

Town Crier, August 22, 2020

Stratford Town Crier

Public Information, Notices and Meeting Schedules

PARKING UPDATE

Free parking in the City of Stratford ends on August 30, 2020. This means that starting Monday, August 31, 2020 payment at parking meters and pay by plate machines will be required.

The parking rate at on-street parking spaces is \$1.50/hr and the rate in lots is \$1.25/hr.

All other provisions of the Traffic and Parking By-law, including maximum parking time limits, no-parking and no-stopping areas, continue to be in effect.

As a friendly reminder, if you are parking in an area with a 4-hour limit, you must move your vehicle before that 4-hour time limit has expired. Failure to do so could result in a parking ticket being issued. All maximum parking time limits are being enforced.

Enforcement of the By-law is as follows:

- From November 1 to March 31 - Monday-Saturday 9:00 am to 6:00 pm
- From April 1 to October 31 - Monday-Saturday 9:00 am to 8:00 pm
- December 1 – April 30 there will be four (4) hours of free parking on Saturdays.

For more information on parking in the downtown core, please visit the City's website at <https://www.stratford.ca/en/live-here/parking.aspx> or contact the Clerk's Office at 519-271-0250 extension 5230.

COMMUNITY SAFETY AND WELLBEING PLAN: SURVEY

Have you ever felt unsafe in your community?

Do you have people you can rely on in times of need?

How satisfied are you with life as a whole?

These are the kinds of questions that are included in an online survey launched recently to help gather input for a Community Safety and Wellbeing Plan being developed for Stratford, St. Marys, North Perth, West Perth, Perth East and Perth South.

The plan will focus on ways community members, government, local agencies and stakeholders can work together to sustain and improve the overall quality of life for residents in those communities.

The survey is available at www.surveymonkey.com/r/CSWBPSurvey

To participate by telephone or to receive a hard copy of the survey, please call 519-271-3773 extension 231 or email jfast@stratford.ca

AGRIPLEX REOPENING AUGUST 24

As part of the phased re-opening of City of Stratford administrative offices and facilities, the Burnside Agriplex will open on Monday, August 24.

The general hours of operation from August 24 through to September 30 will be:

- Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 11 p.m.
 - Use of the facility during this time will be for pre-booked meetings and activities, and to access the main floor lobby washrooms only. Drop-in programs will not be permitted unless otherwise indicated.
- Saturday, 7 a.m. – 11 p.m.
 - Direct access to the Farmer's Market, pre-approved meetings and activities and public washrooms only.
- Sunday, 9 a.m. – 11 p.m.
 - Direct access to pre-approved meetings and activities and public washrooms only.

A select group of drop-in recreation programs for members of the Stratford Lakeside Active Adults is scheduled to resume as of Monday, September 8th. For more information on the Fall active adult program, visit www.stratfordactiveadults.ca.

Safety measures have been put in place at the Agriplex to help prevent the spread of COVID-19, and to keep citizens and City employees safe:

- Entry and exit will be through the front door only.
- We encourage everyone to wear a mask or face covering while inside. We recognize that not everyone can wear a mask, but if you can, please do.
- Hand sanitizer will be available at several locations throughout the building, including at our service counters.

- Signs have been placed throughout the building to direct citizens, and to reinforce the need to stay at least 2 metres (6 feet) away from others where possible. Markings will be used to indicate safe distances for those waiting in line.
- Plexiglass barriers have been installed at our service counters.
- Enhanced cleaning and sanitizing are being done.

Even after the Agriplex has reopened to the public, many services will continue to be offered online, by phone, drop-off or mail. This includes the ability to reserve a spot in a recreation program or facility. For more information please visit www.stratfordrecreation.ca or call 519-271-4310.

MEETING SCHEDULE

August 24	Committee of the Whole In-camera	1:00pm	Electronic Participation
August 24	Regular Council Meeting	3:00pm	Electronic Participation
August 25	Finance and Labour Relations Committee	3:30pm	Electronic Participation

Given the COVID-19 Pandemic, the declared emergency and the closures of the building to the public, Rogers will be posting the video of the Regular Council meeting through their service and on their website. The City will also be posting a video to our website once available. Agendas can be accessed from the City's website. The Town Crier is also posted on the City's website.

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