TOWN OF MOUNT CARMEL-MITCHELL'S BROOK-ST. CATHERINE'S SPRING NEWSLETTER 2023

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Deputy Mayor – Kevin McDonald
Councillors – Ian Goudie, Brenda Young, Doug Dean, F. David Power and Roy Lewis
Town Clerk – Stacey Dean; Assistant Town Clerk – Brenda Pike

PUBLIC OFFICE HOURS (by appointment only):

Monday and Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Please call (709) 521-2040 or email townclerk@townofmountcarmel.ca to book an appointment.

ANNUAL PROPERTY TAXES:

Council and staff thank you for your patience as we work towards finalizing property tax bills based on your 2023 assessment. Please note that property tax bills are issued by and paid to the town office and not the assessment agency.

TOWN EVENTS:

Please see the reverse of this newsletter for upcoming events in the Town. If you wish to volunteer with any of these events, please call the office or email townclerk@townofmountcarmel.ca. (Please note the date change for town anniversary events).

BULK GARBAGE COLLECTION:

Bulk garbage collection for Mount Carmel (Routes 90 and 93) is scheduled for July 10 and September 11. Collection on Route 91 (St. Catherine's to Colinet) is scheduled for July 10 and August 21. Items must be curbside no later than 7 am.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION:

Household Hazardous Waste Collection events will be held at the Fire Halls in Admiral's Beach and Colinet on Saturday, June 3, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Please visit the ERSB website at easternregionalserviceboard.com for information on acceptable items for drop-off.

NATURE TRAIL UPDATE:

Council, in consultation with the Trails Committee, has identified the area for a nature walking trail (foot traffic only). This decision was based on many factors such as feedback from the community regarding displacement of traditional use of woods trails and access to traditional domestic wood cutting areas, year-round access to hunting and fishing areas, and private property claims to certain areas. As a result, the Nature Conservancy property in St. Catherine's was identified as the area for the walking trail.

Hurley's Bridge will not be included in the access to the trail. Access to the trail will be from the old road at the end of McDonald Drive and will not interfere with the access in that area to Murphy's Waters. Harricott Point and Community Garden to the Cemetery have been removed from the potential trail list. The costs of building this nature walking trail will be covered by various funding opportunities such as grants, donations and other fundraising efforts.

We would like to express our appreciation to the NCC, who have graciously offered the use of their property and are partnering with the town to create a nature walking trail for our residents, visitors and nature enthusiasts to enjoy. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank the Trails Committee, composed of council representatives and community volunteers, who have done a tremendous job since their inception in March 2022 to get us to this point. Exciting times are ahead for us!

Volunteer Opportunity - Due to a couple of vacancies, the Trails Committee is seeking new members. Please call the Town Office if you are interested in volunteering with this group.