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ANNUAL PETROLIA NEW YEARS' LEVEE TO BRING VIRTUAL GREETINGS AND AWARD GRANTS

The tradition of the levee started in the 17th century with King Louis XIV as his opportunity to welcome select subjects to his bedchamber at the start of a new day. The custom spread through Great Britain in the 18th century as a formal court reception hosted for men in the early afternoon.

The association between the levee and New Year's Day began in Canada as this was the day that fur traders paid their respects to their government representatives.

The first formal Canadian levee was recorded on January 1, 1646 in the Chateau St. Louis by Charles Huault de Montmagny, the Governor of New France (later Québec). During the levee, Huault de Montmagny greeted residents and shared the state of affairs within the area.

Today, the format of the levee has changed considerably but the idea of having residents welcomed by their local government at the start of a New Year is alive and well in Petrolia.

Due to the COVID-19 world pandemic, the Petrolia Levee hosted by the Petrolia Heritage Committee will not proceed as it has for the past several years. This year's levee and Petrolia Community Fund Grant presentations will be brought to the community as a video with greetings from Mayor R. Brad Loosley, Petrolia Heritage Advisory Committee Member, Marty Dillon and Community Micro Grant Presentations from Jane Anema, Executive Director, and fellow members of the Petrolia Community Fund.

The video will be published at 1:00 p.m. on January 1, 2021 and will be available via link on the Town website (www.town.petrolia.on.ca), on the Town of Petrolia You Tube Channel, or on the Town of Petrolia Facebook Page.

The Town of Petrolia would like to thank the Petrolia Heritage Advisory Committee for their work to keep this tradition alive in Petrolia each year, and to the Petrolia Community Fund for their generosity.

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CHRISTMAS & NEW YEARS

WASTE COLLECTION SCHEDULE

With the holidays, we will have some amendments to our waste collection pick ups.

Regular Day	For the week of: December 21-25, 2020	For the week of: Dec.28/20 - Jan. 1/21
MONDAY/TUESDAY	AS SCHEDULED	AS SCHEDULED
WEDNESDAY	NO COLLECTION	NO COLLECTION
THURSDAY	Wed., Dec. 23, 2020	Wed., Dec. 30 , 2020
FRIDAY	Thurs., Dec.24, 2020	Thurs., Dec. 31, 2020

From Mayor Loosley, Council and Staff
we wish you all the best this holiday season,
and send warm wishes to you and yours
for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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The Municipal Office will be Closed at noon, Dec. 24 and will re-open on Monday, Jan. 4, 2021.

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dog tags expire December 31st

first tag
\$30

second tag
\$60



after
Jan. 31st
\$45 1st;
\$90 2nd

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411 Greenfield Street, P.O. Box 1270
Petrolia, Ontario N0N 1R0
Phone: (519) 882-2350

Please have proof of updated
vaccination provided

www.townpetrolia.on.ca

2 dog limit, all dogs
are to be licensed
each year

Tags can be bought in person during office
hours, or mail renewal form in
(include additional \$2 for tag return)

Direct questions to clerksdepartment@petrolia.ca

Let's get back to
the basics of recycling.

Remember these three rules
each time you recycle:



1 Recycle all empty plastic bottles,
cans, paper and cardboard.



2 Keep food and liquids
out of the recycling.



3 Empty recyclables
directly into your cart
- NO bagged recyclables.

A helpful guide to keep in mind:

- Please flatten your cardboard and keep it smaller than 36" x 12".
- Rinse your recyclables.
- No masks or gloves.
- Waxed cardboard is not accepted.
- No plastic bags.
- No diapers, or household wipes.
- Styrofoam is not recyclable.
- Any paper items are recyclable but remember to remove personal information prior to recycling.

For more information, please visit: [https://
www.wm.com/us/en/recycle-right/recycling-101](https://www.wm.com/us/en/recycle-right/recycling-101)



WASTE COLLECTION Reminder to Residents

- Waste/Recycling is to be placed at the curb no earlier than 7:00 p.m. the night before collection
- Please have Waste/Recycling at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on day of collection



For more information
on what can/cannot be
placed at the curb for
recycling/waste collection
please visit:
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TOWN OF PETROLIA FACILITIES CLOSURES/CANCELLATIONS NOTICE EFFECTIVE 12:00 p.m., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2020

As per Provincial guidelines, we will be entering a Provincial shutdown effective 12:00 p.m., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24.

Staff are continuously monitoring developments around coronavirus (COVID-19), and we continue to look to the Public Health Agency of Canada, Public Health Ontario, and our various municipal health experts for recommendations, guidance, and direction.

For the safety of our residents and staff, the decision has been made to close the Town of Petrolia Municipal Office to the public effective 12:00 p.m., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24. Regular hours will continue from 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday after the scheduled holiday closure from deep cleaning until January 4, 2021. Staff will be available to respond to resident needs and requests by telephone to (519) 882-2350 or by e-mail to the specific staff member you require or to our general inbox at petrolia@petrolia.ca. Please also follow the Town of Petrolia on Facebook, Twitter and check our website (www.town.petrolia.on.ca) for regular updates. We have a mail slot available for anyone that wishes to drop any correspondence or payments off at the Municipal Office to be processed by staff. At this time, the Municipal Office closure to the public will proceed until further notice.

All essential services will be maintained including water, wastewater, snow removal, salting, curbside waste collection and recycling collection and cemetery services. The staff of the Town of Petrolia are dedicated to maintaining the level of service that is expected from residents.

“We understand that this may be challenging for some residents, but for the health and safety of our community we are encouraging social distancing and limiting all non-essential contact. The wellness of our community is of paramount importance. Please stay home if you are able and take care of yourself and your families” Said Mayor R. Brad Loosley. Continued on page 5.

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Petrolia Town Council Meetings and Advisory Committee Meetings will proceed as scheduled online via video conferencing.

The Public Washrooms at the Petrolia Farmers' Market will be available for use Monday – Friday between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Town of Petrolia Planner, Rob Nesbitt, will not be working out of the Petrolia Municipal Office until further notice. He can be reached by e-mail at rob.nesbitt@county-lambton.on.ca.

The Victoria Playhouse Petrolia Box Office will remain closed to foot traffic until further notice. Ticket sales for future performances will still be available by telephone to (519) 882-1221 or 1-800-717-7694. Any outstanding rentals of Victoria Hall scheduled for January, and February have been cancelled or postponed.

The Petrolia YMCA will close effective Saturday, December 26, 2020 for a period of at least 28 days. All bookings, classes and programs have been cancelled. Plans to re-open will be announced when available. Memberships will be placed on hold, and no fees will be charged during this time.

The Greenwood Recreation Centre is suspending rentals, and on ice activities effective December 24, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. until further notice.

Chief Administrative Officer/Treasurer, Rick Charlebois said, "...Residents are asked to consider their elderly and vulnerable neighbours, please check in on them and offer them assistance with tasks such as grocery shopping and provide physically distanced social interaction. This is the time that we need to take care of one another."

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The Assessment Centre has been moved to Wyoming and is operating out of the new Health Team Building.

Plympton-Wyoming Health & Wellness Centre

596 Broadway Street, Wyoming

Please book online by going to testing.getcorigan.ca.

Choose from available times and schedule tests when it is convenient for you.

If unable to book online, email ecovidclinic@clfht.com.

Spanish and Arabic language is available.

Assessment Centre holiday hours:

Monday December 21 – 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday December 22 – 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday December 23 – 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Thursday December 24 – 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Friday December 25 – CLOSED

Saturday December 26 – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Thursday December 31 – 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Friday January 1 – CLOSED

Saturday January 2 – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Standard hours continue:

Monday to Thursday – 1:00p.m. to 7:00p.m.

(Friday hours to be set)

Saturday – 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Mayor R. Brad Loosley said, “We thank you for your assistance and understanding as we navigate this constantly changing challenge. We will continuously assess our procedures and policies as more information becomes available and provide updates. Please take extra care to work together, share kindness and remain calm. Please think more about spending money in Petrolia to support our friends and neighbours. The continued health and safety of our residents and staff is of utmost importance, so we thank you for your efforts to stay home during this time. We wish you all continued good health and thank you for showing compassion and caring for one another. We would also like to thank our front-line medical staff for their efforts and for their guidance.”

Please continue to be vigilant and maintain physical distance, wash your hands, and wear a mask.

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SUMMARY OF CANCELLATIONS AND CLOSURES:

- Petrolia Municipal Offices will be closed to the public effective 12:00 p.m., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24 with a re-opening date to be determined. After the planned Holiday closure for deep cleaning; starting Monday, January 4, 2021, Staff will still be available by telephone (519)882-2350 and by e-mail direct to staff members or to the general inbox petrolia@petrolia.ca.
- Town of Petrolia Planner, Rob Nesbitt, will not be working out of the Petrolia Municipal Office until further notice. He can be reached by e-mail at rob.nesbitt@county-lambton.on.ca.
- Victoria Hall/Playhouse Box Office will remain closed to walk-in traffic. Tickets for future performances are available by calling (519) 882-1221 or 1-800-717-7694.
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2021 Council Meeting Calendar

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approved by Council on xxxx, xx 2020

Submission Deadline for Correspondence for agenda listing, is 12:00 noon the Tuesday prior to the Council meeting

7:00 pm, Regular Council
Municipal Conference

5:00 pm Education Session/7:00 pm, Regular Council*
Statutory Holiday

* Education session is as needed.

When public meeting is scheduled

please reference meeting agenda

for confirmed session start time

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Town of
PETROLIA
you'll be surprised!

Reminder

NO SMOKING



NO VAPING
(e-cigarettes)



Ontario

In all Petrolia Parks.
Thank you!



WINTER MAINTENANCE NOTICE

Snow Removal

- Under the Highway Traffic Act Section 181 - Deposit of snow on Roadway, states that "No person shall deposit snow or ice on a roadway without permission in writing to do so from the Ministry of Transportation or the road authority responsible for the maintenance of the road."
- This generally applies to the snow that accumulates in laneways from precipitation and from private or municipal snow plowing operations, those who insist on plowing snow from private property onto public roads can be fined

Overnight Parking

- Residents are reminded there is no overnight parking on Town streets between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.
- This allows for the Town's Road Crews to plow the roads safely and efficiently, we ask that you please abide by the by-law and be considerate of the road crews when they are out doing their best to keep our roads open and in safe condition

Parking on roadway

- Under the Highway Traffic Act Section 170.

Vehicles interfering with traffic

(12) Despite the other provisions of this section, no person shall park or stand a vehicle on a highway in such a manner as to interfere with the movement of traffic or the clearing of snow from the highway. R.S.O. 1990, c. H.8, s. 170 (12).

Sidewalks

- Under By-Law Business owners are required to maintain the front area of their storefront, this includes the removal of snow
- The Sidewalk Plow will make its way through Town once permissible, Roads are the priority for Works Crew once they are clear Sidewalks

Sporting Equipment

- Please ensure all sporting equipment ie: hockey nets, basketball nets are removed from the curb & roadway

Your co-operation is appreciated

Mike Thompson
Director of Operations

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Resident Survey Available Regarding 2022 Petrolia Municipal Election

Petrolia – As staff begin to prepare for the 2022 Municipal Election in Petrolia, a survey has been developed to help them shape the future of voting for the future in Petrolia.

In 2018, eligible voters were given the option to vote by telephone or online, and the Town of Petrolia saw historic voter turnout.

In keeping with our promise to keep residents informed, we are asking for your feedback. A very short survey designed to answer this question has been developed and we ask that residents take a moment to complete it to help us better understand where our residents and business owners' opinions are on this matter.

Survey Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8KYS85H>

The survey is available until Friday, January 15, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. and the results will be included on a future Regular Council Agenda where it will be discussed.

For those that wish to provide more feedback, please forward any written correspondence you would like to have considered by Council during that meeting to our Municipal Clerk at mpearson@petrolia.ca and it will be placed on the public agenda. Paper copies are available at Town Hall.



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- Council Meetings
- Public Open Houses
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2. Select Your Interests
3. Enter Your E-mail

Questions? Please contact the Clerk's Office



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By-Law Concern?

Contact us

Fire By-Law Enforcement:

Phone: 519-312-1238

Parking By-Law Enforcement:

Phone: 519-312-1238

General By-Law Enforcement:

Phone: 519-845-5420.

inspect@county-lambton.on.ca

Animal Control:

Glencoe Animal Shelter

Phone: 519-287-2974



519-882-2350 | www.town.petrolia.on.ca

Posters available in alternative formats