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION
On YOUR specific collection day between the dates of January 16 – 27, 2017

SPRING METAL COLLECTION
On YOUR specific collection day between the dates of April 18 – 28, 2017.

FALL METAL COLLECTION
On YOUR specific collection day between the dates of October 17 – 27, 2017.



Acceptable Items Include:
Scrap metal, white appliances, barbecues, freezers, emptied oil barrels, baseboard heaters, refrigerators, air conditioners, lawn mowers, bicycles, microwaves, and any other type of metal.

TIP:
Did you know that metal items can be taken to the Regional Materials Recovery Facility, located at 4571 Hwy 3, West Green Harbour free-of-charge at any time during the year?

Why wait for one of the metal collections when you can drop it off anytime throughout the year for free!

THE REGIONAL MATERIALS RECOVERY FACILITY (C&D Site)
4571 Hwy 3, West Green Harbour.
Open from Tuesday Saturday from 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.



Tipping Fee is \$60.00 per tonne for construction & demolition materials

All materials must be separated into the following streams:

- 1) Wood items
- 2) Roofing shingles
- 3) Gypsum board/drywall, plaster
- 4) Vinyl/plastic building materials, carpeting, built up roofing, ceiling tiles, vinyl floor/linoleum, wiring, lighting fixtures and insulation.

Insulation - Must be bagged to keep from blowing around the site.

Items FREE to dispose of include:

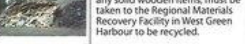
- Scrap Metals - ● Metal Appliances
- Wire Lobster Traps
- Lobster Rope - ● Leaf and Yard Waste



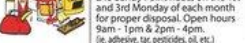
Items NOT accepted during regular waste collection are listed below:



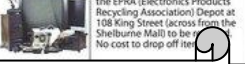
You can return up to four used car/truck tires (at any one time) to any tire retailer in the province, at no cost. Tires must be off the rim and free of mud and debris in order to be recycled by Gwert NS.



All construction waste, as well as any solid wooden items, must be taken to the Regional Materials Recovery Facility in West Green Harbour to be recycled.



Propane tanks, rusted paint cans, and other household hazardous waste items are to be taken to the Hazardous Waste Depot at 243 Sandy Point Road, on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month for proper disposal. Open hours 9am - 1pm & 2pm - 4pm. (ie. adhesive, etc. pesticides, etc.)



Electronics must be taken to the EPRA (Electronics Products Recycling Association) Depot at 188 King Street, across from the Shelburne Mall to be recycled. No cost to drop off items.



PLAYGROUND SAFETY

Watch out for children crossing from Town Parks and Playgrounds. Slow down to 30 km/hr when passing a park. If visiting the Splash Pad, park on the proper side of King Street rather than crossing to access the park.



WATER CONSERVATION

Summers can be dry months. Be sure to conserve water, fix leaky pipes, use rain barrels, and be water conscious.



BICYCLE SAFETY

- Cyclists of all ages must wear a helmet.
- Motor vehicles must leave at least one meter distance between vehicle and cyclist.
- Motor vehicles may only pass a bicycle if it is safe to do so.

Shelburne Fun Fact:

Did you know that from 2011-2016, the Town of Shelburne was the only community in Southwest Nova with a growing population (+3.44%)