

Municipal Minute November 2023

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Announcements

The Mayor and members of the 2558 Placentia Royal Canadian Army Cadets signed a Remembrance Proclamation on November 1st for Remembrance Day and raised the Flag of Remembrance in the Town Square. On November 11, the Mayor laid a wreath at the Ceremony of Remembrance and Wreath Laying at the Royal Canadian Legion Cenotaph in Placentia and at the Ferndale Veteran's Memorial Park on behalf of the Town.



November 15th was National Day of Remembrance for Road Crash Victims to honor and remember those who lost their lives or have been seriously injured on Canadian roads, often in preventable crashes.

In Canada, there are approximately 160,000 vehicle crashes each year, resulting in more than 2,800 deaths, there are also many significant, debilitating injuries. To reduce the risk of a motor vehicle collision, follow the posted speed limits, adjust driving to road conditions, do not consume drugs or alcohol when driving, do not drive impaired, wear seatbelts, and eliminate all distractions.



November is National Diabetes Awareness Month. Diabetes affects approximately 3.7 million people, with more than 200,000 new cases diagnosed every year, making it one of the most common chronic diseases in Canada impacting the lives of millions of individuals and their families. During Diabetes Awareness Month people are encouraged to learn more about this chronic disease so we can take action to prevent it and better support people living with diabetes.



Congratulations

Congratulations to Cadet Chief Warrant Officer Joseph Bishop who was presented with the Order of St. George. The Order of St. Georges Medal recognizes the Top Staff Cadet at each of the Cadet Summer Training Centre's across Canada.

Congratulations to former Laval High School Students Davidson Bixby, Lilly-Belle O'Reilly and Chloe Griffiths who received Electoral District Scholarships.

Congratulations to the U15 Placentia Lions who captured silver at a tournament this past weekend in Bay Roberts.

Placentia Area Foodbank

Registration is open for Christmas Hampers from the Placentia Area Food Bank. Individuals or families who need a food hamper can call 709-213-5333 and leave a message with your name and telephone number or email placentiaareafoodbank@gmail.com. The deadline to register for a Christmas food hamper is December 12th at 5:00pm.



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On Street Parking

Council would like to remind all residents that on-street parking is not permitted between the hours of midnight and 10:00am for the period of December 1st 2023 to March 31st 2024 to effectively carry out snow clearing activities. Also, for safety reasons, the dumping of snow from driveways onto public roadways will not be tolerated. The Town has been authorized by the Provincial Government to issue summary offence tickets for such infractions. Damages to personal property (fences, garbage boxes etc.) due to the accumulation of snow is not the responsibility of the Town or the snow clearing contractor. Residents are asked to keep their garbage boxes free of snow to allow for safe waste collection.



Recreation Director



Ms. Sherry Keefe proudly represents the Town of Placentia in the role of Recreation Director. Sherry's educational background

includes Recreation and Community Studies as well as Office Administration. She has recently completed the Supervisory Management Program certificate through Memorial University at the Gardiner Centre. Sherry has 20 years experience in supervisory and management roles. Welcome Sherry!



Chief Administrative Officer



Mr. Gerry Hynes is a longtime resident of the Town of Placentia with an Education in Architectural Drafting and 30 years experience in project management positions. Gerry is LEED BD+C and CET Certified. Gerry has previous work experience with various councils making him familiar with both the operations' requirements and procedural policies that are required to manage a municipality. Through his employment he has become familiar with various Municipal Acts. Gerry is involved with the Placentia Lions Club, Special Olympics and Hike Placentia. Welcome Gerry!

Light up the Square

Thank you Max, for lighting up Town Square at our Annual Light up the Square Event on November 27th, 2023! Max was the lucky winner to "flip the switch" and kick off our holiday season! It was a cool but beautiful event.



Recycling Date Change

Recycling will now change to Tuesdays beginning December 5th 2023. The remaining recycling dates for 2023 are December 5th and 19th.



Upcoming Events

December 2nd 2023 Santa Claus Parade 1:00pm
December 2nd 2023 Boat Lighting Event 7:00pm