

Town Crier, April 8, 2017

# Stratford Town Crier

Public Information, Notices and Meeting Schedules

## ATTENTION STRATFORD PROPERTY OWNERS

**PROPERTY TAX**  
**2017 Interim Levy Due**  
**Date**  
**April 13, 2017**

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

## 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.

## MEETING NOTICE: ANIMAL CONTROL WORKING GROUP

The City of Stratford's Animal Control Working Group (ACWG) will be holding a meeting on Tuesday April 11 at 4:30pm. The meeting will be held in the Avon Room, located on the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor of 82 Erie Street, Stratford. This meeting is open to the public.

The Animal Control Working Group was appointed to help the City in its review of Animal Control Bylaw 195-2002. The ACWG is comprised of nine (9) members who provide a balance of perspectives on the issues identified for this bylaw review. Issues subject to review have been identified as follows:

- Banning the sale of pets in pet stores;
- Limiting the number of pets allowed per household;
- Updating licensing requirements;
- Limiting the amount of dogs per owner allowed in the off-leash Stratford Dog Park;
- Revisions and/or updates to definitions in the bylaw;
- Updates to the standards of animal care requirements;
- Leashing of cats;
- Allowing chickens as pets;
- Enforcement issues.

Note: Other issues may arise as a result of Committee discussions.

The ACWG provides a forum for consultation, review and exchange of information regarding the City's Animal Control Bylaw/relevant sections of the Business Licensing Bylaw.

For more information, contact Stephanie Potter, Policy and Research Associate: [spotter@stratfordcanada.ca](mailto:spotter@stratfordcanada.ca); 519-271-0250 x253.

## GET PLANTING FOR CANADA 150

With spring in full swing, it's time to turn our thoughts outdoors. Consider planting your gardens in our national colours for Canada's 150th birthday as part of the Sesquicentennial Committee's plans to turn our city red and white in time for Canada Day! City Hall will be resplendent in festive decorations for Canada Day – why not add some national pride to your home or place of business? Did you plant Canada150 tulip bulbs last fall? Whatever your efforts, be sure to share on social media so we can celebrate together. Follow StratfordON on Facebook, tag us on Twitter @stratford2017 and on Instagram @stratford\_sequi.

## EASTER HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

City of Stratford Administration Offices will be closed on Friday, April 14 and Monday, April 17.

## LANDFILL SITE HOURS

- Closed Friday April 14 for Good Friday
- Open Saturday April 15 8:00am-12:00pm

- Closed Monday April 17 for Easter Monday

### **CURBSIDE RECYCLING AND GARBAGE COLLECTION SCHEDULE**

There will be no change in the Garbage Collection schedule on Friday April 14 and Monday April 17, 2017. Please ensure materials are to the curb prior to 8:00 am on collection dates. For further information, telephone 519-271-0250 ext. 279.

### **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE**

In most households, you will find some leftover cleaners; oil based paints, pesticides, batteries, fluorescent light bulbs and/or prescription medicines. If these leftovers are not handled properly, they can be hazardous. These products are commonly used to make our modern lives easier, but when they are not handled with care, they can be harmful to our health and the environment.

### **Don't forget your Compact Florescent Light bulbs!**

Bring in your Hazardous waste to the City of Stratford Landfill site located at 777 Romeo St. South. Materials will be accepted at the landfill Monday April 24 to Friday April 28 8:00am – 5:00 pm and Saturday April 29, 8:00 am - 12:00 pm.

Leaf and yard waste collection will only be collected in the following forms:

- 110 L Kraft Paper bags
- Certified Compostable bags
- Re-useable Container with label attached

Clear Plastic Bags are NOT accepted and will be left at the curbside. Leaf and Yard waste is accepted at the landfill depot during regular landfill hours.

The next Leaf and Yard Waste collection weeks are:  
 April 24 - 28  
 May 8 - 12  
 May 29 – June 2  
 June 19 - 23



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

<b>Apr 10</b>	The Local Community Food Centre, 612 Erie Street	5:15 pm
<b>Apr 11</b>	St. Paul's Anglican Church, 9 Douro Street	5:15 pm
<b>Apr 12</b>	St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 25 St. Andrew Street	5:15 pm
<b>Apr 13</b>	Knox Presbyterian Church, 142 Ontario Street	5:15 pm

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

### **MEETING SCHEDULE**

<b>April 10</b>	Committee of the Whole In-Camera session	6:00 pm	Council Chamber
<b>April 10</b>	Regular Council and Standing committees	7:00 pm	Council Chamber
<b>April 12</b>	Social Services Sub-committee	4:30 pm	Council Chamber
<b>April 13</b>	Community Services Sub-committee	CANCELLED	

Meetings are open to the public to attend with the exception of In-Camera sessions. Agendas can be accessed from the City's web site or may be picked up from the City Clerk's Office the Friday before the scheduled meeting. Also, check the City's web site 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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