

Town Crier, October 10, 2020

Stratford Town Crier

Public Information, Notices and Meeting Schedules

PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS TO ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

The City of Stratford is seeking interest from members of the public to fill vacancies on City advisory committees and local boards. These public appointments are open to Stratford residents and eligible electors who are at least 18 years of age (with the exception of the youth representative positions who can be under 18 years of age). Experienced and new members welcomed!

You can make a difference by serving on an advisory committee or board. The purpose of advisory committees and local boards is to provide advice to City Council and contribute to the development of policies, programs and initiatives that enhance our quality of life. The community benefits from your expertise, enthusiasm and civic pride. To find out more about the work of these advisory committee and boards and to review advisory meeting minutes, please visit the City's website. Persons interested in being appointed to the advisory committees and boards listed below are asked to complete, and **return no later than October 23, 2020**, an application form that is available from the City's web site at: www.stratfordcanada.ca or at the Clerk's Office, Ground Floor of City Hall, 1 Wellington Street during business hours.

Accessibility Advisory Committee – Meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 11:30 a.m. to improve opportunities for persons with disabilities and to provide for involvement in the identification, removal and prevention of barriers to full participation in the community. The Accessibility Advisory Committee shall be comprised of 9 members, with a majority of the members being persons with disabilities as prescribed in the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005. There are positions available for four (4) citizens and two (2) agency representatives for 2-year terms.

Active Transportation Advisory Committee (ATAC) - Meets the 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. to serve as a forum for the public to raise their viewpoints on particular active transportation issues and/or other findings and to bring these interests to the attention of the appropriate staff, departments or standing committees. The ATAC also acts to educate, promote and enhance active transportation in the City of Stratford. There are two (2) citizen representative positions and one (1) Avon Trail representative position available for 2-year terms.

Communities in Bloom Committee – Meets the first Thursday of the month at 12:00 p.m. The mandate of the Communities in Bloom Committee is:

- To foster civic pride, environmental protection and beautification, through community participation;
- To improve the tidiness, appearance and visual appeal of neighbourhoods, parks, open spaces and streets;
- To focus on environmental awareness and preservation of heritage and culture;
- To be financially sustainable.

There are six (6) citizen representative positions available for 2-year terms.

Energy & Environment Committee – Meets on the first Thursday of the month at 4:00 p.m. to advise Council relating to waste reduction initiatives, water and energy conservation and preservation of natural areas. There are three (3) citizen positions, one (1) CBEAC representative and one (1) AREA representative position available for 2-year terms.

Heritage Stratford – Meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. to deal with matters relating to the promotion of architectural designing and conserving of heritage architecture and heritage designations. There are positions available for four (4) citizens for 2-year terms. Special interest groups are also invited to request a representative on the Committee at this time.

Stratfords of the World - Ontario Committee - Meets periodically throughout the year at the call of the Chair. The mandate of the Stratfords of the World Committee is:

- To encourage community partnerships which provide additional opportunities;
- To assist with the recurring reunion program with other Stratfords every two years;
- To ensure that the annual Friendship Flower Bed is updated;
- To be financially sustainable.

There are four (4) citizen representative positions available for 2-year terms.

Additional information regarding these advisory committees is available upon request from the City Clerk's Office, 519-271-0250, ext. 5237. Attention: Clerk, The Corporation of the City of Stratford, City Hall, P.O. Box 818, Stratford ON N5A 6W1

The deadline for receipt of all applications is Friday, October 23, 2020.

Personal information collected through the appointment process will be used by City Council for the purpose of making appointments to boards and committees. Questions regarding this collection should be directed to the Clerk, 1 Wellington Street, P.O. Box 818, Stratford, ON N5A 6W1, telephone 519-271-0250, Ext. 5329 during business hours.

PUBLIC INPUT INVITED - STRATFORD LANDFILL SITE

The City of Stratford welcomes feedback on the operation of its Romeo Street landfill site, and there are several options to provide it.

Comments can be made to the Infrastructure and Development Services department by calling 519-271-0250 ext. 261 or by emailing ids@stratford.ca by Friday, October 16, 2020.

Citizens are also invited to comment on the operation of the landfill site at the ITS Sub-committee electronic meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 28, 2020 by:

Written comments can be emailed to clerks@stratford.ca. Comments received by Wednesday, October 21 will be included with the agenda for the meeting. Comments received by Noon on the meeting date will be circulated to members of Sub-committee; or

Requesting to appear as a delegation. Delegation requests can be made by email to clerks@stratford.ca or by completing the "Register as a Delegation form" on the City's website. Details for participating in the meeting will be provided once the request is confirmed. These requests must be received by 10 a.m. on the day of the meeting.

Answers to some frequently asked questions about the Stratford Landfill Site can be found on the City's website at <https://www.stratford.ca/en/live-here/landfill-faq.aspx>

Notice of Collection: Personal information is collected under the authority of the Municipal Act, 2001 and will be used by City Staff and City Council to assist in making a decision on this matter. All names, addresses, opinions and comments will be made available for public disclosure. Questions regarding this collection should be forwarded to Tatiana Dafoe, City Clerk, 1 Wellington Street, P.O. Box 818, Stratford ON N5A 6W1, by emailing: tdafoe@stratford.ca or by telephone 519-271-0250 ext.5237 during business hours.

THANKSGIVING DAY HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

City of Stratford administration offices will be closed Monday October 12, 2020.

LANDFILL SITE HOURS

Closed Monday, October 12, 2020 for Thanksgiving Day Holiday.

CURBSIDE RECYCLING and GARBAGE SCHEDULE

There will be no change in the Recycling or Garbage Collection programs on Monday, October 12.

Please ensure materials are to the curb prior to 8:00am on collection dates.

For further information, telephone 519-271-0250 ext. 279.

Leaf and Yard Waste Collection Weeks: October 19-23, October 26 – 30, November 2-6, November 9-13, November 16-20



RETAIL CLOSINGS ON THANKSGIVING

Shoppers and merchants are reminded that under the *Retail Business Holidays Act*, Thanksgiving – October 12 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 Thanksgiving 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 Thanksgiving 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 Thanksgiving 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

2021 BUDGET MEETINGS

Stratford's Finance and Labour Relations Committee has scheduled the following meetings to formulate recommendations to City Council concerning approval of the 2021 budget.

Date	Time	
November 27, 2020	9:00am to 3:00pm	Electronic Participation
December 2, 2020	3:30pm	Electronic Participation
December 9, 2020	3:30pm	Electronic Participation
December 16, 2020	3:30pm	Electronic Participation

The meetings will be held electronically. To watch the meeting while in progress, please click on the link that will be available on the agenda.

Agendas and Minutes will be posted as available to the City website under the Council Calendar at <https://calendar.stratford.ca/meetings>.

As dates, times and locations are subject to change, please contact the Office of the Director of Corporate Services if you wish to confirm a meeting date and time. Updates to the budget meeting schedule and further information will also be posted as it becomes available to the City's 2021 budget page on the website at <https://www.stratford.ca/en/inside-city-hall/2021-budget.aspx>, as well as on Facebook and Twitter.

If you have any questions regarding the 2021 budget process, please contact us by phone at 271-0250 ext. 5202, or by email at stfdbudget@stratford.ca.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Oct 13	Committee of the Whole In-camera	1:00pm	Electronic Participation
Oct 13	Regular Council and Standing committees	3:00pm	Electronic Participation
Oct 15	Community Services Sub-committee	3:30pm	CANCELLED

Given the COVID-19 Pandemic and the declared emergency, the City will be posting a video of the meeting to our website once available. Agendas and a link to watch the meeting while in progress can be accessed from the City's website.

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