

Municipal Highlights

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This publication is dedicated to providing residents with important information to highlight significant developments and other noteworthy items from the Placentia Council Chamber. The Municipal Highlights is published following each Council meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council extended congratulations to the Placentia Area Historical Society on the occasion their 85th anniversary.

Council also congratulated Freshwater Come Home Year Committee on a successful CHY event and thanked them for their tremendous volunteer effort.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The following is a list of upcoming events

- PBIS 2022 - October 25-26
- Trunk or Treat - October 31
- Light up the Square - November 28
- Santa Parade - December 3
- Mummers' Parade - December 27



EXPENDITURE HIGHLIGHTS

Highlights of Council expenditures included:

- \$9,418.50 including HST to purchase a workstation and tablets for offsite use in monitoring the SCADA system.
- \$4,427.50 including HST to repair a leak in the Jersey side pumphouse meter chamber.
- \$4,605 plus HST for an assessment of the Placentia Wave Wall.
- \$285,280 plus HST for the Harbour Drive Hurricane Larry Infrastructure Repairs.
- \$9,885.93 including HST for supply and install of culverts on Church Road in Dunville
- \$1,020 for First Aid training.
- \$25,286 for purchase of a Commercial Washer and Drying Cabinet for the Fire Hall.
- \$31,655 plus HST for purchase of an Apparatus Bay (Air Technology) Industrial Air Cleaner for the Fire Hall.
- 60-month lease for the purchase of five (5) Self Contained Breathing Apparatuses from Acklands Grainger – monthly payment will be \$1,086.80 plus HST
- \$7,100 plus HST to construct forms for the foundation of the Fire Department training facility in Argentia.
- \$8,165 including HST for interior construction work for Unity PARC canteen ceiling.
- \$4,000 annual grant to the Placentia Area Historical Society.

PERMITS

Permits issued during the month of August can be viewed online at www.placentia.ca/permits

COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

Council meetings are held the third Tuesday of every month. The next regular meeting is scheduled for 7PM September 20, 2022. Submissions, including permit applications, are due by Friday, September 9, 2022. The full meeting will be aired on the Town's YouTube: [TownofPlacentiaCouncil](https://www.youtube.com/TownofPlacentiaCouncil)

TOWN HALL INFORMATION

Office Hours 709-227-2151

After hours Public Works Emergency 227-4314

MARINE ATLANTIC STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

The Marine Atlantic Ferry Service returned to its regular three crossings a week in Argentia. Members of Council and Management recently met with President CAO Murray Hupman, members of the Marine Atlantic Board and Management Team, MP McDonald and Port of Argentia Representatives. General discussion focused around the current ferry service and future plans.



MV Atlantic Vision passing Red Island departing Argentia

RC PROPERTIES FOR SALE

The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of St. John's is selling all churches, rectories and land throughout the archdiocese. This includes three churches, one rectories and various parcels of land in the Town of Placentia. The land surrounding the Sacred Heart Church is part of the Town Square Development. Council approved to explore options to purchase the Sacred Heart Church and surrounding property as well as the two other churches - Holy Rosary and St. Anne's.

UNITY PARC UPDATE

Unity PARC is scheduled to reopen for the season on October 2, 2022. Several maintenance upgrades are required prior to reopening. Council approved \$7,100 plus HST for a contractor to remove existing canteen ceiling and replace with a T-bar ceiling. These repairs are necessary before sprinkler upgrades can be made. A RFP will also be advertised for the Canteen Operation before startup. Watch for posts at placentia.ca.

DEMENTIA FRIENDLY COMMUNITY


Members of Council and staff met with Healthy Community Coordinators of Eastern Health to discuss initiatives to integrate Placentia into a dementia friendly community so people living with dementia, their families and care partners can feel included and supported. The Town will be moving forward with this initiative and will promote dementia friendly principles in public physical and social environments.

SENSE OF ARRIVAL

The Town met with representatives of the Department of Tourism who are interested in resuming the Sense of Arrival concept. A planning session will be scheduled in September. A new "Welcome to Newfoundland and Labrador" sign at the port of Argentia is among the items being considered. A Placentia welcome sign at Whitbourne is another suggestion.

WILD ROSE AWARDS

2022 is being celebrated across Canada as the Year of the Garden. Residents and businesses are encouraged to support the Town's Municipal Wild Rose Award. Individuals or groups who have contributed to beautification, maintenance and gardening projects on private property or public spaces are eligible as well as anyone involved in community clean up or environmental projects. Deadline for the 2022 awards is August 31. Intake for the awards is open year round and applications can be picked up at the Town Hall or found online.



Important Public Notice

August 30, 2022

The Town of Placentia has received numerous reports of fox sightings near the Great Beach Boardwalk.

The public is urged NOT to handle or feed the foxes.

The Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture advises that wildlife is best left undisturbed in its natural surroundings. Feeding any wildlife, including foxes, creates a public safety hazard and may lead to the destruction of the animal.

Anyone encountering an aggressive wild animal in a residential area is asked to report it to Forestry and Wildlife.

DID YOU KNOW??

Under Section 79 of the Town of Placentia Land Use Zoning, Subdivision & Advertisement Regulations 2014-2024 that "no advertisement shall be erected or displayed in the Planning Area unless a permit for the advertisement is first obtained from the Authority. Permit for erection or display of advertisement on Provincial Highways shall be obtained from the Government Service Centre."