

Town Crier, January 12, 2019

Stratford Town Crier

Public Information, Notices and Meeting Schedules

2018 JAMES ANDERSON AWARD NOMINATIONS

Heritage Stratford will be presenting the 2018 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: **Thursday, January 31, 2019**

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

2019 BUDGET MEETINGS

Stratford's Finance and Labour Relations Committee has scheduled the following meetings to formulate recommendations to City Council concerning approval of the 2019 budget.

January 12, 2019	9am-4pm, City Hall Council Chambers	Budget presentations by all City departments, Outside Boards and Agencies, and Committees of Council
January 15, 2019	5pm to 9pm, City Hall Council Chambers	Budget Committee deliberation
January 16, 2019	11am to 1pm, City Hall Council Chambers	2019 Budget Open House
January 17, 2019	6pm to 8pm, City Hall Council Chambers	2019 Budget Open House
January 22, 2019	4:30pm to 9pm, City Hall Council Chambers	Budget Committee deliberation
January 29, 2019	5pm to 9pm, City Hall Council Chambers	Budget Committee deliberation
February 11, 2019	7pm	2019 Final Budget Approval by Council

Members of the public are welcome to attend and observe. Agendas and Minutes will be posted as available to the City website under the Council Calendar at <https://www.stratfordcanada.ca/en/calendar/council/default.aspx>.

As dates, times and locations are subject to change, please contact the Office of the Director of Corporate Services if you wish to confirm a meeting date and time. Updates to the budget meeting schedule and further information will also be posted as it becomes available to the City's website at www.stratfordcanada.ca/en/insidecityhall/2019-Budget.asp as well as on social media at www.facebook.com/cityofstratford/ and <https://twitter.com/cityofstratford>

For more information about the budget process, contact us by phone at 271-0250 ext. 202, or by email at stfdbudget@stratford.ca

2019 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.stratford.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.

REMINDER FOR 2019 BUSINESS LICENCES

Your Stratford business licence expired December 31, 2018. The City of Stratford licenses certain businesses providing goods or services in Stratford. Licences are issued in order to regulate businesses, ensure compliance with land use and building regulations and for consumer protection. Being granted a City of Stratford Business Licence does not relieve the applicant from complying with all Municipal By-laws and/or with Provincial or Federal legislation.

The Clerk's Office of the Corporate Services Department issues licences for the following types of businesses: adult entertainment, auctioneers, body piercing, body rub, circus, old gold, precious metals and old jewellery sales, outdoor cafes on municipal property, refreshment vehicles, mobile food vendors, bicycle ice cream vehicles, hawkers and pedlars, flea markets, craft/antique/trade shows, transient traders, door to door sales, tattoo parlours and pawn shops.

For more information, contact the Clerk's Office at 519-271-0250 ext. 237. Applications and fees may be submitted in person or by mail to the Clerk's Office. Check the City's website at www.stratford.ca for more information and for forms.

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. every day, 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 City Infrastructure and Development Services Department at 519-271-0250, Extension 222. A copy of 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.

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

Jan 14	The Local Community Food Centre, 612 Erie Street	5:15pm
Jan 15	St. Pauls Church (Jubilee), 9 Douro Street	5:15pm
Jan 16	St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 25 St. Andrew Street	5:30pm
Jan 17	St. Joseph's Parish Hall, 96 Huron Street	5:00pm
Jan 18	Knox Presbyterian Church (Bethel), 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

Jan 14	Committee of the Whole In-camera session	6:00pm	Council Chamber
Jan 14	Regular Council and Standing committees	7:00pm	Council Chamber
Jan 15	Finance Committee Budget meeting	5:00pm	Council Chamber
Jan 16	Social Services Sub-committee	CANCELLED	Council Chamber
Jan 17	Community Services Sub-committee	4:45pm	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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