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TOWN OF COLINET Newsletter













Happy Anniversary!

Town of Colinet 50 Years of Incorporation **September 24, 2024**

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MESSAGE FROM TOWN COUNCIL

Happy 50th Anniversary to the Town of Colinet! It's been a great year and Council is excited to be moving forward with several projects, including much needed road work on our town roads.

We wish to acknowledge the departure of our Mayor, Ben Didham, who resigned his post effective October 1, 2024, as he moved from Colinet. Ben will be missed for his passion, interest and work for the Town of Colinet. We thank him for his service and wish him luck as he moves forward.

TOWN COUNCIL:

- Joan Nolan, Deputy Mayor
- Loretta Nash, Councillor
- Paula Linehan, Councillor
- Don Corrigan, Councillor

CONTACT INFORMATION:

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Colinet, NL A0B 1M0

Phone: 709-521-2300

OFFICE HOURS:

Town Clerk: Brenda Pike

Mondays & Tuesdays, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Email: townofcolinet.nl@gmail.com Facebook: Town of Colinet, St. Mary's Bay

UPDATE ON TOWN BUSINESS

BI-ELECTION

There will be a bi-election to fill one vacant seat of Council on Wednesday, November 13, 2024. Nominations will be accepted at the Town Office on Tuesday, October 29 from 8:00 am to 8:00 p.m. Nominees must:

- Be a Canadian citizen 18 years of age or older;
- Be ordinarily resident in the municipality for at least 30 days before the date set for the commencement of the nomination period.
- Be not in arrears of taxes or other charges payable to the municipality;
- 4. Be not otherwise disqualified under the Municipal Elections Act, and
- 5. Accept the nomination.

2024 PROPERTY TAXES

Please pay any outstanding property taxes by December 31, 2024. Thank you.

SPEEDING

Council has erected "Slow Down" signs at the entrances to the town, as well as several other areas which are deemed hazardous, especially for children and pets. Thank you to Ben Didham for donating these signs.

Council met with the RCMP in September to discuss the ongoing speeding problem. The RCMP advised that the best course of action to deal with the speeding issue is to **REPORT** IT WHEN YOU SEE IT. In an ideal situation, you would have a description of the vehicle, licence plate # and a description of the driver to provide to the RCMP. However, that's not always realistic and, even with minimal information, you are encouraged to report any incidence of speeding to the Holyrood detachment. Every call made is recorded and the number of calls received determines the action of the RCMP in monitoring traffic in the town. The RCMP will be increasing their presence in the town, so it is in your best interest to pay attention to the speed limit signs as you travel throughout the area.

FLU AND VACCINE CLINICS

A vaccine clinic will be held at the Town Hall in Mount Carmel as follows:

- Thursday, November 21, 2024, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.

To register for the clinic, book online at www.timefortheshot.ca.



MAINTENANCE WORKER

Thank you to Brian Bulger for his great work as Maintenance Worker for the town over the summer. Brian did a great job looking after town property and assisting where needed.

FIRE SERVICE FEES

The Provincial Government has approved the Fire Services Agreement between Eastern Regional Service Board and the Town of Colinet. ERSB will collect fire service fees on behalf of the Town in Harricott, North Harbour, and outlying areas on Markland Road, Nine Mile Road, etc. Collection of these fees will commence in 2025 and will provide much-needed funds to the Colinet-Harricott-North Harbour Volunteer Fire Department. Residents of Colinet will not pay this extra fee, as fire protection is included in their property taxes.

ROAD WORK

Triple J Excavating and Dump Truck Services have been granted the contract for road work. Please exercise caution as you travel on town roads for the next few months while construction is ongoing. Be sure to allow extra time if you have appointments, as there may be delays as the crews work to repair the roads.



TOWN OF COLINET 50th ANNIVERSARY

The Town of Colinet celebrated 50 years of incorporation on September 24th, 2024. Residents and visitors enjoyed a full weekend of celebrations.

Town Council wishes to thank the Colinet Loggers' Heritage Society for partnering with the town to make these celebrations possible. A big thank you to Sherry Gambin-Walsh and her assistant, Ita Hatfield, for hosting a card game during the weekend. Sherry also presented the town with a Certificate of Congratulations for their 50th Anniversary. Council extends a warm thank you to all those who volunteered over the weekend. There are too many to mention by name but your time and effort were certainly appreciated. As they say, many hands make light work. Visit the Town of Colinet, St. Mary's Bay, Facebook page for pictures and details of the weekend events.



REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY

The Remembrance Day ceremony will be held on Monday, November 11 at 10:45 a.m. at the Cemetery in Colinet.

Veterans in the area are invited to participate in the ceremony; if you would like to take part, please contact the Town Office. Families are invited to lay a wreath in memory of their loved ones. There will be soup, sandwiches, cookies, tea and coffee at the Town Hall following the ceremony.

GARBAGE AND BULK WASTE COLLECTION

Issues with garbage collection and bulk waste should be relayed directly to ERSB at 877-878-2166 or 709-579-7960 or by email at info@ersbnl.ca.

CHRISTMAS EVENT

The Colinet Christmas Parade will be held on Sunday, December 8 from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m., followed by a reception with a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus at the Town Hall. Hotdogs, hot chocolate, drinks and cookies will be served. Everyone welcome! Get creative with your floats - Council is offering a \$25 gift card for the best float.

The Town Office will be closed for the Christmas break from December 23, 2024, to January 3, 2025, inclusive.



FITNESS CLASSES

Fitness classes will resume downstairs in the Town Hall on Mondays and Wednesdays from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m., beginning on October 21. Cost to participants will be \$2.00 per class and participants will need to bring their own water bottles.

RECREATION ACTIVITIES

Several people have expressed an interest in participating in group activities. If you would like to see group activities (e.g. darts, card games, etc.) being offered, there is space available in the Town Hall. We just need someone to take the lead to get the groups started. Council will do everything they can to get the word out to help with getting people involved—just contact the town office if you would like to see these activities happen.

CELL PHONE SERVICE

Council has contacted several government officials regarding the poor cell service in the area, seeking assistance in moving forward with getting improved service. Businesses in the area are encouraged to write a letter of support to the Town outlining concerns with the lack of/poor cell service in the area. We are also hoping to gain the cooperation of neighboring towns as we lobby for better service.

PROJECTS

Is there a project that you would like to see happen in the Town? If there is, feel free to attend a town meeting or send a proposal to the Town Office for Council's consideration. Council welcomes your ideas and will work with residents to make our town a better place for everyone.

Colinet-Harricott-North Harbour Volunteer Fire Department

	Home Phone No.	Cellphone No.
Ralph Linehan, Fire Chief	521-2809	690-2347
Albert Brewer, Asst. Fire Chief	730-9105	687-2383
Gerard Linehan	521-2558	330-1634
Gordon Hearn	521-2396	687-8182
Jason Downey	521-2830	682-5071
Matt Leary		770-7181
Bernard Nolan	222-7838	682-7838
Michael Nolan	521-2430	727-0782
Elizabeth Nolan	521-2430	727-8112
Robert Nash		687-3203
Levi Stoyles		631-6383

IMPORTANT NUMBERS:

Poison Control: 709-722-1110 / 1-866-727-1110

Eastern Health Clinics – St. Mary's: 709-525-2980; Holyrood: 709-229-1557

Ambulance and Medical Emergencies: 911

Mental Health and Addictions: 811 RCMP Holyrood: 709-229-3892

A huge thank you to all who volunteer in our community!