

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.

FIRE HALL RENOVATIONS

Council invested \$47,782.50 into Fire Hall infrastructure improvements through Gas Tax funding this year. The project included new siding to the exterior of the building, exterior trim, new doors and an accessible walkway.

Fire Prevention Week is scheduled for October 9-15, 2022. In observance of the 100th anniversary of Fire Prevention Week , the Fire Department has the following activities scheduled

October 9th – Fire Equipment Parade 2:00PM
October 11th – Fire Hall Open House 18 Larkin Drive 7:00PM
October 12th - St. Anne's Academy fire drill & safety presentation
October 13th - Laval High School fire drill and safety presentation
October 14th - Visit to various public buildings for fire prevention awareness



EXPENDITURE HIGHLIGHTS

Highlights of Council expenditures included:

- \$7,677.98 including HST for water system repairs.
- \$13,595.30 including HST for personal protective firefighting equipment.
- \$88,614.03 for purchase of a 1 tonne pickup truck for Public Works from Hickman Motors.

- \$25,000 grant to the Freshwater Community Centre for the Summer Recreation Program as budgeted.
- \$20,056.16 including HST for to supply pour and finish concrete into a prefabricated form for the fire department training facility in Argentia
- \$6,000 plus HST for the purchase of irregular sized pipe and connections
- \$3,950.25 including HST on the SCADA Project #17-MYCW-20-00100
- \$53,558.49 including HST to install culverts, posts, and guardrail at the entrance to Frecker
- \$500 to the Harbour Authority to have Christmas lights at the Jerseyside wharf

TAX COLLECTION

Council gave the CAO approval to utilize the Municipalities Act to take appropriate steps to collect outstanding tax balances. This will involve an aggressive collection program including water shut offs, rental payment interception and the public auctioning of properties that are non-compliant. Within the coming months the Town's accounting Staff will be reaching out to taxpayers to settle outstanding balances to avoid any further action. Residents will be encouraged to set up a payment plan.

COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

Council meetings are held the third Tuesday of every month. The next regular meeting is scheduled for 7PM October 18, 2022. Submissions, including permit applications, are due by Friday, October 7, 2022. The full meeting will be aired on the Town's YouTube: TownofPlacentiaCouncil.







PORT OF ARGENTIA UPDATE

Mayor Pearson gave highlights on the following business developments in Argentia:

- Grieg Seafood NL has identified Argentia as a preferred site to receive aquaculture feed. Product will be shipped to Argentia and collected by specially equipped vessels for distribution to sea cages in Placentia Bay.
- Port exhibited at Energy NL Conference and Tradeshow and attended the World Hydrogen Summit in Rotterdam, Offshore Technology Society in Houston, International Partners Forum in Atlantic City, U.S.; Offshore Wind in Boston; and SEUS-CP in Savannah. Attendance at these key industry sector events provided Port representatives with an opportunity to forge strategic business connections and promote Argentia to major global companies in traditional and emerging new economies
- Port attended meeting with Prime Minister Trudeau and German Chancellor Olaf Scholz in Stephenville to sign the green hydrogen energy deal.
- Port announced the signing of an Option to Lease Agreement with Pattern Energy LP to advance the development of a substantial renewable energy project at Argentia, including wind energy production and green hydrogen and derivate renewable fuels production and export facility. Growler Energy is doing consultations with the Port of Argentia and the Town later this month.
- Port is researching a proposed site for a spool base facility for offshore and are completing upgrades to docks in Argentia.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The following is a list of upcoming events

- PBIS 2022 October 25-26
- Trunk or Treat October 30
- Light up the Square November 28
- Santa Parade December 3
- Mummers' Parade December 27

UNITY PARC UPDATE

Unity PARC will open early October for ice rentals and fitness room use. Council approved a RFP from the Weiner Wagon to operate the canteen for the 2022-2023 operating season.

PERMITS

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

TOWN HALL INFORMATION

Office Hours 709-227-2151
After hours Public Works Emergency 227-4314



BUSINESS INCENTIVE PROGRAM

The Town of Placentia has a Business Incentive Program to recognize long standing businesses in operation for 5 years or more. To learn about the program and your eligibility, contact the Town Hall:

www.placentia.ca townofplacentia@placentia.ca 709-227-2151

Deadline for applications is October 31, 2022.

BUSINESS SUPPORT



OCT. 9-15, 2022

FIRE WON'T WAIT
PLAN YOUR ESCAPE

