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A MESSAGE FROM ELAINE NASH

Happy Fall everyone! Hope you all had a safe and enjoyable summer – this one being exceptionally dry and worrisome with the threat of wildfires. If there is any activity or event you would like to suggest or if you would like to volunteer, please reach out to the office by phone or email.

As we said at the introduction of Property Taxes in 2023, we will review our rates after 3 years to see how it is working. Therefore, we will discuss this at our public budget consultation in late October.

To stay up to date, follow us on Facebook or our Events Calendar on our website. We look forward to seeing you at our events throughout the year. https://townofmountcarmel.ca/

Elaine Nash, on behalf of Council and staff

NEWS AND UPDATES

THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Council and Staff would like to recognize and applaud our volunteers who give so much of their time to help ensure the success of Townsponsored events.

Your time and dedication allows us to offer more activities, etc. We would love to have a few Town "non-seniors" help at some of our events. If you have any time to lend us a hand, please reach out to the Office.

GROWING YOUR TOWN

It has been a **fantastic** year so far with funding awarded for the following projects:

- ActiveNL Social Wellness Program, \$1,000, towards Health Eating Workshops
- ActiveNL Salmonier River Valley Trails Project, \$10,000 toward construction design drawings phase for our accessible trail.

- Age-Friendly Communities Newfoundland and Labrador, \$10,000 towards development of an age-friendly plan for the Town. This plan is required to qualify for future programs
- Eastern Wellness Coalition Discretionary Fund, \$200 towards a Playgroup for children ages 0 to 5 years old.
- FireSmart Wildfire Preparedness Event, \$500, towards an event at St. Catherine's Academy in partnership with Conservation Officers with the Department of Forestry
- Newfoundland Power EnviroFest Project, \$5,631 towards refurbishment of the Community Garden.
- GNL Firefighting Equipment Program, \$2,921 towards bunker gear for firefighter Mark Linehan.
- GNL Community Garden Support Program, \$750 towards Garden upkeep.
- Government of Canada and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Green Municipal Fund, \$66,581 to develop a climate mitigation plan for the community. This investment is part of a broader commitment to help communities across Canada prepare for and adapt to the impacts of climate change.

Other Applications Submitted and Pending:

- Horizon Fund for Seniors towards our Social Wellness Program and new chairs for the Town Hall.
- Firefighting Equipment Program towards bunker gear for firefighter Gerard Meaney.
- Fire and Emergency Services Regional Training Grant towards the training that took place in April 2025.
- Rural Transit Solutions Fund for a feasibility study for an inter-community public transportation service in the St. Mary's Bay Region.



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SOCIALS AT THE HALL

We are pleased to continue age-friendly socials at the Hall every two weeks from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. These have been very successful to date with attendance ranging from 20 to 35 people. Snacks and live music provided. Everyone is welcome!

PUBLIC CONSULTATION/Q&A Session

Wednesday, October 22nd at 7:00 p.m. This is our semi-annual Town meeting for an update from Council and to discuss topics of mutual interest. To ensure your topic is addressed, please submit your question to the Town Clerk no later than Tuesday, October 14th.

6 WEEK EXERCISE CLASS

Will be scheduled in the future... stay tuned!

SHORELINE DEVELOPMENT/ALTERING

Please be aware that any grubbing, digging, filling in or excavating of property on the water side of Main Road North requires permission from Transportation and Infrastructure (because of their 33' easement from the centre line), Provincial Water Resources and Fisheries and Oceans Canada. Please contact the Office for more information.

SPEEDING IN THE COMMUNITY

Please respect posted speed limits in the Town – 50 kms in most places – and always be mindful of children, animals and pedestrians on the road.

SCOOP THE POOP!

Show you love your Town as much as your pet. please scoop the poop and dispose in a garbage bin. Thank you!

COMMUNITY GARDEN

The Community Garden was refurbished this year thanks to Newfoundland Power's EnviroFest Program. Thank you too, to our garden angels who oversaw the garden including watering the new fruit trees and ensured that beds with "Please Water Me" sticks were looked after.

TRAILS AND PLACES TO WALK

Walking at the Hall: The Town Hall is available for walkers Mondays and Wednesdays, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. A great option for rainy or snowy days. New Space: The large area next to the Community Garden is in the planning stage for walking and get-togethers.

Salmonier River Valley Trails: The Town finalized its partnership agreement with the Nature Conservancy of Canada. Next we will issue a Request for Proposal for design drawings. This will enable us to obtain a reliable estimate of costs and look for funding from appropriate organizations.

DERM NOLAN MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Our Library has a marvelous collection of books. Please drop by any Wednesday from 1-3 p.m.

RICHARD T. FOWLER SPIRITUAL CENTRE

The Spiritual Centre is available for Wakes and Memorials. Please contact the Town Office for more information.

TOWN HALL USAGE

We have beautiful new floors thanks to Junior and Gloria Linehan. Please be mindful of salt, sand, and snow tracked into the Town Hall on our boots.

Please wipe your feet well!!

In addition, we kindly ask that Town Hall users leave the space tidy and in the required layout following usage. We thank everyone for their collective cooperation.

To book your event, please call our Office.

KEEP UP-TO-DATE ON TOWN ACTIVITIES!

Check out our online calendar through the link on our website: https://townofmountcarmel.ca/

Also, please follow us on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/Mt.CarmelSMB or just give us a call, Phone 709-521-2040 or Email townclerk@townofmountcarmel.ca



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EASTERN REGIONAL SERVICE BOARD (ERSB)

There have been issues with some garbage and/or recycling not being picked up. Residents are responsible for contacting ERSB with their name and civic address as soon as they notice an issue. The Town is very supportive of residents' concerns around garbage collection and access cards and advocate on your behalf on a regular basis.

HOURS - St. Joseph's Waste Facility

- Tuesdays and Thursdays: Noon to 4:00 p.m.
- Saturdays: 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The gate closes at 3:45 p.m. each day.

ACCESS CARDS - St. Joseph's Waste Facility

 As of January 2, 2026, you must have a Pass to access the dump. Application forms can be downloaded from:

https://easternregionalserviceboard.com/reso urce s/FORM-Access-card-application-Final-5.pdf. Please submit your form through the Town Office.

COUNCIL MEMBERS, 2025 - 2029

- Dave Butland
- Kevin McDonald
- Shane McEvoy
- Elaine Nash
- Donna Power

A BIG THANK YOU TO PAST COUNCIL MEMBERS!

OFFICE STAFF

Town Clerk: Nina Goudie

Accounting Clerk/Recreation: Brenda Kielley

Office Assistant: Robyn HickeyMaintenance: Katelynn Noble

FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMBERS

- Fire Chief Brandon Dean
- Deputy Fire Chief Eddie Pike
- Firefighters David Butland, Doug Dean, Chris Ezekiel, Rick Grace, Bruce Hickey, Gordon Hickey, Mark Linehan, Blair Marrie, Davd Nugent, Owen

McCarthy, Gerard Meaney, Dave Parrott.

IMPORTANT:

- FOR <u>ALL</u> Emergencies: Call 911
 Your Civic Address Number should be visible from the road in both directions.
- For ALL Non-Emergencies and Enquiries, please call the Town Office

PUBLIC OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesdays: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Please contact our office if you need alternate times. We are happy to accommodate.

YOUR ADDRESS

Canada Post requires your mailing address. Delivery companies need your civic address. We suggest this format for best results:

> John and Jane Doe PO Box Number XX XXX [Street Name] Mount Carmel-Mitchell's Brook-St. Catherine's, NL AOB 2M0

SUGGESTIONS?

What activities would you like to see in our community? Please send your suggestions to townclerk@townofmountcarmel.ca or put in our drop-box outside the office.

COMPLAINTS?

Please submit any concerns **in writing** for Council's review. Please submit in the drop-box or by email townclerk@townofmountcarmel.ca.

TIME SENSITIVE REMINDER

PROPERTY TAXES

Property tax payments were due in full by June 30th, 2025.

ALL outstanding taxes are now due and payable.

To avoid credit action, please contact

our office as soon as possible.

Thank you!



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Event	Date	Location
Playgroup for Children ages 0 to 5 years old	Every Tuesday starting October 7 th ,	Town Hall
	9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.	
Age-Friendly Socials	Every second Wednesday,	Town Hall
	11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	
Walking at the Hall, anytime between 9:00 a.m. to 11:00	Monday and Wednesdays	Town Hall
a.m.	starting Monday, October 6 th	
National Seniors Day, Turkey Dinner	Wednesday, October 1st,	Town Hall
	11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.	
Halloween Dance sponsored by the Salmonier Seniors 50+ Club	Saturday, October 25 th	Town Hall
Town Weiner Roast	Saturday, October 18 th	Space next to
	1:30 p.m.	Community Garden
	(Rainy day alternative: Sunday,	
	October 19 th)	
Bulk Garbage Day – ERSB	October 13	Homeowner
Must be placed at end of driveway by 7:00 a.m. Monday,		
October 13 th . Pickup will be that day or during the week.		
ELECTION DAY - Provincial	Tuesday, October 14	Town Hall
Semi-Annual Town Meeting – Public Consultation Session (to ensure your topic is addressed please submit your questions to the Town office by Tuesday, October 14 th)	Wednesday, October 22 nd . 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	Town Hall
VACCINE CLINICS, Book online at NL Health Services, https://www.timefortheshot.ca/	Thursday, October 23 rd and Thursday, November 27 th	Town Hall
Community Garden End-of-Season Social and Review of Expenditures	Saturday, October 25 th 10:30 a.m.	Town Hall
Bon Fire Night – Guy Fawkes Night	Wednesday November 5 th Time TBD	Mitchell's Brook
Volunteer Appreciation Dinner	Saturday, December 6 th , 6:00 p.m.	Town Hall
Christmas with Santa and Mrs. Claus and Christmas Tree Lighting – register your child, please contact the Town Office on or before Monday, December 8 th .	Sunday, December 14 th , 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.	Town Hall