



First Qtr 2026



Sandringham Quarterly Quorum

Mayor's Message

On behalf of Council, I am honored to extend heartfelt New Year wishes to you all. As both your Mayor and a proud resident, I feel incredibly grateful to call Sandringham home. And like many of you, I am certainly looking forward to seeing the snow disappear and welcoming the fresh start that a new season brings.

Sandringham is more than just a town—it is family. It is neighbors checking in on neighbors, volunteers stepping up without hesitation, and a deep-rooted pride that shines through in everything we do. That spirit was evident this past holiday season.

Our annual Kids' Christmas Party was filled with laughter and excitement and the Adult Christmas Tea was just as special, with a wonderful turnout and residents enjoying meaningful conversation and fellowship. These gatherings reflect the heart of our town. The strength of Sandringham is not found in buildings or budgets, but in its people. I extend my sincere appreciation to our dedicated volunteers, Deputy Mayor Brown, and Councillor Burry. Your time, effort, and commitment make a real difference. As a resident, I thank you. As Mayor, I am deeply grateful for your service.

Serving this community is a responsibility I do not take lightly. Council remains committed to responsible governance, transparency, and thoughtful planning to ensure long-term sustainability. We will continue focusing on infrastructure improvements, public safety, and working collaboratively with neighboring communities across the Peninsula to strengthen our region as a whole.

I also want residents to know that your voice matters. I encourage you to attend our Council meetings, stay informed, and take part in the decisions that shape our town. If you have questions, concerns, or ideas, don't hesitate to reach out to me directly. My door is always open. Open communication and mutual respect are essential to building the kind of community we all want to live in.

Together, we will continue moving forward with pride, unity, and hope for the future. Thank you for your continued support, your trust, and the pride you show in our community each and every day. It is both an honor to serve you and a privilege to stand beside you as a fellow resident of Sandringham.

Mayor Meletta Harvey



VOYENTALERT!

Voyent Alert! is a multi-purpose communication service and alerting app that is designed to support the Town of Sandringham. By signing up for alerts you get the most accurate, up-to-date, news that may impact your daily lives. Should an evacuation be issued, you will know the second the information is released. If you need assistance signing up, call your Town Clerk at 677-2317.



SeniorsNL is a non-profit that supports people aged 55+ across NL and Labrador. They offer trusted information and referral services supported by a dedicated resource management team, and committed peer support volunteers, and host a robust community outreach and engagement program. Their goal is to ensure every senior can access the programs, supports, and services they need when they need them most.

SeniorsNL is proud to regularly host Zoom sessions, during which expert guest speakers present on a range of topics relevant to seniors. FREE. Check out their UTube Videos at seniorsnl.ca/youtubevideos to get valuable information.

Protect Our First Responders at Emergency Scenes

First responders — firefighters, paramedics, and police officers — are often placed in dangerous situations due to moving traffic at emergency scenes such as fires, motor vehicle accidents, and other incidents.

It's understandable that emergencies draw attention. However, curiosity and distraction behind the wheel can put lives at serious risk.

Please:

- **Respect Traffic Control Persons and emergency personnel**
- **Obey all traffic control signage and directions**
- **Slow down immediately when approaching an emergency scene**
- **Stay focused on driving and proceed with caution**

If you see red lights flashing and hear sirens sounding, please give the space and opportunity to respond safely and help those in need.



Many first responders are volunteers, giving their time freely to serve and protect our communities.

They deserve to return home safely to their families.

Keep yourself — and our First Responders — safe.



MNL Encouraged by the Government's Support

Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador (MNL) was pleased to hear in the Throne Speech that the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador has listened to the needs of towns and cities across the Province.

MNL is encouraged by the Provincial Government's commitment to sustainable municipalities, and we look forward to continued collaboration as we work to transform promises into progress.

As shown in the commitments named in the Throne Speech, the Provincial Government has been listening to the needs of municipalities across NL and Labrador. These commitments include: a long-term municipal infrastructure plan; improved cell phone coverage; doubling the tax credit for volunteer firefighters; resolving long-standing concerns around Crown Lands; improving rural policing services; addressing climate-related impacts; and addressing rural healthcare concerns.

MNL looks forward to continued progress and collaboration as we work to collectively build vibrant, sustainable communities in Newfoundland and Labrador.

"MNL has been meeting with the Government for several months now, and we have had many conversations about the needs of municipalities. We were pleased to hear in the Throne Speech that the Government is listening and is actively working toward solutions that will benefit all municipalities."
— Amy Coady, MNL President

Top Three Questions answered about your 2026 property taxes

1. Why am I being charged for my vacant land?

Vacant land owners are subject to a minimum property tax rate if the land is not attached to their primary residence. This ensures that all property owners contribute fairly to municipal services and infrastructure within the community.

2. Why isn't my tax bill in my name?

If ownership has changed but the Registry of Deeds has not been updated with the Town office, the tax bill will continue to reflect the previous registered owner. Please provide updated ownership documentation to the Town office. This information will be forwarded to the Municipal Assessment Agency.

3. Why am I being charged for water when I am not hooked up?

As per **Section 131 of the Municipalities Act**: "Unless a town council, by by-law, provides otherwise, where a sewer or water main runs along a person's land, that person is deemed to receive those services, even if the sewer or water mains are not physically connected by lateral lines to any residence, building, or other structure on the land."

Chicken Hurry—Compliments of Mom

2-1/2—3 lbs cut-up chicken
1/2 cup ketchup
1/4 cup water
1/4 cup packed brown sugar
1(2 ounce) envelope dry onion soup mix



Directions:

Arrange chicken parts in a casserole dish.
In a small bowl combine the ketchup, water, sugar and soup mix. Mix together well.
Spoon over chicken, making sure the sauce is on every piece. Bake covered at 350F for one hour.



Speeding has been a long-standing concern in the Town of Sandringham and, in recent years, residents have told us the problem is becoming more noticeable and more frequent.

The safety of our children, seniors, pedestrians, cyclists, and all road users is a priority for Council.

Because your opinion matters, we have launched a survey to better understand solutions residents would like to see considered.

Collecting this data is an important step in identifying problem areas and advocating for appropriate enforcement, traffic calming measures, and safety improvements.

We encourage all residents to take a few minutes to complete the survey. Your feedback will help Council make informed decisions and work toward creating safer streets for everyone. Visit the Town website and share your input today.

<https://townofsandringham.ca/current-poll>

THINGS TO DO

MONDAYS

Bingo at SUF Hall— 8:00

WEDNESDAYS

Right , Left, Center at the Fire Hall —8:00 pm

ACW Social Day at Church of the Resurrection—9:30 am-3:30 pm. Coffee & muffin \$3.00.

THURSDAYS

Bingo at the Legion—8:00 pm

SUNDAYS

Chase the Ace at the Legion starting April 12

MARCH 14

Trivia Night at the Legion 7:00 pm

MARCH 21

Open House at the newly renovated Fire Hall 2:00 pm —6:00 pm

DID YOU KNOW?

Baby carrots were invented in 1986. No, baby carrots are not actually baby carrots. In case you didn't know, they're just chopped up normal carrots. Farmer Mike Yurosek invented them in 1986 as a way to use misshapen carrots that weren't sold in stores. He put them in bags, and sold them in supermarkets. By the early 1990s, they became the phenomenon they are now.

RECYCLING

The Town of Sandringham provides 2 locations for recycling cans and bottles. All proceeds go towards any future recreation programs. These bins are located at Town Hall and the Town Warehouse.

SPRING FACTS

- It's not spring everywhere.
- It doesn't start at the same time each year.
- Spring fever is a real thing.
- Spring really is growing season.
- At the North Pole, the spring equinox marks the beginning of six months of uninterrupted daylight.
- On the first day of spring, the sun rises due east and sets due west, and the Earth's tilt creates almost equal hours of day and night.



TOWN OFFICE

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday: 9:00—4:00
Wednesday: 10:00—6:00
Friday: Closed

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