

# Stratford Town Crier

Town Crier, August 26, 2023

Public Information, Notices and Meeting Schedule

## **BACK TO SCHOOL SAFETY**

With students preparing to head back to school in September, vehicle and pedestrian traffic will soon be increasing across the City. As the safety of all pedestrians is of utmost importance, we ask that everyone please drive carefully and always remember to:

- Stay alert around school buses and in school safety zones.
- Obey proper rules at crossing guard locations and only proceed when crossing guards and pedestrians have completely crossed the road.
- Always be alert & aware of pedestrians - drive slowly & be cautious around schools and crossings.
- Limit any distractions, remove headphones, put away cellphones and other distractions when crossing the street, make eye contact with drivers & pedestrians when in crossing zones.
- Look for signage and adhere to school zone areas identified as 'no parking' or 'no stopping'.
- Follow all instructions from the crossing guards, always wait for the crossing guard to stop traffic and indicate that it is safe to cross.

The City's crossing guards and parking enforcement officers work every day to uphold pedestrian and vehicle safety. We ask that you do your part to help make sure everyone stays safe.

## **CITY WIDE TREASURE HUNT WEEKEND**

The City of Stratford is holding a Treasure Hunt from Friday August 25 until Sunday August 27 where residents can recycle any unwanted household items by placing them at the curb. Items can be put at the curb starting at 4:00 p.m. on Friday for anyone to come and pick up. Any unclaimed items must be removed by the curb by 3:00 p.m. Sunday. You're being reminded not to leave any items you want to keep, including children's toys or bicycles, near the curb during the weekend.

## **JOIN THE AD-HOC GRAND TRUNK RENEWAL COMMITTEE - REMINDER**

Stratford City Council established the Ad-Hoc Grand Trunk Renewal Committee in 2023 to provide support and a forum for input and exchange of ideas on the renewal of the Grand Trunk building. The Ad-Hoc Grand Trunk Renewal Committee will be made up of volunteer, unpaid positions which represent key sectors for a two-year term.

We are seeking individuals to fill the following positions on the Ad-Hoc Committee:

- One (1) Citizen-at-Large
- One (1) Economic Development – e.g. BIA member, Chamber of Commerce representative, business owner, manufacturing
- One (1) Development – e.g., construction or building industry
- One (1) Accounting – accountant, financial planning
- One (1) Stratford Lakeside Active Adults Association member
- One (1) Youth – e.g. aged 13-25
- One (1) Education – e.g. Teacher, principal, professor, director
- One (1) Theatre – community or professional theatre
- One (1) Design – e.g. architect, engineer
- One (1) Legal – e.g. lawyer, insurance
- One (1) Land use planning – e.g. planner

Applicants must be 18 years of age or older (with the exception of the youth representative), be able to attend committee meetings quarterly, and available to serve a term from September 2023 to September 2025.

For more information about the Ad-Hoc Grand Trunk Renewal Committee, including details on how to apply, please visit the City's website at [www.stratford.ca](http://www.stratford.ca).

To apply, please complete the form available through the City's website. Paper copies of the application are also available in the Clerk's Office located on the ground floor of Stratford City Hall, 1 Wellington Street.

## **CROSSING GUARDS NEEDED FOR 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR**

Are you looking for a part-time job that makes a difference in your community? The City of Stratford is seeking crossing guards to play an important role in helping children safely walk to and from school at various locations across the City. As a crossing guard, you would be responsible for:

- covering shifts at the morning school bell times for student arrival and afternoon school bell times for student dismissal.
- ensure that children travelling to and from school pass safely through your assigned crossing.
- acting as an important safety figure and engaged member of the community.

All training and equipment will be provided.

Interested persons may submit resumes in person to the Clerk's Office at City Hall or by emailing Commissionaires Great Lakes at [crossingguardrecruiting.gl@commissionaires.ca](mailto:crossingguardrecruiting.gl@commissionaires.ca). For more information, please visit [www.stratford.ca/crossingguards](http://www.stratford.ca/crossingguards).

The deadline to apply is Friday, September 8, 2023, at 4:30 p.m.

## **ATTENTION STRATFORD PROPERTY OWNERS PROPERTY TAX – 2023 FINAL LEVY DUE DATE AUGUST 29, 2023 – FINAL REMINDER**

For your convenience, property tax payments by cheque may be deposited in the mailbox at City Hall, Rear Entrance. Payment at your bank or on-line/telephone banking is also available. Please make cheques payable to "City of Stratford" and mail to P.O. Box 818, Stratford ON N5A 6W1. Pre-authorized payment is available monthly or quarterly, call to inquire. Contact: Tax Department, 519-271-0250, extension 5212.

The Town Crier is posted to the City's website.

[www.stratford.ca](http://www.stratford.ca)