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Mayor's Message

Spring is here, and right on time. I don't mind telling you that each year I welcome its arrival with more excitement. With that said, however, I'm also still coming to terms with getting old(er). Winter 2025-26 delivered in a meaningful way, which was good news to those choosing to embrace the season. It arrived earlier than previous years, delivered somewhere between 40-60% more snow events and held low winter temperatures much more consistently throughout the season. To many of us, this past winter was reminiscent of more traditional Pictou County winters of yester year.



I extend a big thanks to our public works team for its steady commitment to keeping our roads, sidewalks, and public areas clear and accessible. Despite the greater toll on our resources to contend with a heavier winter, our infrastructure held strong with relatively few unplanned repair and maintenance events. Although this is easily overlooked and not something routinely celebrated, I think this is a good opportunity to mention how important it is to plan and budget for continued steady progress updating our town roads and pipes. Our stellar town is in its 137th year and this is something our town council, administration, and public works team continue to do well. It goes a long way to help minimize service interruptions for all of us while also ensuring that capacity is maintained to enable us to grow and continue welcoming more families and businesses to our town.

Town council, together with finance and administration, will be finalizing our 2026-27 budget over the coming days. I am encouraged with council's demonstrated ability to work together and effectively deliberate on town business over the past year. Stellarton is making progress on achieving the strategic goals set in 2025. Business development continues forward, we are deliberating on enhancements to recreation strategy and resources, and we are developing the next steps to address concerns our community recently raised via the Stellarton Deer Survey. I am also pleased with the open and productive dialogue had regularly with our neighbouring mayors and warden concerning shared services and regional matters.

Over the coming weeks, please stand by for communications regarding next steps in water metering, as town staff continue with 3rd party consultation and engagement with the Nova Scotia Regulatory and Appeals Board. Thank you for your patience, as this has been a lengthy undertaking since the Town's decision to install water meters in 2022.

Honoured to be your mayor, I continue to be committed to helping foster better connection and continued growth across our community.

Yours Truly,
Darren

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IMPORTANT DATES

Apr. 2 - Police Commission
Apr. 13 - Council
Apr. 27 - Committee of the Whole
Apr. 30 - Spring Cleanup
May 7 - Police Commission
May 11 - Council
May 18 - Victoria Day (ADMIN OFFICE CLOSED)
May 25 - Committee of the Whole
May 28 - Town Leaf Collection
Jun. 4 - Police Commission
Jun. 8 - Council
Jun. 11 - Davis Day
Jun. 22 - Committee of the Whole



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Town Hall Updates

Online Bill Payments

Do you pay your water and tax bills through online banking? Make sure you're selecting the correct account!

There are separate account numbers for both water and taxes – even for the same property. Both of these account numbers need to be set up as a payee, otherwise you may not be paying for the bills you intend to.

Plow Damage

Plow damage can be reported to Town Hall at 902-752-2114. You will be added to the list of properties that require attention.



National Police Week is May 10-16, 2026!

This week long campaign encourages increased awareness between police and the communities they serve. This year's theme is: Committed to Serve Together!



Stay tuned for more info!

Fire Department

Burn Restrictions

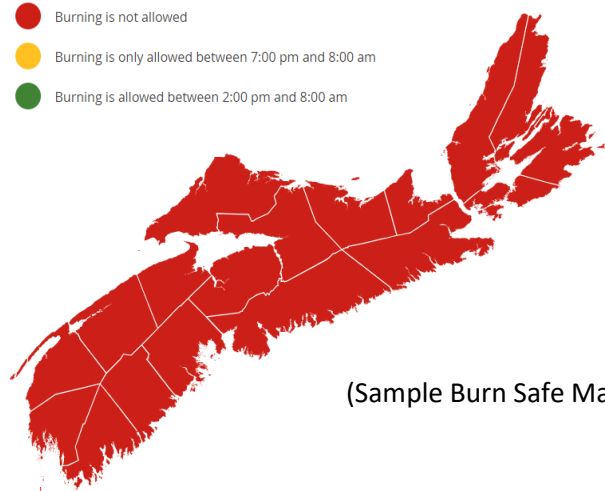
As we move into our warmer and dryer seasons, residents are reminded that there may be burning restrictions in place.

During wildfire risk season (March 15 to October 15), no domestic brush burning or campfires are allowed between 8am and 2pm, except industrial permits.

Burn restrictions are updated daily at 2pm and can be found online at: www.novascotia.ca/burnsafe

Legend

- Burning is not allowed
- Burning is only allowed between 7:00 pm and 8:00 am
- Burning is allowed between 2:00 pm and 8:00 am



(Sample Burn Safe Map)

Residents must also follow municipal by-laws for fire burning, available at Town Hall or online:

https://t.ly/1C_E1

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