

Town Crier, September 1, 2018

Stratford Town Crier

Public Information, Notices and Meeting Schedules

2019 COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATIONS

The City's online 2019 Community Grant application is now available. Please check the City website at www.stratford.ca under 2019 Budget for application details. The deadline for accepting applications is November 30, 2018.

You may also contact by email at stfdbudget@stratford.ca or by phone at 519-271-0250 ext. 202, for further information on the City's community grants program, or if you have any questions about the City of Stratford's 2019 budget process.

BACK TO SCHOOL

Tuesday, September 4 marks the first day back to school for local elementary and high school students. As pedestrian traffic increases, the City would like to remind motorists to:

1. Slow down, be aware and drive safely.
2. Obey the crossing guard's stop sign.
3. Allow pedestrians and the crossing guard to completely cross the street before proceeding.
4. Pay particular attention when other vehicles in the curbside lane are stopped near a school crossing, as they may block your view of the crossing guard or pedestrians.
5. Drive slowly through school zones and other residential areas where young people may be walking.
6. Be cautious, be courteous and be patient.

For more information about Stratford's crossing guards, including a list of crossing locations, visit the City's website.

LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

City of Stratford Administration Offices will be closed on **September 3, 2018**.

LANDFILL SITE HOURS

- Closed Monday September 3, 2018 for Labour Day Holiday

CURBSIDE RECYCLING and GARBAGE COLLECTION SCHEDULE

There will be no change in the Recycling and Garbage Collection programs on Monday September 3, 2018. Please ensure materials are to the curb prior to 8:00am 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.

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 to Friday September 24 – 28 8:00am – 5:00pm and Saturday September 29, 8:00am - 12:00pm. This is the FINAL drop off week until Spring 2019.

CITY WIDE TREASURE HUNT

Friday September 28 - Sunday September 30 - "One persons' garbage is another ones treasure"

City residents are invited to take part in a Treasure Hunt to promote waste reduction.

Any resident who wishes to recycle any unwanted household items should place them at curbside starting at 4:00pm on Friday September 28. Other residents can come by and remove any items they would like.

REMEMBER - All unclaimed material must be removed from curbside by 3:00pm on Sunday September 30

QUESTIONS? Call 271-0250 ext. 279

LEAF AND YARD WASTE COLLECTION

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:

September 17-21 October 1-5 October 22-26
October 29 – November 2 November 5-9 November 12-16
November 19-23



RETAIL CLOSINGS ON LABOUR DAY

Shoppers and merchants are reminded that under the *Retail Business Holidays Act*, Labour Day – September 3, is among the holidays when most stores must be closed unless City Council has granted an exemption in order to open for business.

Stratford's designated tourism season is May 1 to November 12 each year and includes the Labour Day Holiday.

Stratford City By-law 149-92 permits certain retail establishments in Stratford that meet the tourism criteria established by the Province and that provides goods and services primarily to tourists in Stratford, may open for business on Labour Day under the following provisions:

- The retail business establishment does not open prior to 10:00 am and does not remain open after 4:00 pm
- The number of persons engaged in the serving of the public does not at any time, exceed four (4)
- The total area used for serving, selling or displaying goods or services to the public inside the establishment is less than 278.71m² (3000 square feet).
- Certain larger retail business establishments listed in Schedule "A" to By-law 149-92 as amended, may also open on Labour Day between the hours of 10:00 am and 4:00 pm

Enforcement of the *Retail Business Holidays Act* in Stratford is through Stratford Police Services.

To find out which retail operations are exempted by the Act, call the Ministry of Consumer Services toll-free at 1-800-889-9768. For more information, visit www.sse.gov.on.ca

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