



The Town Crier

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Mayor Tompkins and Council wish you all the hope, wonder and joy that the season can bring! May your holidays be merry and the New Year filled with friends, family and good times. Best wishes for happiness and health in the New Year!

THE RESULTS ARE IN!

The majority of people who attended the public input meeting on November 21, 2014 regarding the move of the Town Hall Administration staff, the Police Department and the Library to the Annapolis Royal Regional Academy (ARRA) **ARE IN FAVOUR OF COUNCIL EXPLORING THE CONCEPT FURTHER!**

Thank you to the children at Good Beginnings Day Care Centre who decorated the Christmas trees. Merry Christmas to all.

If you have need to contact a member of Council or Administration during the time the Town Hall is closed in December, please contact: Mayor Tompkins at 902-955-1435 or CAO St-Amour at 902-955-1436. This would be used in case of a major snow storm or extended power outage.

For Public Works Emergencies please contact the Public Works Department at 902-532-8347

Town Hall will be closed from December 24, 2014, to January 1, 2015 Regular office hours will resume January 2, 2015

Town Hall Hours of Operation
The Town Office is open Monday to Friday from 9am to 3pm

Mayor Tompkins Available by appointment Call 902-532-2043 or email mayor@annapolisroyal.com

If you witness any vandalism or unlawful behavior within the Town of Annapolis Royal, please report the incident to the Annapolis Royal Police Department. Thank you for your help in this matter.

To contact the Annapolis Royal Police Department

CALL 902-532-2427

Any time, 24 hours a day

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

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Councillor Sherman Hudson
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Councillor Byron Mersereau
byronmersereau@annapolisroyal.com

**The public is welcome to
attend all meetings.**

Next Meetings

Planning and Heritage Advisory
Committee
December 1st at 9:30am

Committee of the Whole
December 3rd at 6 pm

Marketing & Economic
Development Committee
December 9th at 6 pm

Board of Police Commissioners
December 11th at 9 am

Council
December 15th at 6 pm

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Motions from Unapproved Council Minutes of November 17, 2014

MOTION a) Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014

it was agreed to adopt the audited Consolidated Financial Statements of the Town of Annapolis Royal for fiscal year April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014 as presented. **CARRIED**

MOTION b) Amendment to Human Resources Policy

it was agreed to approve Section 3.14 of the Human Resources Policy be renamed "Recognized Holidays", that Nova Scotia Heritage be added to the list of holidays; that holidays be designated under the appropriate titles of Statutory Holiday, Non-Statutory Holiday or Remembrance Day Act Holiday; eligibility wording should state "...all full time employees of the town..."; and in the second sentence amend to include "...employees shall be eligible who worked the last scheduled work day or shift prior to the holiday and the next scheduled work day or shift following the holiday." and further, that the policy be effective immediately. **CARRIED**

MOTION c) Forcemain Realignment

it was agreed to proceed as proposed in the letter from Hatch Mott MacDonald, dated October 6, 2014 regarding the Forcemain Realignment Cost Proposal in the amount of quoted of \$2,135.00 + HST; and other options for consideration may be submitted to the CAO for their consideration and recommendation. **CARRIED**

MOTION d) Low Income

it was agreed to amend policy 2008-2, Section 2 to increase the income level from \$15,000.00 to \$18,000.00; and the amount be indexed annually by the CPI index amount of Nova Scotia; and this section of the policy to be reviewed every three years. **CARRIED**

MOTION e) Gas Tax – Authorization for Mayor & CAO to Sign Agreement

it was agreed to authorize the signing of the Municipal Funding Agreement for the Transfer of Federal Gas Tax Funds, as presented. **CARRIED**

MOTION f) Appointment of Deputy Mayor

it was agreed that Pat Power be appointed as Deputy Mayor for the Town of Annapolis Royal, for a two year term, subject to the Municipal Government Act. **CARRIED**

MOTION g) Request for Motion to Approve Capital Expenditure

to approve a maximum capital expenditure in the amount of \$6,200. for the purpose of purchasing two 500 gallon, double-walled fuel tanks, shut off valves and bollards; and further to direct the CAO to investigate the possibility of getting tanks from the fuel supplier at no charge for the tanks. **CARRIED**

MOTION h) Arrangement for Compost Drop Off

Council approved continuation of the current arrangement for compost drop off, to be operated at the Public Works Facility and that the service be reviewed on an annual basis including usage and compliance. **CARRIED**

MOTION i) Town Hall December Holidays

Council approved Town Hall be closed on December 24, 2014 to January 1, 2015 inclusive, to reopen for business January 2, 2015 and further, that Town Hall staff use vacation time, unpaid leave or time in lieu in the equivalent amount of 3 days, or use the option to work part or all of the three days that are not holiday days during the period. **CARRIED**

MOTION j) Project Lifesaver Procedures

Council adopted Policy Number 2014-6 titled "Project Lifesaver Procedures" as presented. **CARRIED**

MOTION j) Highway 8 Signs

it was agreed that Council approve the following elements to be included on each Highway 8 sign under the First Impressions Program with Nova Scotia Tourism Agency:

that each sign states "Town of Annapolis Royal"

that each sign highlights one Town attraction in picture form,

wording that states name of attraction, done in consultation with owner/operator of attraction

number of kilometers from sign location to Annapolis Royal, and

Town logo if a redesigned logo is agreed by Council prior to signs being printed;


further, that if funding allows for five signs, that one sign be designed for each of the following attractions: Annapolis Royal Graveyard Tours/Explorer Guide; Fort Anne/Port Royal; Annapolis Historic Gardens; Nova Scotia Power Plant; and King's Theatre;

and further, that if budget allows for a sixth sign, that the North Hills, O'Dell and Sinclair Museums be highlighted on that sign. **CARRIED**

MOTION #C-2014-NOV-17-22

that the resignation of the CAO, Carol St-Amour be accepted with deep regret and with the effective date to be confirmed following further discussion with Ms. St-Amour. **CARRIED**

December Calendar of Events

1	Annapolis Community Health Centre Tree Lighting , Cookies and Caroling at the Annapolis Royal Community Health Centre. Starts at 7pm. Everyone Welcome!	14	Christmas Crackers Music and drama with a seasonal theme. Entry by donation ARTsPLACE 2-4pm
1 To 18	ARCAC Annual Members' Show & Sale multi-artist/multi-disciplinary 1-3pm at ARTsPLACE.	18	Sounds of the Season Annapolis Basin Community Band & Annapolis Voices' Christmas Concert. To be held at King's Theatre 7:30pm
1	Peer Art Critiques at ARTsPLACE 6:30-8:30 pm	19	Annapolis Foodland 14th Annual Christmas Appreciation Sale , 8am to 9pm. Your Hometown Advantage. Everyone welcome!
5	Interstellar —Movietime- In Earth's future, a global crop blight and second Dust Bowl are slowly rendering the planet uninhabitable. Professor Brand (Michael Caine), a brilliant NASA physicist, is working on plans to save mankind by transporting Earth's population to a new home via a wormhole. 7pm at King's Theatre	19	Hunger Games—Mockingjay Following her rescue from the devastating Quarter Quell, Katniss (Jennifer Lawrence) awakes in the complex beneath the supposedly destroyed District 13. Her home, District 12, has been reduced to rubble, and Peeta Mellark (Josh Hutcherson) is now the brainwashed captive of President Snow (Donald Sutherland). 7pm at King's Theatre
5 & 6	Victorian Christmas at the O'Dell House. Join us for our annual celebration of Christmas at the end of the 19th century. The O'Dell House Museum is lavishly appointed with decorations made from the forests and gardens of Annapolis County. Enjoy a glass of hot mulled cider and homemade cookies as you sing carols with friends. 7-9pm at 136 Lower St. George Street.	20	Hunger Games—Mockingjay Following her rescue from the devastating Quarter Quell, Katniss (Jennifer Lawrence) awakes in the complex beneath the supposedly destroyed District 13. Her home, District 12, has been reduced to rubble, and Peeta Mellark (Josh Hutcherson) is now the brainwashed captive of President Snow (Donald Sutherland). 7pm at King's Theatre
6	Christmas Market Extravaganza!! 4 Fun-filled Markets in 1 Day!!! Shuttle Bus runs from 9am to 2pm. You don't want to miss this.	21	The Nutcracker —The Bolshoi Ballet Live (via satellite in HD) and Nutcracker Community Christmas Party. 1:55 pm at the King's Theatre
6	AWEC Fundraiser is a ham/scallop potato, macaroni salad, cole slaw supper, hot applecrisp for dessert. Cost \$8 adult, \$5 children From 4-6pm Proceeds will go to charity. Contact is the school 902-532-3150 or orde5328157@outlook.com	24	11:00 am ARCAC Christmas Caroling (meet at ARCAC) 5:00 pm Blessing of the Crib Children's Service St. Luke's Church 6:30pm Christmas Eve Service St. Louis Catholic Church 7:00pm Christmas Eve Service First United Baptist Church 7:30 pm Candlelight Christmas Eve Service United Church 9:00pm Christmas "Sung" Service St. Luke's Anglican Church
7	Winter Tales Annapolis Voices, also featuring The Treble Makers Childrens' Choir . 3pm and 7:30pm at St. George and St. Andrew United Church 393 St. George Street. Tickets \$15.00. Contact Choir Members or call Donna at 902-532-5200.	25	MERRY CHRISTMAS
7	Interstellar —Movietime- In Earth's future, a global crop blight and second Dust Bowl are slowly rendering the planet uninhabitable. Professor Brand (Michael Caine), a brilliant NASA physicist, is working on plans to save mankind by transporting Earth's population to a new home via a wormhole. 2pm at King's Theatre	25	Christmas "Said" Service to be held at St. Luke's Anglican Church
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9	Land Ho , A King's Film Society. An official selection of the 2014 Sundance Film Festival. Features the bawdily comedic escapades of aged ex-brothers-in-law as they set off across Iceland's first class cities and grand coastlines. Rated 14A, 94 minutes. 7:30 pm at King's Theatre	Jan 1	New Year's Levee 2015 12:00 noon - 4:00 pm. Port Royal Legion Branch 21, 66 Victoria Street. Everyone welcome.
12	Measha Brueggergosman King's Theatre (SOLD OUT) A fantastic vocal range, soul soothing authenticity, storytelling interwoven into her connection with the entangled audience. 7:30-9:30pm King's Theatre		
13	Honouring ARRA —A Journey Through Time—Exhibition, slide show, Music, Open mic. Bring your photos and stories! Closing after 131 years.		

A HUGE THANK YOU to all the volunteer Christmas elves (you know who you are) who spent countless hours decorating the Town with that very special ArtFelt Community Spirit. May the wonders of the season shine down upon all of you. **MERRY CHRISTMAS!**



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year
from Brian and all the pub staff

*New Years Eve Special
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 during the past year, and best wishes to
 you and yours during the holiday season!
Val & Paul Stackhouse

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 available for purchase through our website or by
 contacting us directly at 902-532-2345.



*** www.HillsdaleHouseInn.ca ***



Wishing you a Merry Christmas at Mrs. Nicholson Home
 with special open hours:

Friday, December 12, from 4 pm to 7 pm - with Christmas
 treats and tax-free shopping, and
Saturday, December 13, from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm. Choose
 a vintage gift for that special someone (maybe yourself!) or
 simply stop in to say hi. We'd love to see you!
 Jane and Christine



Annapolis Barber Shop

Re-open for Business
 Monday to Wednesday 8:30am to 4pm
 Thursday – closed
 Friday 8:30am to 4pm
 Saturday 8am to noon



Legion Christmas Market

Port Royal Legion Branch #21

66 Victoria Street

9am-4pm

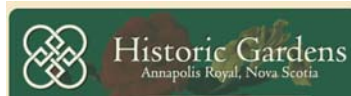
Breakfast & Lunch Served

Get your picture taken with Santa Claus.

Mrs. Claus will be serving hot chocolate and treats.

Folk art, knitted goods, baked goods, jewellery, toys, rugs, hand- made chocolates and lots and lots of crafts!

FREE ADMISSION, FREE PARKING



Annapolis Royal Winter Farmer's Market

at the Historic Gardens
Saturday Mornings, 9am -12 noon.
Your source for local food products
and much, much, more,
from October until May!
Free admission. Call 902-532-7018



37th Christmas Craft Market

Sat. 6th December

9am - 3pm

Annapolis Royal Regional Academy,
St George Street,
Annapolis Royal

Over 80 vendors to inspire your Christmas Spirit with Local Crafts

& Farm Produce:

Art, Needlework, Quilting, Primitive Dolls, Folk Art, Stained Glass,
Jewellery, Woodworking, Custom Furniture, Pottery, Soaps,
Woodcarvings, Chocolates, Holiday Baking, Preserves

and much, much more.....

Admission \$2



Annual Christmas

Children's Family Movie Party

Featuring—The Grinch Who Stole Christmas

The Annapolis Royal Lions Club in partnership with the Annapolis Royal Kings Theatre will be hosting their annual Christmas Children's Family Movie Party on Saturday December 6th 2014. Doors open at 9:45 am with the movie starting at 10:30 am, there is no charge for admission. After the movie the children will be provided with treats handed out by Lion Santa Claus and his Lion Elves. The Annapolis Royal Lions Club wish to thank the staff of the Kings Theatre for their efforts as well as the members of the Annapolis Royal Volunteer Fire Department who every year transport Santa to the theatre with sirens blaring. Submitted by Peter Sleight PR Chair 902 532-2846.

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 www.ExploreAnnapolisRoyal.com

Annual Christmas Tree Sales

The Annapolis Royal Lions Club will be conducting its annual Christmas Tree Sales from November 28 to December 24, while their supply lasts, at the Annapolis Royal Home Hardware Building Centre. Lions will be present 7 days a week from noon on Monday through Friday and all day on Saturday and Sunday. Proceeds from the sale supports local Lions Club charitable projects such as the school lunch program, high school bursaries, donations to the Annapolis Royal Health Centre, purchase of eye glasses for those in need, assistance to seniors and youth and support to the food bank. Peter Sleight PR Chair 902-532-2846.

ARTfelt Christmas in Annapolis Royal

The magic begins November 28.

Christmas spirit guaranteed throughout December!

Where can you find 400 years of history completely transformed by unique, original Christmas displays and innovative public art? Annapolis Royal is Nova Scotia's BEST place to discover the magic of Christmas. With an even more spectacular display this year, the Christmas decorations throughout Annapolis Royal are bigger, better and brighter than anything you've seen before.

ARTfelt Community Christmas has been made possible for the past three years, thanks to a crew of talented volunteers, artists and elves who rose to the challenge in 2012 to help with the Christmas decorating needs of the Town. Armed with their imaginations and glue guns, you'll never look at Christmas decorations the same way again! The countless hours they've shared with the community, along with the support of local businesses, the Town of Annapolis Royal and the Annapolis Board of Trade, bring a unique Christmas magic to town. Dazzling displays, whimsical wreaths, traditional trees and breathtaking banners (77 handpainted banners in fact) are ready to inspire you throughout Annapolis Royal. In front of the boat haul-up, a seven foot drift wood Christmas tree. Outside the Post Office, colourfully-painted tin can mailboxes. In Petit-Park, hand-made-and-painted Christmas trees straight from a Dr. Seuss story. And you've got to see the store window displays to believe them - have you ever seen antique

Christmas nut smokers? New displays, more lights and a few surprises are sure to spark your Christmas spirit in the most ARTfelt ways!



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ANNAPOLIS VOICES
 Present

WINTER Tales

Sunday, December 7, 2014
 3:00 PM & 7:30 PM

St. George and St. Andrew
 United Church
 393 St. George Street
 Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia

Artistic Director
 Deirdre Morrell-Ormerod
 Accompanist:
 Elizabeth Harwood

Also featuring:
 The Treble Makers
 Children's Chorus

Tickets: \$15.00
 Contact Choir Members
 Or Call Donna: 902-532-5200

ANNAPOLIS VOICES
 CHORAL SOCIETY

Port Royal Legion Br 21

The RCL Br 21 events for December are:

Monday 1:15 p.m - Bridge
 Tuesday 1:30 p.m - Snr Pool
 Tuesday 7:00 p.m - Darts
 Wednesday 7:00 p.m. - Bingo
 Thursday 7:00 p.m. - Drink and Draw
 Thursday 11 December 6:30 p.m - Executive Meeting & 7:00 p.m General Meeting

Saturday 6 December

Christmas Craft Fair - 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m There will be crafts for your Christmas shopping pleasure, live Christmas music, raffle draws, Santa with his elves, and canteen. Breakfast served from 8:00 - 11:00.

Did you know???

...86 people responded to our recent logo survey

32% liked Logo A

33% liked Logo B

35% Neither A or B

Council has asked the Marketing and Economic Development Committee to continue to work on the logo design and bring further options forward by January 31, 2015

ANNAPOLIS ROYAL SENIORS' AFTERNOON OUT

A safe, supervised, and enriching afternoon
An opportunity to keep active and maintain independence
A chance to socialize and exercise
A respite opportunity for caregivers
Come and enjoy an afternoon of fun!
Monday and Thursday 1 to 4 pm
at the Annapolis Royal Nursing Home
Cost \$5.00
(A nutritious snack will be served)

For more information call
Jane MacKay, Coordinator 902-532-8389

FREECYCLING COMMUNITY SWAP

Will not be held due to lack of response.
The Town received a total 8 responses
from residents.

Town of Annapolis Royal Winter Parking

Whereas it is necessary to make the following winter parking regulations to facilitate the removal of snow in the Town of Annapolis Royal, effective either on the first snow storm or December 1, 2014 (whichever is earliest) to April 30, 2015, between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 8:00am, no person shall park or leave standing a motor vehicle upon any highway or street within the Town limits in accordance with provisions of the Motor Vehicle Act. Vehicles, whether attended or unattended, shall not be left in a position or manner which may interfere with or obstruct snow removal or winter maintenance operations. Thank you!

BEWARE!!!

The newest virus circulating is the Canada Post/UPS/Fed Ex/USPS Delivery Failure. You will receive an e-mail from UPS, Fed Ex, or USPS along with a packet number. It will say that they were unable to deliver a package sent to you on such-and-such a date. It then asks you to print out the invoice copy attached. **DON'T TRY TO PRINT THIS. IT LAUNCHES THE VIRUS!** Pass this warning on to all your PC operators at work and home.



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A MUST SEE - the Holiday Explorer

<http://www.exploreannapolisroyal.com/HolidayExplorer/FLASH/index.html>

The Annapolis Board of Trade (ABoT) is so busy we are holding two meetings in December! Our special December "social" meeting will take place on **Thursday, December 11th, starting at 6:30 pm** at Leo's Cafe, with chef/owner Paula Buxton providing her signature nibbles. Guest speaker Glenn Squires, the new president of TIANS - the Tourism Industry Association of Nova Scotia, will speak at **7:00 pm**. Mr. Squires will tell us his views of the tourism season for 2015 and what we all need to do to be ready for it. A Q&A will follow. All members welcome.

ABoT's regular General Meeting will be held the evening before, **Wednesday, December 10th, at 7:00 pm** at Ye Olde Towne Pub, second floor. Again, all members are welcome.

Town of Annapolis Royal Employment Opportunity Chief Administrative Officer

For information about this exciting employment opportunity, visit <http://annapolisroyal.com/> or call 902-532-3146.



Active Living News

Here's what's happening in the Town of Annapolis Royal to help keep you active, healthy, and happy!

Friday Family Fun Nights at ARRA!

Starting November 7, Every Friday Night, 6:30 to 8PM at the ARRA Gym continuing until December 19th! Students of all ages accompanied by a parent are invited, and it's free!! Sports and games equipment will be provided by the school, and there will be program leaders to lead games and activities! Come have fun and keep active!

For more information please contact Noah Scanlan at 902-955-1205, or email alc@annapolisroyal.com

Construction at Grant Potter Park

Construction of the new natural play space features at the Grant Potter Park located downtown is still taking place, and the park will remain closed until mid-December due to safety concerns. [Thanks for your patience, and thanks to all who attended the presentation of funding on November 1st from the Province of Nova Scotia by The Honourable Stephen McNeil, Premier of Nova Scotia!](#) Please follow the "Town of Annapolis Royal" on Facebook for up to the minute information regarding the re-opening and other active living news, or if you wish to be contacted directly when the park is scheduled to re-open, please contact Noah Scanlan at 902-955-1205, or email alc@annapolisroyal.com

For more information including programs, please contact Noah Scanlan, Active Living Coordinator, at alc@annapolisroyal.com, or call (902)-955-1205. For up to the minute info on events and cancellations, please "Like" the Town of Annapolis Royal on Facebook.

Committee Members Sought For Council Committees

Annapolis Royal Town Council is seeking applications for membership on various Council Committees.

Planning and Heritage Committee – 2 members
Board of Police Commissioners – 2 members
Marketing and Economic Development Committee – 2 business representatives and 2 members at large

Interested individuals are requested to provide a cover letter and resume by 3:00 p.m., Wednesday December 10th, 2014 to:

Attention: Chief Administrative Officer
Town of Annapolis Royal
P. O. Box 310, 285 St. George Street,
Annapolis Royal, B0S 1A0

For further information about these committees, please contact the CAO directly via email cao@annapolisroyal.com or 902-532-3146.

Snow and Ice Control

This is a reminder to owners or occupiers of building or vacant lots, that they are responsible for clearing snow and ice from the sidewalks on St. George Street in the business section as well as removing accumulated snow or icicles from roofs overhanging St. George Street. The business section is defined as the area from the Dargie Plaza (324 St George Street) to the wharf at the lower end of St. George street. Sidewalks must be cleared of snow and ice within four (4) hours of daylight or four (4) hours from the time it ceases to snow, if snowing occurs after daylight. Compliance with this bylaw is necessary in order to make the business section of the Town of Annapolis Royal safe for pedestrians. Failure to comply may result in prosecution under the Town of Annapolis Royal Streets Bylaw, Section 9 through 11 inclusive. A copy of this bylaw is available on line at www.annapolisroyal.com or from the Town Hall.

WASTE COLLECTION PICK-UP

Wednesday December 3, 17 and 31, 2014

For more information contact Valley Waste at 1-877-927-8300

Municipal Electoral Boundary Review Consultation Number of Polling Districts and Number of Councillors Invitation for Town Residents to Provide Input to Council

Commencing in 2014 and every 8 years thereafter each council in Nova Scotia must conduct a study of the number and boundaries of polling districts in the municipality, their fairness and reasonableness, and number of councillors.

In 2010, the Town of Annapolis Royal had one polling district for all electors and six council members (Mayor and 5 Councillors). In 2011, the Town of Annapolis Royal Council requested permission to reduce the number of councillors from six to five. The reduction was approved by the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board and in the October 2012 election, five positions were available on council. Today, Town Council remains at five members (Mayor and 4 Councillors) and all residents are represented by the whole of Council within one polling district.

Municipalities must submit at least two options for number of council members and number of polling districts. Currently, the Town has one polling district for all electors and five members of council represent all electors in the one district.

Council is interested in your comments on whether to retain one polling district or increase to more than one polling district and whether the size of Council should remain at five members or increase to six members.

Residents are invited to provide comments:

- In person on Wednesday, December 3 at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers
- Via email to: admin@annapolisroyal.com by 3:00 p.m. December 5, 2014
- Via letter to: CAO, Town of Annapolis Royal, 285 St. George Street, PO Box 310, Annapolis Royal, NS B0S 1A0

Queries about consultations are welcomed at 902-532-2043.