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WHAT'S UP ANNAPOLIS?

Welcome to New Staff and Summer Students!

“You’ll never get bored when you try something new. There’s really no limit to what you can do.” - Dr. Seuss

The Town of Annapolis Royal welcomes Ken Knox as the Community Development Coordinator and Taylor Robinson as the Administrative Assistant for the Town. Both started at the end of June. These positions were vacant for some time due to COVID 19. We are happy to have them with us. Please see page 3 for Ken and Taylor’s bios.

This summer the Town has two summer students who will be working with us for 8 weeks, beginning on July 6th. We welcome back Joe Bezanson as the summer Events Coordinator and we also welcome Madison Edwards, who will be joining us for the first time as the 400th Anniversary Administrative Facilitator.

Please also see the note about Janet Schefter (in the ARPD news section) who will be joining us in July.

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Mayor MacDonald Office Hours
Tues to Fri / 10 am-4 pm
and available by appointment

The Town Crier is a publication of the Town of Annapolis Royal.
Copies are made available throughout the community, online at www.annapolisroyal.com and by email subscription.
Contact admin@annapolisroyal.com to be added to the email list.

Submissions are welcomed and deadlines vary monthly, with the deadline for the August edition being July 20st
Please contact
admin@annapolisroyal.com
or 902-532-2043 ext. 102 if you have any questions.

Police Emergency: 911
Police Non-Emergency:
902-532-2427

Public Works Emergency:
902-532-8347

MAYOR'S MESSAGE



Mayor Bill MacDonald

A well known George Gershwin tune proclaims, "Summertime, and the living is easy." But as summer arrives, living has been anything but easy in the midst of the global pandemic. Public health restrictions separated us from family and friends; restricted our movements and social gatherings; and regrettably prompted the cancellation of many popular annual events. Including, Annapolis Royal's Eastereggstravaganza; PRIDE Annapolis Royal; Canada Day; and Natal Day Weekend. As well as the Annapolis Valley Apple Blossom Festival, and the Annapolis Valley Exhibition.

So it's not surprising, after months of staying home to reduce community transmission of the Coronavirus, amidst widespread closures of businesses, layoffs, and a loss of public services and amenities, that news of a reopening of our province was greeted with relief and excitement. And jubilation at Premier McNeil's announcement of an 'Atlantic Bubble' - allowing for interprovincial travel between Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Newfoundland & Labrador. Welcomed news indeed for our economy, and the accommodation and tourism sectors in particular.

However, provincial public health officials caution that we'll be living with COVID-19 for the foreseeable future; so we must all remain diligent with precautions to protect ourselves and our neighbours. During these challenging times, we need to remain optimistic and be more than simply residents and property owners.

We need to be TEAM ANNAPOLIS ROYAL - seizing upon every opportunity to welcome visitors and show our support for local businesses, as they welcome us back to their shops, restaurants, and attractions.

COMMUNITY

O Canada (and Annapolis Royal)!

Council and Staff wish everyone a Happy 153rd Canada Day! Please check out our new Canada Day Video on Facebook @TownOfAnnapolisRoyal.

Due to physical distancing measures and gathering limitations remaining in place, for the safety of our residents, there will be no Canada Day events this year.

Be safe, be proud to be Canadian, and celebrate Canada's 153rd Birthday!!



"Canada has always been there to help people who need it." Prime Minister Justin Trudeau



COMMUNITY



Welcome to Town Hall New Staff



Ken Knox

My name is Ken Knox and I am the Community Development Coordinator for Annapolis Royal. I am responsible for coordinating Town events, supporting sub-committees of Council and the administration of heritage properties, building, fire, and development applications. I also work with the Town's social media.

Prior to coming to Annapolis Royal, I had been an expatriate for 30 years, living in Europe, Central America, and Southwest Asia. Most recently I was a project manager dealing with the construction/renovation of schools internationally. Before that, I was a school leader and a teacher (grade 5!). One hundred years ago (seemingly), I was a non-commissioned officer in the Army.

I have lived in Annapolis Royal for the past 3-ish years with my wonderful wife Lynn, 2 dogs, and a slightly naughty cat- all of whom travelled here with us from Abu Dhabi.



Taylor Robinson

Hello!

My name is Taylor Robinson, I am 22 years old from Digby, NS.

I graduated from Nova Scotia Community College with a Business Administration diploma in June 2018.

Outside of work, I enjoy spending time with friends and family, painting, and being outdoors.

I love meeting new people and learning new things so I am very excited to be joining the Town of Annapolis Royal team as the Administrative Assistant.



GET MOVIN'



Summer Concert Series returns July 10 at the "O"!

There will be live music performed Friday nights at the Oqwa'titek Ampitheatre from 6-8PM this summer! A full list of performers will be released soon on www.annapolisroyal.com. Required measures will be taken to ensure that social distancing and gathering limit requirements are met, and the events will be managed to ensure safety for audience and performers. In the event of bad weather or changes in safety restrictions on gathering limits, events will be postponed until a later date. Dancing will be permitted in small groups too with appropriate social distancing/"bubble" rules in place. Hope to see you at the "O"!

Annapolis Royal Recreation Pop-Up Summer Events!

There will be some fun outdoor pop-up events hosted by Annapolis Royal Summer Staff this summer. African drumming lessons, guided hikes, and sports skills activity sessions, a full list of activities will follow in mid-July. Measures will be taken to ensure that social distancing and gathering limit requirements are met, and the events will be managed in a way to ensure safety for all participants. Please follow Town of Annapolis Royal on Facebook for more information and to sign up!

"Do what we can, summer will have its flies." —Ralph Waldo Emerson

CHIEF'S CORNER



Welcome to SUMMER!

While some COVID-19 restriction remain in place, we fully anticipate many people visiting the Town of Annapolis Royal during the summer months.

Chief T.G. (Tim) Moser

Please be mindful of the increase in pedestrian and vehicle traffic that will most likely occur. You will also note additional signage, which limits parking along Saint George Street between Saint Anthony Street and the Market to 4 hours. Parking with unlimited times are noted on the town web-page so please make use of these spaces if you wish to park in excess of 4 hours during specific times. Your patience and understanding is greatly appreciated and our visitors will thank you for freeing up additional parking for them.

I would like to welcome Constable Janet Shefter as the newest member of the Annapolis Royal Police. Janet has been brought in as a casual employee in order to cover shifts when one of our full-time members is on leave. Janet is originally from Ontario and comes with considerable policing experience from the Toronto and Barrie areas. Amongst her many skills, her strengths are in community relations and youth. Welcome Janet – I know you will fit in very well in this small yet strong community.

While many of scheduled events for July have been cancelled, I still encourage you to check the Town webpage to see when and where changes will occur as the province continues to relax some of the restrictions due to COVID-19. I would also encourage you to go the following provincial link in order to keep current on restrictions and permissible activities: <https://novascotia.ca/coronavirus>.

If June was any indication, this summer will be a warm one. Please be safe when partaking in water sports and be reminded NOT to leave animals or small children unattended in your vehicles.

Have a safe and happy 153rd Birthday, Canada!

Emergency Line: 911

General Police Line: 902-532-2427

Office Location: 285 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal (right side of the Town Hall)

Social Media: Contact us on Facebook or on the Town of Annapolis Royal web-page

Police Facebook Page: @ARPoliceD

Town Facebook Page: @townofannapolisroyal

Town of Annapolis Royal Web-Page: annapolisroyal.com

CRIMESTOPPERS: 902-422-8477 OR crimestoppers.ns.ca

Police Statistics for the Month of May	
#	Nature of the Call
4	Speeding
1	Traffic Accidents
1	Insurance
2	MV Inspection
1	Driving Disqualified / Unlicensed
1	MV Inspection
1	Suspended Driving
4	Other Motor Vehical
10	Warnings
2	Misleading Police Officer
2	Lost & Found
2	Assaults
2	False Alarms
32	Assistance to the Public
28	Property Checks
1	Animal Calls
1	Fraud
2	Other Prov. Offences
1	Suspicious Persons/Vehicle
0	Firearms Act
2	Wellbeing Check
100	TOTAL



"Summer afternoon—summer afternoon; to me those have always been the two most beautiful words in the English language." —Henry James

EVENTS FOR THE MONTH

Please forward August submissions by July 20th to: admin@annapolisroyal.com.

Events

Live Music at the "O"

Every Friday, July & August, 6 pm - 8 pm

July 10 - Joker's Right

July 17 - Whisky Creek

July 24 - The Mark Bezanson Trio

July 31 - TBD

Bruce Guthro's Songwriters Circle

(See www.kingstheatre.ca for details)

Online Events

Canada Day Across the Country Celebrations

Daytime Show:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/canada-day/online-celebrations/daytime-show.html>

Evening Show:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/canada-day/online-celebrations/evening-show.html>

Halifax Canada Day Celebrations, 7 pm

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCM8Iyqh9P_EjTvqeMgGKBQw/

Recurring

Wednesday Farmers' Market/July & August,
9am-12pm / Market Square

Saturday Farmers' Market/9am-12pm /
Market Square

Friday Summer Concert Series at the "O"
(starts July 10)/6 pm - 8 pm)



Upcoming meetings

Open to the public via FACEBOOK
Agendas available online

Planning & Heritage Advisory
Committee
July 6th @ 9am

Committee of the Whole
July 2nd @ 4 pm

Traffic Flow Advisory Committee
July 9th @ 9am

Board of Police Commissioners
July 8th @ 10 am

Marketing & Economic Development
Committee
July 14th @ 6 pm

Environment Advisory Committee
July 8th @ 2 pm

Council
July 20th @ 4 pm

Special Council
July 6th and July 20th @ 10 am

Legion events: Facebook for details on
their events.

All King's Theatre events & films:
www.kingstheatre.ca

ARCA (ARTsPLACE) events:
arcac-artsplace.weebly.com

All Community Hub events:
www.valleylibrary.ca/calendar/

For more details & up-to-date events,
visit the online Community Calendar at
annapolisroyal.com.



TOWN HALL... STAY CONNECTED

Town Hall will be closed Wednesday, July 1 for Canada Day



Mail-Chimp News Updates

Want to follow important updates for the Town of Annapolis Royal? Ensure to subscribe to our Mail Chimp. Send your subscription request to admin@annapolisroyal.com.



Parking on St. George Street

Just a reminder that there is 4hr parking limit. Signs are now posted along both sides of St. George St. There are the following designated parking lots for Unlimited Day Parking: Town Hall - 285 St. George St.; Sinclair Inn Museum - 230 St. George St.; Farmers' Market - 194 St. George St.; Port Royal Legion - 66 Victoria St., and French Basin Trail - 112 Prince Albert Rd.



Nova Scotia Works/PeopleWorx Offices, Annapolis Royal

On March 16th, our Nova Scotia Works/PeopleWorx Offices suspended all in-person services due to COVID-19 public health directives, and our physical offices continue to remain closed until further notice. We are, however, still very much available to assist you with your needs. We are actively supporting our clients through virtual means (email, phone, video chat, etc.). In you require Employment Assistance or are an Employer in need of support, please contact us at habel@peopleworx.ca or 1-902-532-0605. We look forward to hearing from you.



Annapolis Royal Farmers and Traders Market

As of July 1st, walk up sales will be allowed. Also, more vendors will be added and Wednesday markets will be launched. Always fresh and always local!



Comfort Station

The Comfort Station (24 Drury Lane) is now open 7 days a week from 8am to 8pm.



Sandwich Boards

The summer season is upon us. This year attracting passers-by is more critical than ever. Sandwich Boards are an effective way to catch a shopper's eye as well as share your message. If your business or organization does not currently have a sign on Town property, we encourage you to consider this engaging method of reaching out. There are conditions, but it is worth finding out more.

The costs are a reasonable \$25 for 1 year or \$50 for 3 years (that's 1 free year!) for businesses. For non-profit organizations, placement is free, but you must submit an application.

Contact Ken at Town Hall for more details (902 532 2043 ex 105 or kknox@annapolisroyal.com). If it is time to renew your sign permit, Ken will contact you!

Volunteer Opportunities

The Town of Annapolis Royal is looking for residents interested in volunteering to serve as part of the following committees:

The new Accessibility Advisory Committee

The Board of Police Commissioners

The Marketing and Economic Development Committee

For more information contact CAO Sandi Millett-Campbell at cao@annapolisroyal.com or 902-532-2043 x 104.

The Audit Committee is seeking a citizen volunteer. Contact Director of Finance Melony Robinson at finance@annapolisroyal.com

Waste Collection Pick-Up

Pick-up dates:

July 14th & 28th

Please contact Valley Waste for all waste related matters: 1-877-927-8300 or see their website for email addresses: www.vwrm.com

"Summertime is always the best of what might be." —Charles Bowden

St Anthony Street Intersection Improvements

The Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal (TIR) and the Town of Annapolis Royal are working together on the St Anthony Street intersection improvements. TIR will also be repaving the road from Parker's Mountain Road to the Town limits and exit 22 into town limits. The intersection will be upgraded to include the Fire Hall entrance on Prince Albert Road, change the angle on the entrance to Fortier Mills Lane and change the angle and add two exits off St Anthony Street on to Prince Albert Road.

The opportunity arose to work together with TIR and cost share the project at a cost share of 50% of the project with the Town's share at \$150K. The intersection improvements will be funded by the Town's Gas Tax money. The Department of Municipal Affairs and Housing administers the Federal Gas Tax Administrative Agreement and distributes Federal Gas Tax Fund allocation payments to municipalities. Council has accumulated the funds year after year for projects just like this one. This amount is funded through the gas tax money so there was no impact on the current tax rate to cover this project.

As with all roadwork there will be delays in and around the area of Fortier Mills Lane and Prince Albert Road by the Fire Hall. The work is expected to start next week.



Payment Options

Tax and water bill payments can be made on-line, at the bank, drop off in the old Library book drop off slot or in person at Town Hall. Please note that there will be social distancing restrictions and a limit of 2 people at a time in the lobby. Any inquiries please contact us at 902-532-2043.

Dogs Must be on a Leash

Please be reminded to keep your dog on a leash and pick up after your pet, as per the Dog By-law. 'Keep the dogs on the leash, keep them calm (keep them calm!). A dog on a leash means no harm.' Dogs on the Leash - The O'Reillys and the Paddyhats <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QLPaeaCw9Lc>

COUNCIL MOTIONS

Under the current state of emergency and the MGA, all meetings are required to have unapproved draft minutes posted within 24 hours. Please visit our website for all Committee minutes and motions.

<https://annapolisroyal.com/town-hall/council-and-committees/council/>

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**Notice of 2nd Reading and Passing
to the
The Town of Annapolis Alternative Voting
By-Law
&
The Town of Annapolis Police By-Law**

TAKE NOTICE THAT Annapolis Town Council will hold 2nd reading and passing of the following Bylaws at the July 20, 2020 4:00 p.m. Council meeting:

*The Town of Annapolis Alternative Voting
By-law
&
Town of Annapolis Police By-Law*

Persons wishing to make a presentation, verbally or in writing, must contact administration by July 16, 2020 do so at the Council meeting on July 20, 2020.

Copies of the proposed bylaw amendments are available at admin@annapolisroyal.com.

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"Everything good, everything magical happens between the months of June and August." —Jenny Han, The Summer I Turned Pretty