



PRESERVING OUR PAST - DEVELOPING OUR FUTURE

A Big Thank You to Festival Volunteers

Summer festivals are past us now and a big thank you must go out to all the volunteers who make the summer exciting for residents and visitors alike, starting with Canada Day in Weymouth, Lobster Bash in Digby, Cherry Carnival in Bear River, Scallop Days, and Breaking Waves on Long Island, Digby County Exhibition in Bear River and finally Wharf Rat Rally. The summer is full of community events that showcase our friendly nature and are something to be proud of. The planning and organizing of these successful events takes a great deal of time and effort from volunteers from all communities. They would simply not exist without their dedication. Council would like to thank everyone for giving us such great memories of the summer of 2019. If you want to get involved, contact your local festival organizing group and experience your favorite festival from a whole new perspective.

Weymouth Canada Day



Lobster Bash



Digby Co. Ex



Breaking Waves Festival



Scallop Days



126TH BEAR RIVER CHERRY CARNIVAL
JULY 20, 2019
7 AM - 10 PM
ALL DAY EVENTS



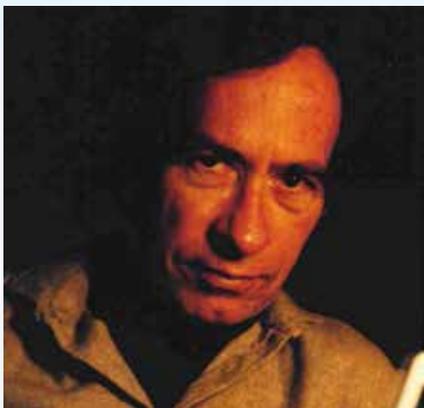
Municipal Chain of Office

Embodiment of Leadership



I remember the artwork very well as it was a challenge to portray a lot in a symbolic emblem.

Gene Samsom



In 1983, the municipal council commissioned the creation of a municipal chain of office to be worn by the warden during official events. The chain contains various symbols that represent the geography, industry and culture of the Digby area. Former councilor, David Irvine, was assigned by council at the time, to develop a concept and follow through with the fabrication of the chain. Longtime resident and artist from Bear River, Gene Samsom, was commissioned to create a design for the municipal crest. After several revisions, a final design was selected. The crest depicts the major themes from the area like forestry, fishery, municipal airport and family. Once a crest design was established, the remaining symbols for the chain were designed. These symbols are a maple leaf representing Canada, clasping hands symbolizing tourism, ships, lobster, lighthouses and seagulls were included to represent our coastal communities and two agate stones from the area complete the assembly. Inscribed on the back of each symbol are the individual names of the Municipal Wardens starting from 1879 to 2010. The chain was fabricated by Round Hill Pewter, owned and operated by Fred Wheidhaas.

Council Meetings

Committee of the Whole

Oct 15 5 pm

Council

Oct 28 6 pm

Committee of the Whole

Nov 12 5 pm

Council

Nov 25 6 pm

On the Trails

Welcome to Boar's Head

Boars Head has a new entrance sign to help visitors understand everything the site has to offer.

The sign includes a large map showing places to park, showing the trail to the Althouse Look off and giving approximate times for walking instead of driving.

The Tiverton Central Grove Heritage Association also has purchased some safety signage they'll be erecting soon and some directional signage for the Althouse Lookoff Trail too.

The signage was part of a project funded in part through the provincial trail maintenance program administered by Communities Culture and Heritage.



Craig Buckman, chair of the Tiverton Central Grove Heritage Association, set up a new entrance sign at Boar's Head this fall.

Kings Transit
real-time bus tracking with

Double
MAP



REMO

Regional Emergency
Measures Organization



Winter is soon upon us. It is time to check your emergency kit!!

One of the things we often face during winter are power outages,

What to do during a power outage

First, check whether the power outage is limited to your home. If your neighbours' power is still on, check your own circuit breaker panel or fuse box. If the problem is not a breaker or a fuse, check the service wires leading to the house. If they are obviously damaged or on the ground, stay at least 10 meters back and notify your electric supply authority. Keep the number along, with other emergency numbers, near your telephone.

If your neighbours' power is also out, notify your electric supply authority, Nova Scotia Power.

Turn off all tools, appliances and electronic equipment, and turn the thermostat(s) for the home heating system down to minimum to prevent damage from a power surge when power is restored. Also, power can be restored more easily when there is not a heavy load on the electrical system.

Turn off all lights, except one inside and one outside, so that both you and hydro crews outside know that power has been restored.

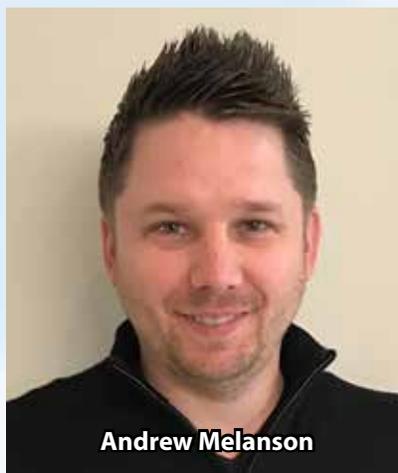
Don't open your freezer or fridge unless it is absolutely necessary. A full freezer will keep food frozen for 24 to 36 hours if the door

remains closed.

Never use charcoal or gas barbecues, camping heating equipment, or home generators indoors or in garages. They give off carbon monoxide. Because you can't smell or see it, carbon monoxide can cause health problems and is life-threatening.

Use proper candle holders. Never leave lit candles unattended and keep out of reach of children. Always extinguish candles before going to bed.

Listen to your battery-powered or wind-up radio for information on the outage and advice from authorities.



Andrew Melanson

Andrew Melanson has joined the Western Regional Enterprise Network as the **BusinessNow** Lead, Western REN's flagship client-facing service.

He brings to the role a wealth of human resources (HR) and business development experience predominantly from the retail industry and the credit union system.

After graduating from the University of Toronto (Honours B.A. in Anthropology) Andrew established a career with CUSOURCE,

the national training and development organization for the credit unions across Canada. He then graduated with High Honours from Seneca College's Human Resources Management program, while rapidly being promoted to a head office HR position at The Mobile Shop, a division of Loblaw Inc.

In early 2019, Andrew and his family moved back to Clare. Andrew accepted the position as BusinessNow Lead in July, and he has hit the ground running – visiting businesses right across the region.

The Western REN's **BusinessNow** program offers professional, confidential, free-of-charge visitation to help strengthen businesses, identify opportunities for growth, and provide navigation for many available programs and services.

This program is often the Western REN's first point of contact with regional company owners and employers. Andrew's experience in fact-finding, analytical problem-solving roles and large enterprise environments enables him to make an immediate and meaningful impact on your business.

Business owners and managers can contact Andrew by email at amelanson@westernren.ca or call 902-740-1799, or stop by the Western REN's new location at 210 Main St. in Yarmouth.

The Western REN informs, connects and accelerates regional economic development in the municipalities of Argyle, Barrington, Clare, Digby, and Yarmouth and in the towns of Digby and Yarmouth.

Remember
Replace your smoke alarm
batteries every fall
It may save your life



Along the Coastline

- * Summer was very busy with many festivals and events taking place in our communities. Council would like to thank all the organizers and volunteers who make these events possible.
- * Council would also like to thank the volunteer fire departments who opened their doors as comfort centres in the aftermath of hurricane Dorian.
- * Representatives of the Digby area attended the Dalhousie Family Medicine Resident Education Job Fair held in St. Andrews, NB. There were approximately 143 residents in attendance at the Job Fair. Thank you to Dr. David LaPierre and Jill Balsler from Inspiring Communities who represented our area well. Also thank you to Phil Barrett and the Digby Area Charitable Health Foundation.
- * On Sept 18th Warden MacAlpine attending the Western NS Rural Housing Forum held at the Annapolis Basin Conference Centre in Cornwallis Park. **The Further Together Forum** provided an opportunity for councillors, organizations, business sectors and all levels of government to collaborate in addressing housing challenges in Western Nova Scotia.
- * Councillors have been busy in their districts meeting with constituents and attending various committee meetings, functions and events.



Milestone Certificates

Council provides a certificate of recognition to groups and individuals for significant milestones or achievements.

To find out more go to:

www.digbydistrict.ca for details.

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Health File

New collaborative family practice team members welcomed

The Digby collaborative family practice team has welcomed some new team members over the past few months.

Welcome to Nurse Practitioner Robyn Hamilton, who will start seeing patients at the Digby Health Services Centre and the Islands Health Centre in October.

Robyn completed her Masters of Nursing, Nurse Practitioner in 2019, from University of New Brunswick. Robyn will gradually take on patients from the Need a Family Practice registry. Patients will be called to schedule appointments.

The team also recently welcomed nurse practitioner Vanina Walsh, who started seeing patients in May. Vanina has experience working in rural communities, having served patients with the Barrie & Community Family Health Team and as a traveling community health nurse in Nunavut.

Also, Melissa Kelly, Registered Nurse, started working in the Diabetes Centre. Welcome all.

People who don't have a family doctor or nurse practitioner should register by calling 811, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., or visit: needafamilypractice.nshealth.ca



Nurse Practitioner
Robyn Hamilton



Nurse Practitioner
Vanina Walsh

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