

Town Crier, September 24, 2016

Stratford Town Crier

Public Information, Notices and Meeting Schedules

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT HEARING

The Stratford Committee of Adjustment will consider the following applications at a hearing to be held on Wednesday, October 12, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. in the Avon Room, City Hall Annex, 82 Erie Street, Stratford:

MINOR VARIANCE APPLICATION—A23-16 for 207 Birmingham Street

Purpose: The purpose of this application under Section 44 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990 is to allow a minor variance for 207 Birmingham Street to reduce the front yard depth to 3.3 metres for the repair of an existing porch and for the construction of an addition above the existing porch.

Variances requested:

1. To permit a front yard depth of 3.3 metres whereas 7.5 metres is required.

MINOR VARIANCE APPLICATION—A24-16 for 137 O'Loane Avenue

Purpose: The purpose of this application under Section 44 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990 is to allow a minor variance for 137 O'Loane Avenue to allow a two storey accessory building with a maximum height of an exterior wall of 6.1 metres. The minor variance is required in order to allow the proposed pool shed to be constructed.

Variances requested:

1. To permit a two storey accessory building whereas the lesser of one storey or 5.0 metres is permitted.
2. To permit a maximum height of an exterior wall of an accessory building of 6.1 metres whereas 3.0 metres is permitted.

Additional information regarding the application may be obtained by contacting Jeff Bannon at 519-271-0250 Ext 266 in the Infrastructure and Development Department, Development Division, during normal business hours.

If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the City of Stratford Committee of Adjustment in respect of the proposed consent does not make written submissions to the City of Stratford Committee of Adjustment before it gives or refuses to give a provisional consent, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss the appeal.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the City of Stratford Committee of Adjustment in respect of the proposed consent, you must make a written request to the Secretary-Treasurer, Stratford Committee of Adjustment, 82 Erie Street, 2nd Floor Stratford, ON N5A 2M4. This will also entitle you to be advised of a possible Ontario Municipal Board Hearing. Even if you are the successful party, you should request a copy of the decision since the Stratford Committee of Adjustment decision may be appealed to the Ontario Municipal Board by the applicant or another member of the public.

**PROPERTY TAX
2016 Final Levy Due Date
October 14, 2016**

ATTENTION STRATFORD PROPERTY OWNERS

For your convenience, property tax payments by cheque may be deposited in the mail box at City Hall, Rear Entrance. Payment by Interac and on-line/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.

ANIMAL CONTROL BY-LAW REVIEW WORKING GROUP

The City of Stratford is looking for interested individuals to join the Animal Control By-law Review Working Group. The Working Group will report to Council through the Infrastructure, Transportation and Safety Subcommittee and will provide a forum for consultation, review and exchange of information regarding the City's Animal Control By-law and relevant sections of the Business Licensing By-law. The goals of the Working Group are to share an understanding of the animal control issues and challenges currently facing the community and to work with staff and the community to develop and recommend changes to the City's Animal Control By-law and Business Licensing By-law for Council's consideration.

Interested individuals can submit a letter to the City Clerk by September 30, 2016, expressing their interest in serving on the Working Group, background information about their interest in animal control issues and stating which group they are representing. City Clerk, City Hall, PO Box 818, 1 Wellington Street, Stratford, ON, N5A

6W1, or via email to clerks@stratfordcanada.ca. The Terms of Reference for the Animal Control By-law Review Working Group are available on the City's website at www.stratfordcanada.ca

UPCOMING 2017 BUDGET MEETINGS

Pre-Budget Meeting – October 3, 2016 – 5:15pm in the City Hall Council Chambers

The Finance & Labour Relations Committee of Stratford City Council has scheduled a 2017 Pre-Budget meeting to review preliminary 2017 budget information and discuss general priorities for the budget process. Members of the public are welcome to attend and observe. Agendas and Minutes will be posted as available to the City website under the event calendar.

This is the second 2017 pre-budget meeting. Regular budget deliberations will start near the end of October. These meeting dates will be scheduled and advertised shortly.

2017 Budget Open House – October 3, 2016 – 6:30pm-8:00pm in the City Hall Auditorium

Stratford City Council is holding an Open House for residents to meet with members of Council and provide comments and ideas about the 2017 budget before key decisions are made by Council. This will be an informal session and no presentations are being made.

This public consultation is an important part of the 2017 budget process and City Council invites residents to come out to the Open House on October 3rd.

Please contact the Office of the Director of Corporate Services if you require further information by phone at 519-271-0250 ext. 202, or by email at stfdbudget@stratfordcanada.ca

STRATFORD LAKESIDE ACTIVE ADULTS (55+)

The Stratford Lakeside Active Adults Association (55+) operates out of the Kiwanis Community Centre, and includes over 750 members. Register for all active adult programs at the Kiwanis Community Centre, Monday through Friday, 8:30am – 12:00pm and 1:00pm – 4:30pm, or by calling 519.271.4310. www.stratfordactiveadults.ca.

Livfit Exercise Class

Wednesdays, September 28, October 5, 19, 26 from 11:00am -12:00pm

\$28.00/4-week session or \$8/person/class. Join the Healthy Zoomers, Grant and Diane Hernden, to learn the basics of an effective exercise program to increase muscle strength and balance. You will start at an easy pace and gradually increase in intensity based on your level of comfort and ability. Pre-registration required.

Healthy Active Aging 4-Part Conversational Series

Wednesdays, September 28, October 5, 19, 26 from 10:00 -10:45am

\$6/person/session. Following the incredible success of our introductory Healthy Active Aging seminars in the fall of 2015 and spring of 2016, Diane and Grant Hernden are back with a new 4-part series on how to remain your most healthy and active as you age. Topics include: "Want to Live Longer? Move More, Sit Less!", "How to Get Physical Activity into Your Life Forever", "Inspired Transformations for Active Adults", "Establishing Positive Relationships in Your Life". Sessions are designed to have a fun, casual discussion. Free fitness giveaways. Pre-registration required the Monday before each session.

CITY OF STRATFORD RECREATION PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Child and Youth PA Day Camp – November 4, December 2

\$26/child, Stratford Rotary Complex. Ages 4-12. Meet new friends and develop new skills in a safe, welcoming environment. To register visit www.stratfordrecreation.ca or the Stratford Rotary Complex, 353 McCarthy Road West.

Grade 7 & 8 Teen Dance Fridays – Oct 14, Nov 18, Dec 16

\$10/person, Kiwanis Community Centre. Purchase tickets at door on a first-come, first-serve basis. Dances run 8-11pm, and are supervised by City staff.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Sept 26	Committee of the Whole In-camera Session	6:15 pm	Council Chamber
Sept 26	Regular Council and Standing committees	7:00 pm	Council Chamber
Sept 28	Infrastructure, Transportation and Safety Sub-committee	4:30 pm	Council Chamber
Sept 29	Planning and Heritage Sub-committee	4:30 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.

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

Sept 26	The Local Community Food Centre, 612 Erie Street	5:15 pm
Oct 3	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.

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