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Monthly Newsletter

Town of Sackville

Important November Dates

Special Council Meeting
November 2, 2020
6:30pm
Participate or watch at Sackville.com

Regular Council Meeting
November 9, 2020
7:00pm
Participate or watch at Sackville.com

ECO 360 Mobile Eco-Depot
November 18-19, 2020
Tantramar Veteran's Memorial Civic Centre

Dates and meetings are changing daily. Please visit www.sackville.com or the full Community Events Calendar for the latest updates.



Sackville Names New Senior Manager of Corporate Projects

The Town of Sackville has hired Kieran Miller as their new Senior Manager of Corporate Projects. Miller will commence her new role on November 16, 2020.

Miller has over seven years of municipal government experience with the City of Fredericton, having served as a community planner in the Planning and Development Services Department. She has worked with a variety of stakeholders on development applications and municipal planning policies, has diverse experience with community engagement and working with multi-disciplinary teams. Kieran also has spent time in the private sector working as an Environmental Planner in St. John's, NL.

"I'm very pleased to have such a competent candidate joining our team" said CAO Jamie Burke. "Kieran is a natural collaborator and her experience with project management and public engagement will be a significant asset to our organization."

Miller was hired by a unanimous vote of Council at the October 19, 2020 Special Council Meeting following a competitive and extensive search.

Kieran Miller was born and raised in St. John's, Newfoundland. She has a Bachelor of Arts degree from Mount Allison University and a Masters of Planning degree from Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario. She also has a variety of other certificates and training, including a certificate from the International Association for Public Participation. Kieran is a member of the Canadian Institute of Planners and the Atlantic Planners Institute.

When not enjoying her time in municipal government, Kieran can be found camping, hiking or on the rugby pitch. Kieran is the Secretary of the Loyalist Rugby Club in Fredericton and has been a former Assistant Coach with the University of New Brunswick Women's Rugby Team. We look forward to welcoming Kieran, and her dogs Darby and River, to Sackville.

It's Flu Season

With the 2020 flu season fast approaching it is more important than ever to protect yourself and others by getting your flu shot. Please contact your doctor or pharmacy to schedule a time for you to get your flu shot.

Monthly Meetings with Local Businesses

In these uncertain times the Town of Sackville has been reaching out to local businesses to try to find ways we can assist, to see where people's concerns are, and to see how we can work together to move forward constructively. With this in mind, we are having monthly meetings with local business owners (virtual for now at least) on the last Tuesday of the month (this month November 24). At these meetings we will update on initiatives we are working on, hear your ideas and concerns, and give you a chance to speak with each other.

We will be sending out an invitation to everyone who has contacted us about the meetings, but please also feel free to pass this along to any local business owner or manager you think might be interested. They can contact us at r.kellyspurles@sackville.com and we'll make sure they are added to the invitation list.

Thank you, and we look forward to speaking with you.

The Visitor Information Centre

Although travel counselling services have now ended for the season, the Craft Gallery remains open six days per week, Tuesday to Saturday, from 10 am to 5 pm.

For more information about the Craft Gallery please call 536-4163.



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Introducing the Holiday Business Passport

Following a successful summer and fall Business Passport Program, the Town is excited to be partnering with Mainstreet Redevelopment and many local businesses to offer a holiday themed shopping passport.

After November 20, 2020, passports will be available to be picked up at participating businesses or Sackville Town Hall. You will also have the option to print your own passport by downloading a copy from the Town's website. Take the passport to ten local businesses (those in the passport, or you can write in other local businesses), and get it stamped. You can then turn in your passport at Town Hall for a cool free t-shirt and a chance to win a $1000 local shopping spree.

The deadline to submit is December 21, 2020. For more information on the passport program please contact visitor@sackville.com

Dog Tag Notices

2020 Dog Tags are now available at Town Hall, 31C Main Street, 2nd Floor.



Please be advised that due to Covid-19, dog tag sales were suspended from March 15, 2020 - May 24, 2020. Town Hall reopened to the public on May 25, 2020 and residents are now encouraged to get their dog tags.

Registration fees:
· $20.00 for a spayed or neutered dog
· $20.00 for any dog who is not spayed or neutered up to 12 months (proof of age required)
· $40.00 for any dog who is not spayed or neutered over 12 months (proof of age required)

Please note that tags issued after July 31, 2020 will be subject to an additional $20 fee.

Proof of rabies vaccination must be shown at the time the dog tag is purchased.

Recreation Programming

Fall programming is back in full swing, and although we are hoping to add additional opportunities as facilities begin to open, here are some programming opportunities we are offering.

Outdoor Pickleball is taking place several days throughout the week, with Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 9:00 am being two of the more popular times. We're even offering lessons this year for those who would like to learn more about the game!

Prime Time and 50+ Aerobics registration has come and gone, but we're pleased to offer this free program to over 100 seniors from Sackville and the surrounding areas. We are also offering the Trailblazers program to children in grade 3-8 on Saturday afternoons.

Here is a list of some of our other program opportunities:

Nutrition Program
Mondays from November 2 - 23, 2020 at 6:00 pm
Tantramar Veteran's Memorial Civic Centre
$10
1) Forget the Fad Diet & What to Focus on Instead
2) Making Sense of Nutrition Labels
3) Reducing Sugar & Cravings
4) Meal Planning & Prep

Women's Shinny Hockey
Friday, October 9, 2020 - Friday, March 26, 2021
6:30-7:30 PM
$120 for the full season (~$5 per ice time)
$8.00 drop-in fee per ice time
Full gear required
Tantramar Veterans' Memorial Civic Centre

Sackville RECREATION
Play like you remember!

For full details or to register for any of the above programs, please visit **www.sackville.com/programs**.

For other community recreational opportunities, please visit **www.sackville.com/calendar**.

COVID-19 Public Service Announcement

The Town is pleased with the recent move of our Zone back to the yellow level on October 23, and we will continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation very closely and to follow the instructions given by the Public Health Agency of Canada and the Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health for New Brunswick.

A detailed public service announcement can be found **here**.

Tantramar Veterans' Memorial Civic Centre

The ice is in and the Civic Centre is up and running. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, this season will look a little different, but we're still pleased to be able to offer a wide range of public programming opportunities:

Adult Pick-up Hockey
7:00 – 8:00 am, Mondays and Fridays
$8.00 drop-in

45+ Hockey
9:00 – 10:00 am, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays
$8.00 drop-in

Lunchtime Skates
Weekdays from noon – 1:30 pm. $8 per family of 4, $3 per adult, or $2 per senior/child under 12.

Sunday Public Skates
2:30 – 3:30 pm
Cost is $8 per family of 4, $3 per adult, or $2 per senior/child under 12.

Due to COVID-19, restrictions on the number of skaters on the ice at any given time will be enforced. Please be sure to follow COVID-19 rules posted at the rink and always check the **Tantramar Veteran's Memorial Civic Centre Calendar** for the most up-to-date schedule as times are subject to change.

Women's Shinny Hockey
Register at **www.sackville.com/programs** or Town Hall.
Friday Evenings until March 26, 2021: 6:30-7:30 PM
$8.00 drop-in fee per ice time
Full gear required
Ages 17+
All skill levels welcome
Tantramar Veterans' Memorial Civic Centre



Cheers to Volunteers: Serving our youth through Scouts Canada

Submitted by Susan Amos

This month, in our series, “Cheers for Volunteers”, we cheer Allan Pooley for his volunteer work with the Sackville chapter of Scouts Canada. Scouts Canada is a Canadian Scouting association which provides programmes for young people aged 5 to 26 to help develop well rounded youth better prepared for success in the world. It offers five different age-related programmes: Beaver Scouts, ages 5 to 7; Cub Scouts, ages 8 to 10; Scouts, ages 11 to 14; Venturer Scouts, ages 14 to 17; and Rover Scouts, ages 18 to 26.

Allan, well-known former owner of Pooley’s Electrical Services, has been involved with Scouts in Sackville for 56 years. He joined the organization when he was eight and started into his role as a leader ten years later. Currently, Allan is Assistant Scout Master with the Scouts component of the organization which provides programming for 11 to 13 year-olds. The outdoors is a key element of Scouts. One of the countless things Allan does is to store and maintain all the necessary equipment for camping and other outdoor activities. Allan has transformed a portion of his own property into a meeting facility for the Scouts and built a shelter on it for meetings and other outdoor experiences.

Being a member of the local business community for many years, Allan knows just about everyone and uses his contacts to benefit the Scouts. He is a master in partnerships. Rather than requesting monetary donations, he asks merchants for goods and services. Many local businesses have been willing to help. From a trailer converted into a chuck wagon for camping trips, to pails with camping supplies to a transformer converted into a cooking stove, when Allan sees a need, he finds someone with the necessary resources and engages their assistance to make it happen.

What drew Allan to Scouts and has kept him there for most of his life? ‘I wasn’t a sports kid,’ Allan explains, ‘but I loved the outdoors. I liked being with other kids who enjoyed the same things I did.’ He got so much out of his experience as a Scout that it was a natural next step for him to take on leadership responsibilities as he grew older.

Allan enjoys teaching young people the life skills and common sense which are part of the Scouting experience. Sometimes, former Scouts get in touch with him to express their appreciation. He gets a lot of satisfaction knowing he has made a difference in someone’s life. Allan credits his late wife, Kathy, and their children for the tremendous support he received from them for his volunteer work. He also cites the great local leaders in Scouts who inspired him to follow in their footsteps.

What makes Scouts Canada special? ‘Everyone can attend,’ says Allan. Scouts come from all kinds of cultural backgrounds and from all walks of life. ‘No one is turned away for lack of funds,’ Allan adds.

If you have a son or daughter who is interested in joining Scouts or if you would like to volunteer in the organization, contact Janet Ward, chair of the local group committee (506-379-2483; sj_ward@rogers.com).

Allan, we are very fortunate to have you in our community, not only for the work you do with our youth but also for being an all-round good friend, neighbour and citizen, always ready to lend a hand whenever and wherever it is needed. Your life exemplifies your belief that ‘We need to leave this place better than we found it’. Thank you for everything you have done and continue to do to make our community better. You are an inspiration to us all.

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Happy Halloween

Staff and Council would like to wish all residents of the town and surrounding areas a safe and happy Halloween. Please take a moment to visit www.gnb.ca/covid-19 for guidelines on how to participate safely in New Brunswick.



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Town Hall Updates

The October Regular Council Meeting was another busy one. Here are a list of motions that were presented:

Council approved the Deputy Mayor to be paid the salary of the Mayor at current rate as per article 2 of By-Law 261, effective October 1, 2020 and to continue during the vacancy of the Mayor's position.

Council repealed the Sackville Heritage Grant Policy, the Town of Sackville Code of Conduct for Elected Municipal Officials Policy and the Inventory Policy.

Council gave 2nd reading to By-Law No. 277, a By-Law relating to the establishment of a special business improvement area levy in the Town of Sackville.Council approved the purchase of two (2) complete sets of Starfield Lion bunker gear from Micmac Fire & Safety Ltd., in the amount of $6,490.60 including HST.

Council approved changing the Tantramar Memorial Civic Center fee schedule #6 to include Saturday and Sunday morning 6:30 a.m. – 7:30 a.m. as non-prime ice time at the rate of $93.00 effective October 1, 2020.

Council awarded Geneau Signs to install the LED digital sign board for the Tantramar Veteran's Memorial Civic Centre in the amount of $34,055.49 HST included.

Council set the November 9, 2020 virtual Special Council Meeting at 7:00 pm for the Public Presentation of council's intent to make changes to the Town of Sackville Municipal Plan and Bylaw No. 243 and set the virtual Regular Council Meeting of December 14th, 2020, at 7:00 pm for the Public Hearing of consideration of objections to the proposed by-law.



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Follow us on Social Media

The best way to stay up to date on municipal events, updates and news is to follow our various social media platforms. Staff work hard to update them all regularly and are quick to respond to questions.



The Town has various accounts:
Facebook (www.facebook.com/SackvilleNB)
Instagram (@SackvilleNB)
Twitter (@SackvilleTownNB)

You can even subscribe to our Youtube Channel for video of our Regular Council Meetings!

Community Calendar

Do you regularly host public events or know others that do? Are you looking for a great way to get the word out? Our calendar on the Town of Sackville website is by far the most popular feature on the site.

You can easily submit your events to the Town Calendar by visiting **www.sackville.com/calendar**. Your submission will be reviewed by staff and published in short order for anyone visiting the website to see!

Emergency Public Alert System

The Emergency Public Alert System has been established in Sackville to make residents aware when major emergency events take place. To receive a text, voicemail and/or an email when a major emergency is taking place in the Town, we encourage all residents to register for the system by visiting https://sackville.com/residents/resident-services/ and clicking on the link on the right-hand side of the page. **Click here for a direct link**. If you do not have a computer to register, please call 364-4960 to get yourself registered.

Sign Up With the Community Directory

The Town of Sackville's website has many great features, but one that we are particularly proud of is the Community Directory. Here, local organizations and businesses can submit a directory listing with their contact information, website, and so forth. This easy to use directory makes it much easier for potential customers and users to find your information.

To submit a business or organization, or if you're trying to find one, simply visit **www.sackville.com/directory**/ and follow the instructions.