MI'KMAQ HISTORY MONTH



Each October community activities, events, sharing and showcasing Mi'kmaw people, history and heritage takes place across Nova Scotia to more broadly heighten knowledge and awareness of Mi'kmaw communities across the region. October was chosen as Mi'kmaw History Month because it coincides with the anniversary of English settlers signing the inaugural peace and friendship treaty with the Mi'kmaw people. Treaty Day is designated October 1st as the date on which the Mi'kmaw people received a promise of peace along with compensation for appropriated lands, resources and the impact of conflict on people

and communities across Mi'kma'ki. In an effort to assist all Nova Scotians in increasing their knowledge and awareness of Mi'kmaw culture, history and heritage, a Mi'kmaq History Month Committee was established to promote and encourage educational and cultural activities during the month of October. For more information, go to: http://mikmaghistorvmonth.ca

TCT CAPITAL PLAN FUNDS – OCT. 5

The Trans Canada Trail (TCT) has announced the launch of The Great Trail Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for 2019-2020. The CIP program is run by Trans Canada Trail that provides financial contributions to projects on The Great Trail. Online project applications at: <u>https://form.jotform.</u> com/82106096484257 - Project proposals will be accepted until Friday, October 5th. TCT guidelines are at: https:// gallery.mailchimp.com/fd154b7f6a/files/3b34a320-4550-446a-a4f3-47abcdb32e81/TCT_Support_and_Development_Guidelines_2018.05.01revised.pdf to validate the eligibility of your project. For any information or questions, contact the local NS Trails / TCT representative: Glenn McMullen at glenn@novascotiatrails.com

NS FOREST FESTIVAL - OCT. 13

Memory Lane Heritage Village in Lake Charlotte will be hosting its second annual Forest Festival on Saturday, October 13th, from 10AM-4PM. Free Admission. This will be a showcase of the many ways Nova Scotians connect to the Province's forests for their livelihood, housing, recreation, food, and heritage. Enjoy demonstrations and hands-on activities for all ages. Also try your hand at axe-throwing in the morning and then cheer on the competing local businesses during the tournament in the afternoon. For more information; go to: www.heritagevillage.ca

CURBSIDE GIVEAWAY: OCT.13 & 14

Curbside / Roadside Give Away is a bi-annual event that promotes diversion of reusable items from landfill by offering items for others to claim for free. It's time to give someone the chance to reuse things you no longer need, by recycling your clean and working goods. The dates are Saturday & Sunday, October 13th & 14th. Please check out this web-page for more information: www.halifax.ca/recycle/CGAW.php or at: Facebook.com/HalifaxRecycles and Twitter @hfxgov and #hfxcurbside

Councillor David Hendsbee Councillor-Le Counceiller-Comhairlaiche-Wunagapeme'j District 2: Preston-Chezzetcook-Eastern Shore

Railway Museum – #7895 Highway #7 P.O. Box 2, Musquodoboit Harbour, NS, BOJ 2LO

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ST. ANNE'S MISSION - 50 YEARS

St. Anne's Mission in Lake Echo will be celebrating a half century of service to the community. A celebratory Mass with Archbishop Mancini will occur on Sunday, October 14th at 4PM with a reception to follow at the Porters Lake Community Centre at 5:30PM.

LAKE ECHO BEACH PARK PLAN INPUT

HRM will be having a Public Engagement session at the Lake Echo Community Centre on Monday evening, October 15th from 6:30-8:30 PM to garner people's ideas and opinions on how best to utilize the old Irving gas station beach property as parkland in association with the adjacent community centre and Orenda Canoe Club. If you have some suggestions, then please contact me or HRM Landscape Architect - Stephen Cushing at: cushins@halifax.ca

HRM HSW MOBILE DEPOT - OCT.20

HRM will be having a Household Special Waste (HSW) Mobile Drop Off Depot at the United Church / Masonic Hall Parking Lot off Sprott Lane in Sheet Harbour on Saturday, October 20th. The hours of operation will be from 9AM-4PM. This is a rain or shine event! Electronics products and medical needles and sharps are not accepted at the HSW depot. Business waste is not permitted and will not be accepted either. For more information on HRM solid waste program including updates on any future mobile HSW depots; please call 311 or visit: www.halifax.ca/home-property/garbage-recycling-green-cart/household-special-waste

POSSIBLE TRANSIT ON HWY #207

MusGo Rider has received funding to do a feasibility study about providing a Transit Service along Hwy # 207 from the Porters Lake Transit Terminal to the Portland Hills Terminal with a stop at Cole Harbour Place. This 45 kms one-way transit corridor would serve the Porters Lake commercial core, West Chezzetcook, Grand Desert, Seaforth, Three Fathom Harbour, East Lawrencetown, Lawrencetown and Cole Harbour. As a part of this study there will be some community consultations with a survey and two public meetings for input. The dates of those meetings are: Thursday, October 18th from 6:30-8:30 PM at the St. Anselm's Hall, #7037 Rte 207, West Chezzetcook and on Sunday, October 21st from 2-4 PM at the Lawrencetown Community Centre, #3657 Rte 207, in Lawrencetown. There is a web-link to a Route #207 survey. If you can not attend any of these meetings, then please complete the survey at:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/route207 or contact Four Points Consultants at: Jamie.stewart.stfx@gmail.com

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLACEMAKING

HRM Neighbourhood Placemaking provides guidance and support to community members interested in hosting a project in their neighbourhood. This could be painting an intersection, building benches for a local gathering place, planting a community garden, or any idea that brings together community members to create public art that activates shared public spaces to create a sense of place and build a sense of community. Connect with your neighbours by getting creative together. Apply to host a Neighbourhood Placemaking project in your community. The application deadline is Tuesday, October 30th. More details can be found at www.halifax.ca/placemaking_ or contact Lillian Ash - HRM Community Developer 902-490-4408

Office Phone: 902.889.2448 Cell Phone: 902.483.0705 City Hall: 902.490.4050 Fax: 902.829.3620

OPEN-AIR BURNING SEASON AGAIN

As of October 15th, (weather permitting) and whether the NS Forest Weather Index (FWI) www.novascotia.ca/Burn-Safe is at a low or moderate reading, the time of day burning restrictions will be lifted. For more information about openair burning and safe burning practices: www.halifax.ca/ fire-police/fire/burning-permits/burning-rules-regulations Please be careful whenever burning!

PROPERTY TAXES DUE - OCT. 31

HRM invoices property tax bills to all property owners twice each year. The tax year covers the fiscal period of April 1st - March 31st. The first tax bill was sent out (either by mail or e-post) in March and was due on the last working day of April. The second and final bill will be sent out (either by mail or e-post) in September and is due on the last working day of October (Wednesday, October 31st). The first (or interim) invoice is based on 50 per cent of the current year's estimated taxes but based on last year's rates. The final invoice is calculated using the current assessment with the current year's tax rates, less the amount you already paid from the first invoice. The total amounts billed must be paid by the due date to avoid interest charges. Interest is applied daily to all outstanding taxes at a rate of 15 per cent per annum. For more information; please call 311 or visit HRM web-site: www.halifax.ca/home-property/municipal-payments/making-a-payment

DO WE NEED MORE IN-LAW SUITES?

Back in March 2018, HRM Council initiated a planning project to consider amendments to the Halifax Regional Municipal Planning Strategy and all applicable secondary municipal planning strategies and land-use by-laws to remove barriers to the development of 'in-law' secondary suites and 'granny flats' backyard suites. This project is part of HRM's commitment to the Housing and Homelessness Partnerships' (HHP) shared affordable housing goals. For more info, please see the staff report at the following link. www.halifax.ca/ sites/default/files/documents/city-hall/regional-council/180327rc91.pdf HRM Staff have launched a "Shape Your City" webpage about the secondary suite project to engage residents. The webpage includes a short questionnaire to gather public feedback on their concerns and preferences about secondary suites and is being promoted through social media and key interest groups. www.shapeyourcityhalifax. ca/admin/projects/allowing-secondary-suites-as-a-permitted-use The on-line questionnaire will be active until Nov. 1, 2018. In addition, staff are proactively connecting with community groups throughout the Municipality to seek direct public feedback. These public engagement activities will run from September to November. HRM Planners will be happy to come to your meeting or group to present and gather feedback on secondary and backyard suites. Please contact Alan Howell to set up an appointment. Call 902-490-4871 or E-mail: howella@halifax.ca



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