



## Stratford Town Crier - February 11, 2023

Public Information, Notices and Meeting Schedules

### **NOTICE - CLEARING SIDEWALKS OF SNOW AND ICE IN THE CORE AREA AND CLEARING OVERHANGING SNOW AND ICE FROM ROOFS IN THE CITY OF STRATFORD**

The purpose of this notice is to advise you that under the conditions of By-law 225-2005, the owner, occupant or person in charge of any property in the core area as designated in the By-law is required to clear the sidewalks adjacent to their property of all snow and ice throughout the winter.

The sidewalks shall be cleared of snow and ice prior to 10:00 a.m. everyday, except Sundays and Holidays as defined in the Retail Business Holidays Act. Sidewalk conditions must then be monitored between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., and to continue to keep the sidewalks cleared at all times. The By-law also requires that icy conditions be treated with sand and/or salt or other suitable substance.

Also the owner, occupant or person in charge of an occupied or unoccupied building is required to clear away and remove snow and ice from the roof of a building where such snow and ice may fall on a sidewalk or street. All snow or ice from roofs must be removed by 10:00 a.m. every day except Sundays and Holidays as defined in the Retail Business Holidays Act. The person clearing away the snow and ice shall take all necessary care and precautions for the warning and safety of passers-by and other persons.

Any snow and ice which falls onto the sidewalk shall be placed at the edge of the street immediately adjacent to the curb. Snow should not be placed on the travelled portion of the roadway or in such a way as to obstruct access to any fire hydrant.

Regular inspections will be made of the core area sidewalks after snowfalls and to identify any buildings which have snow and ice which may fall on the sidewalk or street. The set fine for contravention of this By-law is \$115.00 for each occurrence exclusive of costs. The snow and ice may be removed at the discretion of the Infrastructure and Development Services Department and charged to the owner.

If you require this document in an alternate format or any additional information, please contact the Infrastructure and Development Services Department at 519-271-0250, extension 5222. A copy of the Snow and Ice Removal By-law 225-2005 can be seen on request at the City Clerk's Office or by visiting the City's website at [www.stratford.ca](http://www.stratford.ca).

### **ANNUAL COMMUNITY INCOME TAX CLINIC**

Serving low-income residents of the City of Stratford, Town of St. Marys, and the County of Perth, complimentary services for current year tax returns are being provided by:

- Famme & Co. Professional Corporation
- McCutchen & Pearce Professional Corporation

The total annual gross income restrictions to participate are:

- Single - \$27,589 or less
- Couple - \$34,346 or less

Disability income received should be included in your total gross income. Please ensure you are within the limits stated.

Participants should bring Photo ID and the following if applicable:

- T4s, T5s
- Rent Receipts and/or Property Tax Receipts
- Medical Receipts
- Donation Receipts Disability Form (T2201)
- Date of Entry to Canada

Please call to **register in advance by Tuesday, March 7, 2023**, by contacting the Social Services Clerks at 519-271-3773 extension 278 **Monday** to Friday between 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. An appointment time will be provided for document delivery between March 9-17, 2023.

## **ATTENTION STRATFORD PROPERTY OWNERS**

### **PROPERTY TAX – 2023 INTERIM LEVY DUE DATE FEBRUARY 24, 2023 - REMINDER**

Your 2023 Interim Tax Bill has now been mailed. If you have not received a Tax Notice or to inquire about the pre-authorized monthly/quarterly payment plan, please call the City Tax Office at 519-271-0250 extension 5209 or 5213. For your convenience, property tax payments by cheque may be deposited in the mailbox at City Hall, Rear Entrance. Payment may be made at your bank or on-line/telephone banking is also available. Please make cheques payable to "City of Stratford" and mail to P.O. Box 818, Stratford ON N5A 6W1. Pre-authorized payment is available monthly or quarterly, call to inquire. Contact: Tax Department, 519-271-0250, extension 5209, 5212, or 5213.

### **2023 BUDGET MEETINGS**

The Finance and Labour Relations Committee will meet on the following dates and times to formulate recommendations to City Council regarding the 2023 draft budget:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>
February 21, 2023	5:30 p.m.	Council Chambers

Agendas and minutes of the meeting will be posted as available to the City website under the Council Calendar at <https://calendar.stratford.ca/meetings>.

If you have any questions regarding the 2023 budget process, please contact us by phone at 519-271-0250 Extension 5202, or by email at [wpartridge@stratford.ca](mailto:wpartridge@stratford.ca).

### **MEETING SCHEDULE**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>
Feb 13	Committee of the Whole In-camera	6:00 p.m.	Council Chambers
Feb 13	Regular Council and Standing Committees	7:00 p.m.	Council Chambers
Feb 14	Social Services Sub-committee	4:30 p.m.	Council Chambers
Feb 16	Community Services Sub-committee	4:30 p.m.	Council Chambers

Meetings are open to the public to attend with the exception of In-Camera sessions in accordance with section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001 (please note the adjournment into the In-camera Session is open to the public to attend and observe). Agendas can be accessed from the City's website. Please check the City's website for the Sub-committee, Committee, Council and Advisory Committee Meeting Schedules as these schedules are subject to change.

The Town Crier is also posted on the City's website.

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