

Town Crier, February 10, 2018

Stratford Town Crier

Public Information, Notices and Meeting Schedules

ATTENTION STRATFORD PROPERTY OWNERS

**PROPERTY TAXES
2018 Interim Levy Due Date
February 16, 2018**

For your convenience, property tax payments by cheque may be deposited in the mail box at City Hall, 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

2018 PET TAGS NOW ON SALE

Register your dogs and cats before March 1 and save!

All dogs and cats in Stratford are required to wear a registration tag at all times. Dog and cat tag registrations expire each year on December 31 and are renewed annually to ensure your pet's information is up to date. A tag allows the Humane Society to return your pet to you should they ever be found wandering. The first time your pet is found wandering by the Humane Society, your pet receives a free ride home!

	Before March 1	As of March 1
Dog/Cat – sterilized	\$20.00	\$30.00
Dog/Cat – not sterilized	\$50.00	\$60.00
Dog or Cat under 1 yr.	\$20.00	\$20.00
Special Needs Dog - No charge; registration required		

Seniors (age 65 or older) receive a discount on annual identification tags. New residents to Stratford may exchange their current identification tag from another municipality at no cost for a current City of Stratford tag (one time only).

Identification tags may be obtained at:

- Stratford-Perth Humane Society – 125 Griffith Road, 519-273-6600
- City Hall, Clerk's Office - 1 Wellington Street, 519-271-0250, ext. 237
- Various Veterinary clinics and pet stores in Stratford (see www.stratfordcanada.ca for complete list)

Owners of exotic animals are required by By-law 195-2002 to register their animals. Contact the Humane Society at 519-273-6600 to register your exotic animals. There is no cost for registration.

Please be a responsible pet owner and always clean up after your pet.

BRONZE STAR RECOGNITION PROGRAM

This program was put in place by Stratford City Council in 2002 in order to recognize and honour national or international citizens who have worked or contributed profoundly to the cultural and/or social fabric of the City or a Stratford citizen who has achieved national or international status. Recipients are chosen by City Council and honoured with a Bronze Stars presented during the Canada Day Celebrations. The Stratford Festival is also involved with this program. If you know of someone meeting this criteria and would like him/her considered for a Bronze Star, please contact the Mayor's Office, Pat Shantz, 271-0250, ext. 236 or by email pshantz@stratford.ca.

2017 JAMES ANDERSON AWARD NOMINATIONS

Heritage Stratford will be presenting the 2017 James Anderson Award to one or more recipients. The award is given to a person or persons who have made significant contributions to our heritage – built form, natural or cultural heritage. Eligible individuals or small groups who have made a significant contribution to the community of Stratford in the area of built, cultural or natural heritage preservation or heritage garden conservation.

Deadline for nominations: Tuesday, February 13, 2018

Applications and further details on the James Anderson Award can be obtained at the Clerk's Office, City Hall or contact adviscom@stratford.ca

STRATFORD POLICE SERVICES BOARD MEETING

The next meeting of the Stratford Police Services Board will be held on **February 21, 2018** at 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 1 Wellington St., Stratford.

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

Feb 12	The Local Community Food Centre, 612 Erie Street	5:15pm
Feb 13	Jubilee Christian Fellowship, 707 Downie Street	5:15pm
Feb 14	Avon Mennonite Church, 90 Greenwood Court	5:15pm
Feb 15	St. Joseph's Church-Parish Hall, 96 Huron Street	5:00pm
Feb 16	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

Feb 12	Committee of the Whole In-camera session	CANCELLED	Council Chamber
Feb 12	Regular Council and Standing Committees	7:00pm	Council Chamber
Feb 14	Social Services Sub-committee	4:30pm	Council Chamber
Feb 15	Community Services Sub-committee	CANCELLED	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 the Friday 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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