

Town Crier, December 10, 2016

# Stratford Town Crier

## Public Information, Notices and Meeting Schedules

### MEETING NOTICE: ANIMAL CONTROL WORKING GROUP

The City of Stratford's Animal Control Working Group (ACWG) will be holding a meeting on Thursday, December 15 at 5:00 pm. The meeting will be held in the Avon Room, located on the 1st 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
- Licensing
- Pro-rating/waiving licensing fees for rescue pets
- Updating business licensing criteria for Pet Stores
- Updating licensing requirements for kennels and catteries and/or breeders
- 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 Working Group 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.

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

<b>Dec 12</b>	The Local Community Food Centre, 612 Erie Street	5:15 pm
<b>Dec 13</b>	St. Paul's Anglican Church, 9 Douro Street	5:15 pm
<b>Dec 14</b>	St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 25 St. Andrew Street	5:15 pm
<b>Dec 15</b>	St. Joseph's Church-Parish Hall, 96 Huron Street	5:00 pm
<b>Dec 16</b>	Knox Presbyterian Church, 142 Ontario Street	5:15 pm
<b>Dec 19</b>	The Local Community Food Centre, 612 Erie 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>Dec 12</b>	Committee of the Whole In-camera Session	6:30 pm	Council Chamber
<b>Dec 12</b>	Regular Council and Standing committees	7:00 pm	Council Chamber
<b>Dec 15</b>	Community Services Sub-committee	4:45 pm	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 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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