

# Municipality of the District of St. Mary's

Newsletter: October 2020 [www.saint-marys.ca](http://www.saint-marys.ca) (P) 902-522-2049 (F) 902-522-2309



## Meetings of Council

The next regular meeting of Council is Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 7:00 pm. The Committee of the Whole meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 7:00pm and the Inaugural meeting of the new Council will be held October 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. Meetings of Council are now open to the public. If you are interested in attending a meeting, you must pre-register to ensure capacity. Please call the office at 902-522-2049 to pre-register. Agendas and minutes are available at [www.saint-marys.ca](http://www.saint-marys.ca). The Municipal Office and Transfer Station will be closed on October 12<sup>th</sup> for Thanksgiving and on October 13<sup>th</sup> the Municipal Office is closed from noon-4pm as the Municipal Office is an Advanced Poll Location.

## Aspen Dry Hydrant

At the regular meeting of Council on Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020, Council awarded the Aspen Dry Hydrant Tender to Wilsons Cove Excavation & Trucking Ltd. The dry hydrant was designed by Ed MacDonald, EDMAR Ltd. for the specific location on McKeen Crescent, as agreed to by the St. Mary's District Fireman's Association. Installation of the dry hydrant is scheduled to begin soon.

## Waste Reduction Week in Canada

October 19 - 25, 2020 is Waste Reduction week in Canada. The Municipality commits to waste reduction, resource conservation, and community education for sustainable living. Groups and individuals from across Canada are celebrating Waste Reduction Week in Canada by rethinking, reducing, reusing, and recycling. Visit [www.erswm.ca](http://www.erswm.ca) for additional information.

## Develop Nova Scotia

Develop NS recently announced the second round of Internet for Nova Scotia Initiative Projects. In this second round, areas of the Eastern Strait/Guysborough Zone will be covered. The Internet Service Provider for these areas will be Bell Canada. Round 2 projects announced in August 2020 mean an additional 32,000 homes and businesses will have access to high-speed Internet in the form of fibre to the home: 11,000 by summer 2021, 21,000 by end of 2021 and all 32,000 by summer 2022. Some areas included in this second round include: Eight Island Lake, Giant's Lake, Fraser Mills, Liscomb, Spanish Ship Bay, Liscomb Mills, Little Liscomb, Melrose, Aspen, Glenelg, Smithfield, Cameron Settlement, Caledonia, Port Bickerton, Harpellville, Holland Harbour, Fisherman's Harbour, Stillwater, Sherbrooke, Goldenville, Port Hilford, Wine Harbour and Sonora. For more information please visit <https://internet.developns.ca/>

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Submission deadline for the November issue of the Newsletter is October 21st, 2020. Submissions can be faxed to 522-2309 or emailed to: [physical.activity@saint-marys.ca](mailto:physical.activity@saint-marys.ca). Please note we reserve the right to edit submissions.

## Solid Waste October 2020 Collection

Eastern Shore Cartage 1-800-261-0372

The Transfer Station is open:

Monday & Tuesday and Friday & Saturday: 9:00-4:30

Tuesday	Zone 1	September 29 1 Bulky Item & Garbage	October 6 Recyclables	October 13 1 Bulky Item & Garbage	October 20 Recyclables	October 27 1 Bulky Item & Garbage
Wednesday	Zone 2	September 30 1 Bulky Item & Garbage	October 7 Recyclables	October 14 1 Bulky Item & Garbage	October 21 Recyclables	October 28 1 Bulky Item & Garbage
Thursday	Zone 3	October 1 1 Bulky Item & Garbage	October 8 Recyclables	October 15 1 Bulky Item & Garbage	October 22 Recyclables	October 29 1 Bulky Item & Garbage

**ZONE 1:** New Chester, Ecum Secum, Liscomb to Sherbrooke including Sonora and Old Road Hill.

**ZONE 2:** East Loon Lake, Smithfield, Denver, Newtown, Glenelg Church Rd, Aspen to Goshen to Borneo Rd inclusive.

**ZONE 3:** Hwy 211, IHL to Port Bickerton, Stillwater, West Melrose, Lead Minds Rd, to Waternish inclusive.

# Municipal News

## 2019/2020 Municipal Audited Financial Statements

At the regular meeting of Council on Monday, September 14th, 2020 Municipal Council passed a motion to approve the Audited Financial Statements for the year ending March 31st, 2020. These statements mark the 5th year in a row that the Municipality has operated with a surplus. The operating surplus for 2019/2020 was \$91,182, of which Council passed a motion to transfer \$86,182 of the surplus to the Municipal Capital Reserve, leaving \$5,000 surplus being added to the Municipal Accumulated Surplus. As of March 31st, 2020, the balance of the Municipal Accumulated Operating Surplus was \$1,731,192, and the Capital Reserve Fund was \$429,103. A copy of the audited Financial Statements can be found on the municipal website [www.saint-marys.ca](http://www.saint-marys.ca)

## District of St. Mary's- Municipal Profile and Financial Condition Indicators Results 2019

### Financial Condition Indicators Highlights

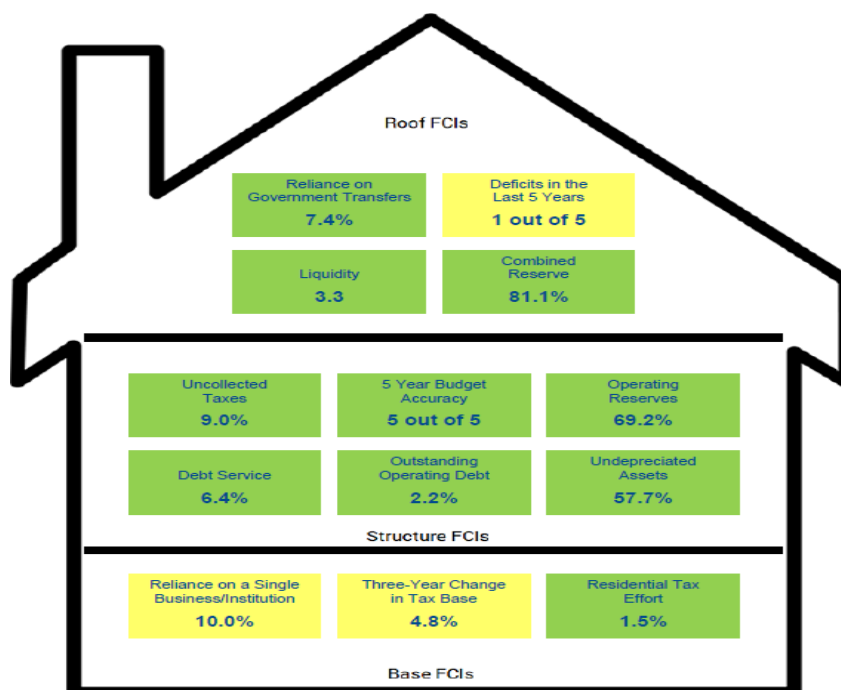
Overall Assessment Green (low risk)  
The overall Financial Conditions Index assessment for the District of St. Mary's is green (low risk). This means that, although the Municipality has a few challenges, it is considered low risk for fiscal instability.

As shown in the House model below, St Mary's FCIs are comprised

of: Low risk (green): 10 indicators  
Moderate risk (yellow): 3 indicators

High risk (red): 0 indicator

Details on the individual FCI assessments and the Municipality's specific challenges are provided below.



## 2020 MUNICIPAL NOMINATION RESULTS

### NOTICE OF POLL & ADVANCED POLL MUNICIPAL AND CSAP ELECTIONS



The Municipal and CSAP elections will be held on Saturday, October 17, 2020.

Electors may vote between 8:00am and 7:00pm on Saturday, October 17, 2020 at the Municipal Office or at the Advance Polls (see below).

POLLING PLACES	OFFICE	CANDIDATES
Dist 1: Not Applicable	COUNCILLOR	Courtney Mailman- Acclaimed
Dist 2: Municipal Office, Sherbrooke	COUNCILLOR	Michael Mosher (Incumbent) Charlene Zinck
Dist 3/5: Not Applicable	COUNCILLOR	Gregory F. Wier- Acclaimed
Dist 4: Not Applicable	COUNCILLOR	Beulah Malloy (Incumbent)- Acclaimed
Dist 6: Not Applicable	COUNCILLOR	James Fuller- Acclaimed
Dist 7: Not Applicable	COUNCILLOR	Everett G. Baker (Incumbent)- Acclaimed
Dist 8: Not Applicable	COUNCILLOR	Peggy Kaiser-Kirk (Incumbent)- Acclaimed
Not Applicable	MEMBER OF CONSEIL SCOLAIRE ACADIEN PROVINCIAL	Alfred M Benoit (Incumbent)- Acclaimed

#### **ALTERNATIVE VOTING:**

The Municipality of the District of St. Mary's will be implementing electronic voting through the use of telephone voting and internet voting. These methods of voting will be available 24 hours a day for the duration of the Election Period which runs from **12:00 noon on Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup> until 7:00pm on Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>**. There will be one central polling station at the Municipal Office, 8296 HWY 7, Sherbrooke, NS, for those residents that would like to cast a paper ballot. Details for voting electronically will be mailed to residents in September along with the residents' Voter Information Letters.

#### **ADVANCE POLL TIME & LOCATIONS FOR PAPER BALLOTS:**

Saturday, October 10, 2020 from 12:00 noon to 8:00pm and Tuesday, October 13, 2020 from 12:00 noon to 8:00pm

Location: Municipal Office, 8296 Highway 7, Sherbrooke, NS. Descriptions of the polling divisions are available at the Municipal Office or by calling 902-522-2496. *Dated at Sherbrooke, NS this 11<sup>th</sup> day of September 2020 - Marissa Jordan, Municipal Returning Officer.*



### QUESTIONS?

Who will be voting for this Election?

Only electors in District 2 (Areas of Ecum Secum, Marie Joseph & civics up to Liscombe Lodge)

Am I on the Voter's List?

Electors may find out if they are on the list of Electors by:

- Visiting the Municipal Office between 8:30a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday- Friday.
- Emailing the Municipal Returning Officer, Marissa Jordan, at [municipal.clerk@saint-marys.ca](mailto:municipal.clerk@saint-marys.ca)
- Phoning the Returning Officer at 902-522-2496

How can I vote?

- **IN PERSON**- on Advanced Poll Days or on Election Day *at the Municipal Office (8296 HWY 7, Sherbrooke)*
- **BY TELEPHONE**- 24 hours a day starting on October 10<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon until October 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm
- **BY INTERNET**- 24 hours a day starting on October 10<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon until October 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm

What if I need help voting by telephone or internet?

Please call the Help Desk line toll free at 1-877-388-0868 or locally at 902-522-2496. A kiosk with internet connection will also be available at the Municipal Office during regular business hours if an elector requires assistance with internet voting.

\*Electors in District 2 will receive a Voter Information Letter by mail the week before the Election containing their PIN for voting. Please use this to vote by telephone or internet or bring to the Polling Station to vote by paper ballot\*



Municipality of the District of St. Mary's  
Employment Opportunity  
Recplex Labourer – Seasonal/Casual Position

EMPLOYMENT  
OPPORTUNITY

The Municipality of the District of St. Mary's is seeking an individual for the position of Recplex Labourer at the St. Mary's Recplex located at 151 Old Road Hill, Sherbrooke. This seasonal/casual employment runs from late October to early April and hours will vary from 16 to 20 hours per week. Hours and length of season are dependent on Covid-19 restrictions.

The Recplex Labourer will be responsible for operating the Zamboni to clear the ice surface, cleaning of the facility and daily tasks associated with the safe and welcoming environment at the St. Mary's Recplex. The position requires an individual that can work independently with minimal supervision.

Basic math, reading and writing skills are required along with customer service skills. The successful candidate must have a clean criminal record check. A copy of the full job description is available at [www.saint-marys.ca](http://www.saint-marys.ca). The pay rate for the position will be \$15.48/hr. plus vacation pay. The Municipality appreciates all applications, however only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Deadline for applications is 12 noon Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020. Please submit applications including a cover letter and your resume with three references to: David Jordan, Public Works Facility Operator, PO Box 296 Sherbrooke, Nova Scotia, B0J 3C0. Phone: 902-522-2049, Email: [public.works@saint-marys.ca](mailto:public.works@saint-marys.ca)



Municipality of the District of St. Mary's  
Employment Opportunity  
Recplex Monitor

EMPLOYMENT  
OPPORTUNITY

The Municipality of the District of St. Mary's is seeking an individual for the position of Recplex Monitor. This seasonal/casual employment runs from early November, 2020 to late March, 2021 and hours will vary from 15 to 20 hours per week. Working under the direction of the Director of Community Development and Recreation, the Recplex Monitor will ensure that all Recplex participants are following proper protocols specifically relating to Covid-19 health and safety guidelines and that the Recplex is kept clean and sanitized before, during and after programming. The pay rate for the position will be \$12.55/hr plus vacation pay. A full job description is available at [www.saint-marys.ca](http://www.saint-marys.ca).

Only applicants with scheduled interviews will be notified. The length of term and hours are subject to change depending on Recplex Programming. Apply by Resume, Cover Letter and attached references in person at the Municipal Office in Sherbrooke, by email at [mallory.fraser@saint-marys.ca](mailto:mallory.fraser@saint-marys.ca), fax at 902-522-2309 or by mail 8296 Hwy. 7, PO Box 296 Sherbrooke, NS, B0J 3C0. Deadline to apply is 4:00pm, September 30, 2020.



Municipality of the District of St. Mary's  
Employment Opportunity  
Early Childhood Before and After School Supervisor

EMPLOYMENT  
OPPORTUNITY

The Municipality of the District of St. Mary's is seeking 1 Before and After School Program Supervisor 2020/21 academic year. Program hours will be 7:30 – 8:30 a.m. before school and 2:30 – 5:30 p.m. after school (15-25 hours/week).

General responsibilities will include participant registration, ensuring the safety of the children, cleaning, organizing and implementing age-appropriate indoor and outdoor games and activities to create an active and dynamic learning environment that will support and include all children. A full job description is available at [www.saint-marys.ca](http://www.saint-marys.ca).

Successful candidates must have a criminal record check and child abuse registry check. At least one year of working with children is preferred. First Aid and CPR, High Five Principals of Healthy Childhood Development are considered assets. Training will be provided. Additional education and experience may be considered. Please apply by sending a resume with attached references (3) and cover letter to Mallory Fraser by email – [mallory.fraser@saint-marys.ca](mailto:mallory.fraser@saint-marys.ca), fax - (902) 522-2309, or in person at St. Mary's Municipal Office at 8296 Hwy. 7 Sherbrooke, Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The deadline to apply has been extended to October 1st, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

### St. Mary's Accessibility Advisory Committee

Do you use these facilities?

- Public Library
- Municipal Office
- 16 Main Street Public Washrooms
- Pioneer Park
- Stonewall Park
- Recplex Fitness Center
- Port Bickerton Lighthouse



If you said yes, the St. Mary's Accessibility Advisory Committee is looking for your help!

What are some changes you would like to see to make these facilities more accessible to anyone and everyone!

Whether it be;

- Visual (e.g., color blindness)
- Motor/mobility (e.g., wheelchair-user concerns)
- Auditory (hearing difficulties)
- Seizures (especially photosensitive epilepsy)
- Learning/cognitive (e.g., dyslexia)

The goal is for St. Mary's Municipality to be accessible and user friendly for everyone by 2030.

If you have any suggestions please reach out to Hannah MacDonald at [planning@saint-marys.ca](mailto:planning@saint-marys.ca) or give her a call at 902-522-2607.

### St. Mary's Small Business Week

2020 Small Business Week is from October 19th – 23rd

Details on a local Small Business week event will be available soon.

This is a Business Development Bank of Canada (BDC) flagship event that celebrates entrepreneurship at the local, provincial and national levels, started in 1979 in British Columbia's Lower Fraser Valley and officially launched across Canada in 1981.

Why you should support small businesses?

- They are run by your friends, neighbors, and family members
- They are important local employers
- They contribute to the local economy and more money stays in your community
- They are the largest supporter of local groups, charities, and initiatives

### Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Law

On August 19<sup>th</sup> the Municipality conducted two successful workshops with Fathom Studios to gather input from the residents and businesses on the future look of the Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use Bylaw. A total of 27 participants as well as councillors and staff attended the workshops. In addition to the workshops, Fathom conducted a survey that received over 110 responses. Telephone interviews were also undertaken to obtain views and important planning issues within the municipality. Fathom is working on the first draft of the MPS and LUB which will be discussed with Municipal Affairs Planning staff to determine if any gaps exist that must be addressed to ensure complete compliance with provincial legislation. The first draft of the documents should be ready for Council's review by November. For additional information please go to <https://www.planstmarys.ca/> or contact Hannah MacDonald at (902) 522- 2607.

## TENDER

### REPLACING SHERBROOKE WATER TREATMENT PLANT ROOF

The Municipality of the District of St. Mary's is accepting tenders to replace the Sherbrooke Water Treatment Plant's roof. The Tender provides two options for the project: Option 1. – Asphalt Shingles Option 2. – Metal Roof. Bidders can submit bid prices for one or both options on the Bid Form. The lowest or any bid are not necessarily accepted, based on what is deemed in the best interest of the Municipality. Sealed bids can be addressed to Marvin MacDonald, CAO, Municipality of the District of St. Mary's, PO Box 296, Sherbrooke, B0J 3C0 and marked on the envelope "TENDER – Replacing Sherbrooke Water Treatment Plant Roof" or emailed to [marvin.macdonald@saint-marys.ca](mailto:marvin.macdonald@saint-marys.ca).

Tenders will be received until 4:00pm, October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 for the replacing of the Sherbrooke Water Treatment Plant roof located at 8226 Highway 7, Sherbrooke. For a full tender package, including the tender bid form, please contact the Municipality by telephone at 902-522-2049 or the package can be downloaded from our website at: [www.saint-marys.ca](http://www.saint-marys.ca). The Municipality reserves the right to accept or reject any tender based on the best interest of the Municipality.

## TENDER

### TRANSFER STATION – BURYING C&D MATERIAL

The Municipality of the District of St. Mary's is accepting tenders for the burying of the Construction & Demolition material at the Gegogan Transfer Station. Sealed bids can be submitted in person at the Municipal Office at 8296 Highway #7, by mail to PO Box 296, Sherbrooke, B0J 3C0 and marked on the envelope Tender: Transfer Station - C&D Material or by email to [marvin.macdonald@saint-marys.ca](mailto:marvin.macdonald@saint-marys.ca). Tender closing date is 4:00pm, Friday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020. For a full tender package, including the tender bid form, please contact the Municipality at 902-522- 2049 or check our website at: <https://www.saint-marys.ca/tenders-and-proposals.html>. The Municipality reserves the right to accept or reject any tender based on the best interest of the Municipality.

## Recreation News

### Stonewall Park Improvements

Please remain patient as work continues in Stonewall Park to improve the parks conditions. Municipal staff and volunteers will continue to be doing upgrades to the park in the upcoming weeks. Upgrades will include repairing all three look-offs along the trail, removing the old remaining boardwalk, clearing trails of impeding brush/trees and installing additional benches. If you or someone you know is interested in volunteering, please contact the office at 902-522-2049 for more information.

### Virtual Book Club

We are hosting a virtual book club on Friday evenings from 7–8pm. The first meeting is October 2nd. Pre-registration is required. A survey will be used to determine the first book.

### Rollerblading Afternoon

On Friday, October 9<sup>th</sup> we are hosting a rollerblading afternoon from 2:30 – 4 pm at the St. Mary's. This event is open to the community. Rollerblades will be available in various sizes and will be cleaned and sanitized prior to and after use. Participants must bring their own water bottles. Pre-registration is required.

### Girls Group

Girls Group activities will begin during the month of October. The first meeting for the group will be October 5<sup>th</sup> from 2:30 – 4 pm. The girls will be exploring the relationship between physical activity and creativity with a variety of projects and activities. The group is for girls ages 12-17 and is based on the interests of the girls in the group. Pre-registration for this program is required.

### Recplex – Return to Winter Play

We will be returning to the Recplex for winter play! The Recplex – Return to Winter Play Plan has been created to ensure that Nova Public Health Guidelines are met when participating in activities at the Recplex. All individuals who wish to participate in activities at the Recplex must review the Return to Winter Play Plan. You may obtain a copy by picking one up at the Municipal office or contacting Mallory Fraser.

Phone: 902-522-2598

Email: [mallory.fraser@saint-marys.ca](mailto:mallory.fraser@saint-marys.ca)

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### St. Mary's Fitness Centre

The St. Mary's Fitness Center was required to close in March due to Covid-19 health and safety restrictions. The Municipality is not currently in a position to re-open the Fitness Center. A decision has been made to delay the re-opening of St. Mary's Fitness Center until at least January 2021. This decision will be re-evaluated as the end of the year gets closer. The Municipality apologizes for any inconvenience & thanks you for understanding.

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### Children's Halloween Party

Join us for our annual Halloween celebration family outdoor event. Rec staff are inviting everyone in the community to gather at Pioneer Park on Saturday, October 17th from 1 – 4 pm (Rain date: October 24th). Put on your favorite costume, come play a trick and maybe find a treat! There will be games, crafts and of course there will be treats. Anyone who would like to help at the party or contribute a treat, please contact us at 902-522-2598.

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### Sinister Story Night

St. Mary's Recreation is hosting a PG 13 event. We will gather on Thursday, October 29th at 6:30 – 8: 30 pm at the fire pit at the Brigley House in Sherbrooke Village. Locals are encouraged to attend, bring a lawn chair or blanket, their scariest stories about spooks past and enjoy a treat!

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### St. Mary's House League Hockey

Planning for hockey is underway! Please check in next month's newsletter for an update!

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### Artastic Tuesday

On Tuesday, October 20th we will be hosting an in person art night from 6:30 – 8 pm. This event is open to individuals of all abilities in the community. Pre-registration for this event is required- Keep an eye on our municipal facebook for more details.

### Before and After Program

The Before and After Care Program at Saint Mary's Education Center and Academy began in September. We are now accepting registration for children in Pre-Primary to Grade Six. This program will take place Monday to Friday, the morning service being from 7:30 am – 8:30 am and the after school service being from 2:30 pm – 5:30 pm in the Kids First room. The cost for the morning service is \$5.00 per child and the cost for the after school service is \$15.00. The program will focus on play in both indoor and outdoor environments. To learn more about this program, subsidy information or if you have any questions please call (902) 522-2598 or email Mallory Fraser at [mallory.fraser@saint-marys.ca](mailto:mallory.fraser@saint-marys.ca). This program is funded through the departments of Communities, Culture & Heritage and Education and Early Childhood Education.

### Trail Blazers

This is an outdoor educational program taking place this fall on Tuesdays after school in Stonewall Park for grades P – 3 and Wednesdays for grades 4 – 7. This program will run until 4 pm, participants will return to the school for pick up. Please make sure that children are dressed appropriately for outdoor temperatures with boots, coat, hat and mittens if necessary. Please ensure you write a note for your child to stay.

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### Open Gym

This is a free play opportunity at the Recplex October 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-7:00 pm. Everyone is encouraged to come out to the Recplex and have fun being active! Bring indoor sneakers. Participants must bring their own water bottles, sharing is not permitted.

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### Recreation Survey

We are asking St. Mary's residents to take part in our short recreation survey to better understand what individuals would like to see in terms of recreational programming. Please submit the answers to the following questions via our Facebook page, mail to Municipality of the District of St. Mary's, P.O. Box 296, Sherbrooke, NS, Canada, B0J 3C0 or email to [mallory.fraser@saint-marys.ca](mailto:mallory.fraser@saint-marys.ca):

1. What types of programming would you like to see offered?
2. What barriers keep you from participating in programs?
3. What time of day would you like to see programs offered?
4. Where would you like to see programs offered?
5. Additional comments:

### The St. Mary's Curling Club

We are looking for all those people interested in curling this season. We will accommodate everyone who is keen on returning to curling this year, as well as anyone that is thinking about trying curling for the first time and any former curlers who would like to come back to the sport. The curling season this year will start on Monday, November 2nd. There will be curling at 5:30 and 7:20 pm. Everything will be sanitized between draws. The season will consist of 17 weeks of fun and exercise. We are planning to finish off the season with our annual fun weekend Bonspiel!!

#### Registration fees this season will be:

Students (13 years and up) - \$75.00

Adults - \$140.00 (\$70 for the first half)

There will be an open registration for all curlers on October 13<sup>th</sup> at the RECPLEX at 6:30 until 7:30pm. Each curler that registers and pays on that evening or before will have their name entered in a draw for \$100.00. Get active this winter and help us make this a great curling season!!! If you need more information feel free to contact: Maureen Fraser 522-2984, Nancy Chaston 779-2149 or Suzanne Gillis 522-2322

## Congregational News

### The United Church of Canada

Sundays in October

9:30am Bethany, East River St. Mary's

11:00am St. John's, Sherbrooke

7:00pm Kirk, Glenelg

Women's Bible Study... 10am Thursdays at St. John's in Sherbrooke! Will resume October 1. Following COVID-19 guidelines.

Men's Group... 7pm Thursdays at St. John's in Sherbrooke! Will resume October 1. Following COVID-19 guidelines.

Combined Junior/Senior Youth Group Gathering (Grades 6-12)... 7:30-9pm, Friday, October 2 at Kirk.in Glenelg! Outdoor Campfire and games. Following COVID-19 guidelines.

Jumpstart Sunday... back to school, back to work, back to church! An outdoor, combined service with communion will be held at Kirk Memorial United Church in Glenelg, 2pm on Sunday, October 4! Drive -In or bring a chair and sit out on the lawn! There will be activities for children, special music, ice cream and more! Following COVID-19 guidelines.

Thanksgiving Sunday... October 11. Monetary donations or non-perishable food items will be received for St. Mary's Food Bank. Also personal care kit toiletry items for St. Mary's Hospital.

JAM Club – Jesus And Me (Our Charge's Program for children and all ages Sunday School)... 2pm, every second Sunday at Kirk... will resume Sunday, October 18. This year's theme: God's Big Top! Following COVID-19 guidelines.

### Bethel Community Church, Lochiel Lake

Bethel Community Church

13692 Highway 7, Lochiel Lake

Sunday worship services: 11:00

Social Distancing guidelines are followed.

Contact Pastor Freda Steeves

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

### Indian Harbour Lake Pentecostal Church

We are having weekly services using Zoom. Check out our Facebook page for service times. Please email us for an invite link. You can also view the services on our YouTube page. Just search for IHL Pentecostal Church.

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/ihlpentecostalchurch>

Email: [ihlpentecostalchurch@gmail.com](mailto:ihlpentecostalchurch@gmail.com)

Phone at [902-318-0066](tel:902-318-0066) ask for Sean Ashe.

### Catholic Church

All services are cancelled until further notice.

### Baptist Congregation of Port Bickerton Port Hilford & Sonora

We will be conducting Facebook Live services for the month of October. These live videos will take place every Sunday at 11am. The online services will continue until shutdowns due to Covid-19 are lifted. Call Pastor Ron for more information or any questions. Rev. Ron Ford, 902-522-2805 (Home) 902-318-3488 (mobile)



# Community Services

## Kids First in the St. Mary's Area

Tuesdays – We are looking to see if there is any interest in a 3+ drop-off program this fall? Children must be turning three by December 31, 2020. To register please call/text 902-870-0218 or inbox St. Mary's Kids First page. This program would take place on Tuesdays from 9:30-11:30am. A healthy snack will be provided. Please use the Memorial Place entrance. Funding available for travel if requested.

Wednesdays – Parent/Tot Drop-in from 9:30-11:30am at the Kids First room at St. Mary's Education Centre/Academy. All parents/caregivers and children age birth to six years are welcome. Due to Covid 19 restrictions we are asking participants to register beforehand. The space is limited to 10 people. Please call/text 902-870-7437 or inbox the Facebook page. Funding available for travel if requested. Please use Memorial Place entrance.

The Guysborough County Prenatal Program is open to all women expecting a baby who live in Guysborough County. Self-referrals are welcome! Call Emilie at 902-533-3881 or toll free at 1-888-533-3881 for more information.

The Parenting Journey Program is a support for parents with children up to 16 years. Self-referrals are welcome. For more information call Paula at 902-870-7437 or email [parentingjourney@kids1st.ca](mailto:parentingjourney@kids1st.ca)

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## St. Mary's District Food Bank

Please contact 902-833-2920 if you know of a need in the community. Confidentiality is strictly upheld. Boxes to receive food donations are located at Clover Farm and at the St. Mary's Hospital. Please check the "best before" date. Cash donations can be sent to St. Mary's District Food Bank, P.O. Box 102, Sherbrooke, NS, B0J 3C0.

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## MacMillan's Depot Recyclables Pick Up

MacMillan's Depot will be doing a recyclable collection Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. Collection will take place starting at 10am at the St. Mary's Recplex parking lot.

## GALA (Guysborough County Adult Learning Association)

During Covid 19, have you been thinking about upgrading your skills? Registration for GALA in-house and online learning will be starting soon. Please call for details. 902-533-4252 (GALA office) or 902-783-2360 (Louise – District St. Mary's Instructor)

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## Sherbrooke Lions Christmas Daddies

From now on the Lions Christmas Daddies program will only cover families with children that are in need. This is partly due to the reduced fund raising opportunities because of the Covid-19 virus.

We encourage any families with children to contact a lions member if they require assistance for Christmas 2020.

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## Eastern Counties Regional Library

Available Now: Library by Appointment. The Sherbrooke Library is now offering appointments to Library members who wish to visit the library. As Sherbrooke is a rural community where many users have to drive to get to the library, ECRL is offering scheduled access to ensure that those who wish to visit the branch can do so without being impacted negatively by physical distancing requirements. Library by Appointment will allow the Sherbrooke Library Assistant to serve members and ensure that the capacity of the library facility is kept to a safe level to maintain physical distancing. As of August 19, members of the public can call the Sherbrooke Library at (902) 522-2180 to book an appointment. During a library appointment, members will be asked to wear a mask, maintain proper physical distancing, and sanitize their hands before using the computer or browsing the collection.

To ensure safe physical distancing, the number of visitors at Sherbrooke Library will be limited to a maximum of 3 people at a time. Effective September 21, the length of each library appointment has been extended to 1 hour. Borrow by Mail and Curbside Pickup services are still available to those who wish to use them. Staff will be happy to offer assistance over the phone.

To learn more about Library by Appointment and other library services, call the library at 902-522-2180, email [sherbrooke@ecrl.ca](mailto:sherbrooke@ecrl.ca) or visit [ecrl.library.ns.ca/sherbrooke](http://ecrl.library.ns.ca/sherbrooke).

### Community Health Board- Call for Wellness Fund Proposal 2020-2021

This is for non-profit groups/ organizations to address the Community Health Board (CHBs) Health Plan priorities. Priority will be given to projects that use population health-based approach to address the social determinants of health at the population level, e.g. projects related to food security, housing, transportation, social isolation and community resiliency. Proposals for projects in the amount of up to \$10,000 will be accepted. Deadlines for Proposals: October 15, 2020. For more information visit : [www.communityhealthboard.ns.ca/wellness.funds](http://www.communityhealthboard.ns.ca/wellness.funds) or contact your local Health Board. The Guysborough County Community Health Board are looking for new recruits to join their volunteer team. If interested, check the Community Health Board online or call Dorothy Bennett at 902-867-4500 ext 4272.

### SHOPS Update & Annual Meeting

Sherbrooke Opportunities Society or SHOPS has submitted a reopening plan template to the Department of Community Services and the School for approval. As with all other businesses or organizations, this takes much thought and care to the health and safety of our participants and staff. We have decided to implement a three-phase plan that will start with a 6-week online learning program to include two Zoom sessions per week. We provided each participant with their own tablet during Covid-19 and these Zoom sessions became our way of communicating with them. This will allow us to monitor how things proceed at the school before bringing participants back to the SHOPS room in person. If there are any new participants interested in joining SHOPS please contact us. There will be no room rentals, catering, laundry services or online auction until further notice. If anyone has recyclables to donate please call Keith Gallant at 328-4516; Lisa MacDonald at 522-2079 or Kim Horton at 867-7713. Please no drop offs at SHOPS until further notice. We appreciate all donations at any time and our mailing address is PO Box 124, Sherbrooke, NS, B0J 3C0.

Our TOONIE DRAW resumed on Sept. 9th so don't forget to play your toonie by 4 pm each Tuesday. Please remember to have correct change so that businesses that have the toonie draw boxes on location do not have to make change for you. Our ANNUAL MEETING will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 28th at 6:30 in the SHOPS room. Please bring a mask.

We appreciate your continued support and look forward to returning to normal programming as soon as possible.



Are you interested in starting your own business?

THE CBDC Guysborough County can help...

- Need financing for your business? Loans available to any legally operated business in Guysborough County. Some sectors include, fishing, trucking, retail, manufacturing, service, accommodations, food service, etc.
- Business loans up to a maximum of \$450,000 with flexible interest rates starting at prime plus 2% with flexible re-payment schedules.
- Loans available for business start-up, expansion, renovations, line of credit, etc.
- Quick approval Micro Loans available up to \$10,000.
- Business start-up information and counseling available.
- Self-Employment Benefits Program -. (SEB) - Qualifying participants can receive benefits and training opportunities during business startup.

Guysborough County Community Business Development Corporation Limited, PO Box 199, 46 Main Street, Guysborough County, NS B0H 1N0, Guysborough Office: phone: (902)533-2770 fax: (902) 533-2016, Email: [wanda.macdonald@cbdc.ca](mailto:wanda.macdonald@cbdc.ca)

# Community News & Events

## Goshen Community and Recreation Centre

Bargain shop: Open every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 1:00 to 3:00.

Contacts for shop: Laurie Ann- 902-783-2291 or 902-783-2369.

Game day is every Wednesday 1:00 to 3:00.

Donation of bottles are welcome.

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## Stillwater Community Centre

The Centre will remain closed and all card play is suspended until further notice.

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## Indian Harbour Lake-Jordanville Community Centre

The Centre will remain closed and all events will be postponed until further notice.

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## Port Bickerton Community Centre

Port Bickerton Community Centre has closed all events and meetings until further notice.

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## Royal Canadian Legion Branch 86, Liscomb

R.C.L Branch #86 Liscomb- next general meeting October 6<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

Due to COVID-19 Branch 86 is open on a restricted schedule and is following the guidelines for personal safety. Masks are required at all times in the hall and social distancing rules apply.

### Cards:

Auction 45- Thursday's at 8 and cribbage on Saturday's.

These activities will continue as long as there are no safety concerns.

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## Liscomb \*TOPS\*

Resuming Meetings on Tuesdays

Weigh-In, 5:30 to 6.

Meeting, 6 to 6:30. \*\*MASKS are Required\*\*Hope to see regulars back and some new faces. Anyone needing help with their weight, in a healthy, friendly safe environment is welcome. Meetings will be at the Bayview Baptist church, Liscomb.

Need more information? Call 902-779-2255 or 902-779-2677.

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## St. Mary's ATV Club

If anyone has questions about the on-going "Shoulder-of the road PILOT PROJECT" – Sherbrooke site, you may call St. Mary's ATV Club President, Jim Kirk at (902)364-2574. If you require more information on the rules and regulations they are available at the Municipal Office in Sherbrooke. You may also go to the All-Terrain Vehicle Association of Nova Scotia (ATVANS) website at:

<https://atvans.wildapricot.org>

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## Port Bickerton Lighthouse

We regret to announce that the Lighthouse Interpretive Center will remain closed for the 2020 season. The hiking trails will remain open for public use. Please practice social distancing in accordance with provincial health requirements.

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## The St. Mary's Shooters Association

The Summer shooting program remains unsure due to DNR range being closed due to COVID-19 and range repairs. Canadian Firearms Safety Courses are still on hold. New members are also welcome please call SMSA President, John Day at 902-783-2820

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## St. Mary's District Lions

St Mary's District Lions will be hosting a Chicken BBQ

At the Lions Hall in Sherbrooke -Takeout only

October 17th from 3-5 pm

(Pre-orders only until Oct 10<sup>th</sup>)

Each meal will include half chicken, baked potato, coleslaw, and a roll for \$15.00

Contact information for orders:

Nancy-Lee Chaston-902-779-2149

Alice Mailman-902-318-1223

E-transfer available or drop off cash payment in envelope at Sherbrooke Garage before October 10<sup>th</sup>.

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The St. Mary's District Lions Club would like the public to know that the Lion's hall is available for rent.

If you are interested in renting the hall please call Donnie Fraser or David Smith for further details. Covid-19 guidelines for hall rental must be followed.

Please contact Donnie Fraser at 902-522-2881.



**Municipality of the District of St. Mary's**  
**8296 Hwy #7 Sherbrooke, NS**  
**PROPERTY TAX SALE BY SEALED TENDER**

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the Municipal Government Act, Part 6 Section 143(4), that the Municipality of the District of St. Mary's is inviting sealed tenders for the following property:

1. **AAN# 02084341, Assessed to Clement Fleet**, 2020 Resource Assessment \$2,500  
PID # 35120336, 1659 Hwy #7, Marie Joseph, Lot 1, Containing 5,000 sq. feet, more or less, land only  
**Minimum Bid: \$3,500**, Non-Redeemable
  
2. **AAN #00991082, PID #37528387, Assessed to Clara J Christofferson**, 168 Hwy 7, Ecum Secum, 2020 Assessed Value \$27,400 (Residential Taxable), Containing 2.0 acres, more or less, land and dwelling. **Minimum Bid: \$2,500**, Non-Redeemable

For a more detailed description of the property, please contact the Municipality of St. Mary's at 8296 Hwy #7, Sherbrooke, NS, 902-522-2049.

Tenders shall be submitted in a sealed envelope, addressed to the undersigned and shall be clearly marked on the outside of the envelope "**PROPERTY TAX SALE BY TENDER**". Bidders shall complete the "Tender Form" for the property. The Tender form is available from the Municipality of St. Mary's by telephone 902-522-2049 or by email [marian.fraser@saint-marys.ca](mailto:marian.fraser@saint-marys.ca).

**Tenders will be accepted until 9:00 am on Wednesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020.**

**Terms:** Bidder must meet the minimum bid set per property; bid price includes HST (if applicable) and Certificate of Sale. It is the bidder's responsibility to cover the preparation and costs associated with the Tax Deed. The accepted tender price must be paid within three full business days after being notified of acceptance. Failure to pay the accepted tender price within three full business days will result in the tender being awarded to the next highest bidder above the minimum bid. The Municipality of the District of St. Mary's will accept cash, money order, debit, certified cheque or lawyer's trust cheque.

**Faxed and/or electronically submitted tenders are not acceptable and will be not considered.**

Property will be sold "as is where is". Although the Municipality of St. Mary's has made all reasonable efforts to confirm ownership, it does not guarantee title or boundaries of the aforementioned property. Prospective purchasers are responsible to conduct their own searches and surveys or other investigations.

The Municipality reserves the right to reject any or all tenders, not necessarily accept the highest tender, or to accept any tender which it may consider to be in its best interest. The Municipality also reserves the right to waive formality, informality or technicality in any tender. Tenders must be received by a qualified bidder. Immediate family or business affiliates of the property owner are not considered a qualified bidder.

**Tender Opening:** Tenders will be opened Wednesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00am in the Council Chambers at 8296 Hwy 7 Sherbrooke, NS, if you wish to view the opening attendees must register due to COVID19 restrictions. Once opened, tenders will be deferred to the COTW for a formal decision and awarding. Formal notice will be given Thursday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020 and the successful bidder will have until 4:00 pm on Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 to pay in full.

Marian Fraser, BBA  
Director of Finance/Treasurer



## PROPERTY TAX SALE BY SEALED TENDER

### INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the undersigned up to **9:00am, Wednesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020** for the following:

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Tender Forms and Specifications: must be obtained from the Finance Department at 8296 Hwy #7, Sherbrooke, NS B0J 3C0, phone (902) 522-2049 or fax (902)522-2309.

Sealed Bids: Tenders must be sealed and designated **PROPERTY TAX SALE BY TENDER** and returned to the Municipality of St. Mary's, PO Box 296, 8296 Hwy #7 Sherbrooke, NS B0J 3C0.

**NOTE: FAXED/ELECTRONIC TENDERS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE AND WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**

The Municipality of the District of St. Mary's reserves the right to reject any or all tenders or to accept any tender or part thereof considered to be in its best interest.

Marian Fraser, BBA  
Director of Finance/Treasurer

Dated: September 16, 2020



**TENDER FORM**  
Property Tax Sale by Sealed Tender

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS:

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\_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE#: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

ASSESSMENT # \_\_\_\_\_ BID AMOUNT \_\_\_\_\_ (INCLUDES HST)

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**Summary Instructions for Sealed Tenders**

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1. One tender form per assessment number must be submitted
2. The Municipality of the District of St. Mary's makes no representations or warranties to any purchaser regarding the fitness, geophysical or environmental suitability of the land(s) offered for sale for any particular use are being sold on an "as is" basis land.
3. Tax Sales do not always clear up defects in title, the tax deed only conveys the interest of those assessed.
4. Section 144(2) of the NS MGA Purchase of Tax Sale Property by Municipal Employees or the Spouses is not permitted.
5. The successful bidder will be given three full business days after the awarding of the tender to pay amount in full.
6. Faxed/electronic tenders will not be considered.
7. The Municipality reserves the right to reject any or all tenders, not necessarily accept the highest tender, or to accept any tender which it may consider to be in its best interest.



**Solid Waste Fall Collection Schedule**  
*Questions? Call Eastern Shore Cartage 1-800-261-0372*



<b>Tuesday ZONE 1</b>	<b>Wednesday ZONE 2</b>	<b>Thursday ZONE 3</b>
<b>September 8</b> Garbage & Recyclables	<b>September 9</b> Garbage & Recyclables	<b>September 10</b> Garbage & Recyclables
<b>September 15</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item	<b>September 16</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item	<b>September 17</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item
<b>September 22</b> Garbage & Recyclables	<b>September 23</b> Garbage & Recyclables	<b>September 24</b> Garbage & Recyclables
<b>September 29</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item	<b>September 30</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item	<b>October 1</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item
<b>October 6</b> Recyclables	<b>October 7</b> Recyclables	<b>October 8</b> Recyclables
<b>October 13</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item	<b>October 14</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item	<b>October 15</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item
<b>October 20</b> Recyclables	<b>October 21</b> Recyclables	<b>October 22</b> Recyclables
<b>October 27</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item	<b>October 28</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item	<b>October 29</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item
<b>November 3</b> Recyclables	<b>November 4</b> Recyclables	<b>November 5</b> Recyclables
<b>November 10</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item	<b>November 11</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item	<b>November 12</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item
<b>November 17</b> Recyclables	<b>November 18</b> Recyclables	<b>November 19</b> Recyclables
<b>November 24</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item	<b>November 25</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item	<b>November 26</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item
<b>December 1</b> Recyclables	<b>December 2</b> Recyclables	<b>December 3</b> Recyclables
<b>December 8</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item	<b>December 9</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item	<b>December 10</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item
<b>December 15</b> Recyclables	<b>December 16</b> Recyclables	<b>December 17</b> Recyclables
<b>December 22</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item	<b>December 23</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item	<b>December 24</b> Garbage and 1 Bulky Item
<b>December 29</b> Recyclables	<b>December 30</b> Recyclables	<b>December 31</b> Recyclables

**\*Please note starting October 13<sup>th</sup>, there is a limit of 8 bags of garbage per week\***

**ZONE 1:** New Chester, Ecum Secum, Liscomb to Sherbrooke including Sonora and Old Road Hill.

**ZONE 2:** East Loon Lake, Smithfield, Denver, Newtown, Glenelg Church Rd, Aspen, to Goshen to Borneo Rd inclusive.

**ZONE 3:** Hwy 211, IHL to Port Bickerton, Stillwater, West Melrose, Lead Minds Rd, to Waternish inclusive.

# Municipal Calendar

October 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Spin Class 5:00 pm Open Gym 6:00 pm Liscomb-Auction 45's 8:00 pm	2 Virtual Book Club 7:00 pm	3
4	5 T-Ball & Softball Skills 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm Girl's Group 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm Pickleball-Adults/Kids 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	6 Trailblazers- P-3 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm Liscombe TOPS 5:30 pm	7 Parent/Tot Drop-in 9:30 am Goshen Game Day 1:00 pm Trail Blazers- Grades 4- 7 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm Spin Class 5:00 pm Open Gym 6:00 pm COTW Meeting 7:00 pm	8 Spin Class 5:00 pm Open Gym 6:00 pm Liscomb-Auction 45's 8:00 pm	9 Rollerblading Afternoon 2:30 pm	10 MacMillan's Mobile Depot 10:00 am Advanced Poll- Municipal Office 12:00 pm - 8:00 pm
11	12 Holiday-Office & Transfer Station Closed 9:00 am T-Ball & Softball Skills 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm Pickleball-Adults/Kids 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	13 Advanced Poll- Municipal Office 12:00 pm - 8:00 pm Liscombe TOPS 5:30 pm	14 Parent/Tot Drop-in 9:30 am Goshen Game Day 1:00 pm Spin Class 5:00 pm Open Gym 6:00 pm Council Meeting 7:00 pm	15 Liscomb-Auction 45's 8:00 pm	16	17 Election Day- Municipal Office 8:00 am - 7:00 pm Halloween Celebration Outdoor Event 1:00 pm St. Mary's Lion's- Chicken BBQ 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm
18	19	20 Liscombe TOPS 5:30 pm Artastic Tuesday 6:30 pm	21 Parent/Tot Drop-in 9:30 am Goshen Game Day 1:00 pm	22 Liscomb-Auction 45's 8:00 pm	23	24 MacMillan's Mobile Depot 10:00 am
25	26	27 Liscombe TOPS 5:30 pm	28 Parent/Tot Drop-in 9:30 am Goshen Game Day 1:00 pm SHOPS Annual Meeting 6:30 pm Inaugural Council Meeting 7:00 pm	29 Sinister Story Night 6:30 pm Liscomb-Auction 45's 8:00 pm	30	31