

Town Crier, April 14, 2018

Stratford Town Crier

Public Information, Notices and Meeting Schedules

CITY OF STRATFORD AMENDS ACCESSIBLE PARKING PERMIT POLICY

The City of Stratford has amended its Accessible Parking Permit Policy to allow those holding a valid accessible parking permit to park for free downtown.

Individuals with a valid accessible parking permit displayed on their dashboard will no longer be required to pay the parking meters or pay-by-licence machines.

Please note that all parking time limits remain in effect, and parking continues to be prohibited in "No Parking" areas.

On-street meters will be left at each accessible parking space should motorists using these spaces wish to pay, although payment is not required.

For more information on the Accessible Parking Permit Policy please visit the City of Stratford's website at www.stratfordcanada.ca/en/livehere/accessibleparking.asp

For further information please contact: Tatiana Dafoe, Deputy Clerk, 519-271-0250 Ext 329, tdafoe@stratford.ca

ATTENTION STRATFORD PROPERTY OWNERS

**PROPERTY TAX
2018 Interim Levy Due
Date
April 13, 2018**

For your convenience, property tax payments by cheque may be deposited in the mail box at City Hall, located at the Rear Entrance. Payment by Interac and online/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, ext. 212 or 213

SO YOU WANT TO RUN FOR COUNCIL?

Candidate Information Workshop – Monday, April 16, 2018 at 7:00pm
Tim Taylor Lounge, Rotary Complex, 353 McCarthy Rd. W., Stratford
No registration required!

This workshop is a free event, directed at potential candidates, their spouse or partner, or anyone interested in learning more about local government. It will give you an understanding of Council's roles and responsibilities and the significant changes coming to local government. It will explain how duties and responsibilities of public office will impact your life.

Guest speaker, Fred Dean, will cover topics such as:

- Municipal powers
- Roles and responsibilities
- Public's role in local government
- Difference between governance and administration
- Municipal conflict of interest and other personal responsibilities
- Impact on family life

FLUSHING OF FIRE HYDRANTS

Beginning April 8, 2018, and continuing for approximately six weeks, flushing of fire hydrants will take place within the City of Stratford. Customers could experience some discoloured water. Water quality is not affected by this colouration. Discoloured water will clear, but before doing laundry, please check to see that water has cleared. If you have any questions, please call the City Water Division at 519-271-0250, ext. 222 during business hours.

NOTICE - RAKING OF WINTER SAND

Reminder to residents from Infrastructure & Development Services that during the months of April and May, winter sand that has accumulated can be raked to the edge of the road or the street gutter. Please help street

sweeping operations by spreading the sand out in the gutter area. Please do not place the sand in large piles in the gutter or along the road, as the piles can restrict water flow and be a traffic hazard.

ANNE HATHAWAY DAYCARE - LICENSED CHILDCARE SPACES AVAILABLE

Anne Hathaway Day Care Centre has a limited number of full time openings available for **2.5 and 3 year old** children. Enriching child-centered programs led by a team of highly skilled and experienced Early Childhood Educators:

- Nutritious lunch and snacks provided
- Outdoor play in a new natural play space
- Financial assistance available upon qualification
- Newly renovated facility

EMERGENCY OR SHORT TERM CHILD CARE SERVICES

Operated by the City of Stratford, Anne Hathaway Daycare is a child and family friendly licenced early childhood education centre. Emergency or short term childcare services are provided on an 'as available' basis. For information about services, availability and fees, please contact the Daycare at 519-273-1803.

For further information contact: Corry Gunn, Manager - 103 Bruce St. Stratford 519-273-1803
cgunn@stratford.ca

DOOR TO DOOR TEXTILE COLLECTION

April 16 – 20, 2018

During Earth Week the City of Stratford has partnered with Diabetes Canada to offer residents Door to Door Textile Pick Up. Help us divert waste from the landfill by cleaning out your closet and donating your old textiles.

How to Participate in the Textile Program:

STEP 1: Collect your textiles and put them in a garbage bag and mark it with a "D"

STEP 2: During Earth week (April 16 – 20) PLACE your BAGS at CURBSIDE on your waste collection day

STEP 3: If you require a FREE pick up outside of these dates schedule a pick up at declutter.diabetes.ca or call 1-800-505-5525

Please see Waste Calendar or visit www.stratford.ca for more information.

City of Stratford's textile recycling program accepts all adult and children's clothing and footwear, including undergarments, towels, pillows, and curtains, including items that are worn, torn or stained. Even single socks and shoes are welcome!

You can also donate your textiles at the landfill

EVENING HOT MEAL PROGRAMS IN STRATFORD—OPEN TO ALL—DROP IN

Apr 16	The Local Community Food Centre, 612 Erie Street	5:15pm
Apr 17	St. Paul's Anglican Church, 9 Douro Street	5:15pm
Apr 18	St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 25 St. Andrew Street	5:15pm
Apr 19	St. Joseph's Church-Parish Hall, 96 Huron Street	5:00pm
Apr 20	Knox Presbyterian Church, 142 Ontario Street	5:15pm

Additional Weekly Meals at The Local Community Food Centre, 612 Erie Street. Breakfast is served every Thursday morning at 8:30am. Seniors' Lunch, 60 years and older, is served every Wednesday at 11:30am.

MEETING SCHEDULE

April 17 Finance and Labour Relations Sub-committee 4:30pm Council Chamber

Meetings are open to the public to attend with the exception of In-Camera sessions. Agendas can be accessed from the City's website or may be picked up from the City Clerk's Office before the scheduled meeting. Also, check the City's website for the Sub-committee, Standing Committee and Council Meeting Schedules, Agendas, and Advisory Committee Schedules as the schedule is subject to change. The Town Crier is also posted on the City's website.

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