



# Stratford Town Crier

May 16, 2026

Public Information, Notices and Meeting Schedule

## **VICTORIA DAY HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

City of Stratford Administration Offices and the Landfill will be closed on Monday, May 18, 2026.

There will be no change in the Recycling, Green Bin, Leaf & Yard Waste and Garbage collection programs on Monday, May 18, 2026. Please ensure materials are to the curb prior to 8:00 a.m. on collection dates. For further information, please call 519-271-0250 extension 5279.

## **FIREWORK SAFETY – VICTORIA DAY**

City of Stratford Fireworks By-law 73-2006 provides that fireworks can only be set off on Victoria Day, Canada Day and on the first day of the Diwali Festival between 8:00 pm and 12:00 midnight. In the event of weather conditions such as rain, fog, smog or wind fireworks may be set off the day before or the day after Victoria Day, Canada Day or the first day of the Diwali Festival.

Fireworks may not be set off:

- on any city street or highway;
- in any park or other public place;
- in any building or vehicle; and
- in areas containing dead undergrowth or trees.

Firecrackers which are different than fireworks, cannot be set off anywhere in Stratford.

When setting off Fireworks:

- Use fireworks outdoors only;
- Choose a clear, open area;
- Check wind direction and speed;
- Always have an adult present;
- Have water handy;
- Read and follow label directions;
- Keep spectators away from launch area.

Flying lanterns (the small paper hot air balloons propelled by an open flame) are not permitted for sale or use in Stratford.

Questions or to Report a Violation:

If you have any questions or wish to report a violation of the By-law, please call the Fire Department at 519-271-3212. Please enjoy the holiday safely.

## **TREASURE HUNT WEEKEND**

May 22 to 24 is Treasure Hunt Weekend, an opportunity for residents to recycle any unwanted household items by placing them at the curb, for anyone in the community

to collect. This event keeps materials with some useful life out of Stratford's landfill site.

Materials can be put out starting at 4 p.m. on the Friday, and any unclaimed items must be removed from the curb by 3 p.m. on Sunday.

Please remember not to leave any items you want to keep, including children's toys or bicycles, near the curb during the Treasure Hunt weekend.

The next Treasure Hunt Weekend is June 19 – 21.

### **LEAF & YARD WASTE COLLECTION**

Leaf and Yard Waste will be collected citywide, on your regular garbage collection day, the week of May 25-29. Leaf and yard waste will only be collected in the following forms:

- 110 L Kraft Paper bags
- Certified Compostable bags
- Re-useable Container with label attached

Clear Plastic Bags are NOT accepted and will be left at the curbside. Leaf and Yard waste is also accepted at the landfill depot during regular landfill hours.

The next Leaf and Yard Waste collection week is June 22-26.

### **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 Services department by calling 519-271-0250 ext. 5261, or by emailing [dclayton@stratford.ca](mailto:dclayton@stratford.ca), by Monday, June 1, 2026. Comments received will be included in the agenda for the meeting.

Citizens are also invited to comment on the operation of the landfill site at the upcoming Infrastructure, Transportation and Safety Sub-committee meeting scheduled for Wednesday, June 24, 2026, at 4:30 p.m., by requesting to appear as a delegation.

Delegation requests can be made by completing the Delegation Request Form, available on the City's website. Alternatively, requests can be made by contacting the City Clerk at [clerks@stratford.ca](mailto:clerks@stratford.ca). Requests to appear as a delegation must be submitted by 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 16, 2026. Details for participating in the meeting will be provided once the request is confirmed.

To watch the meeting live please click the link on the agenda. This meeting will be held in person in the Council Chamber at Stratford City Hall.

Answers to some frequently asked questions about the Stratford Landfill Site can be found on the City's website.

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### **RAKING OF WINTER SAND - REMINDER**

Reminder to residents from the Infrastructure Services Department that during the months of April and May, winter sand that has accumulated can be raked to the edge of the road or the street gutter. Please help street sweeping operations by spreading the sand out in the gutter area. Please do not place the sand in large piles in the gutter or along the road, as the piles can restrict water flow and be a traffic hazard.

**NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS: DESTROY NOXIOUS WEEDS – REMINDER**

Notice is hereby given to all property owners in accordance with Ontario’s Weed Control Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. W.5, that unless noxious weeds growing on their lands within the City of Stratford are destroyed by June 1, 2025 and throughout the season, the Municipality may enter upon said lands and cause the noxious weed or weed seeds to be destroyed, charging the costs against the land in taxes as set out in the Act.

In the interest of public health, the noxious weeds requiring eradication include Giant Hogweed, Ragweed, Poison Ivy, European Buckthorn, Thistles, Jointed Goatgrass, and others as designated under the above Act.

Enquiries and complaints should be directed to Building and Planning Services at 519-271-0250 ext. 5345.

City Inspector  
City of Stratford

**MEETING SCHEDULE**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>
May 19	Finance and Labour Relations Sub-committee	4:30 P.M.	Council Chambers
May 19	Special Council Meeting	6:00 P.M.	Council Chambers

Meetings are open to the public to attend with the exception of In-camera sessions (please note the adjournment into the In-camera Session is open to the public to attend and observe). Agendas can be accessed from the City’s website. Please check the City’s website for the Sub-committee, Committee, Council and Advisory Committee Meeting Schedules as these schedules are subject to change.

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