

# Town Hall News



## Council Edgewater Site Visit



Council recently visited Edgewater Street to check on the project's progress and meet with the Construction, Engineering, and Project

Management teams.

The visit was a chance to talk more about what defines an active transportation route or multi-use trail, and to look at possible small design changes, such as slightly wider medians in some areas to allow for more trees and traffic-calming features along Edgewater between the trail and the road.

It was a valuable opportunity to see where community ideas might be included, and to consider how these changes fit with engineering standards, construction plans, funding rules, and overall costs.

Council appreciate all the feedback received and are working quickly to keep the project on track and deliver the best outcome for the community.

## Green Space & Accessibility

The Edgewater Landscaping Working Group met to review design updates and plan for Spring. In August, Council approved a draft plan by Landscape Architect, Gordon Ratcliffe, created with ideas from community members and partners. Staff and engineers have been incorporating this plan into the construction design for completion this Fall. The group discussed planting, benches, picnic tables, bike racks, and signage, thanking everyone for their great community input.



## Invitation to Serve



We currently have openings for volunteers on the Planning Advisory Committee and Heritage Advisory Committee.

Serving on a committee of Council is an excellent way to voice your opinion on a topic that is important to you.

To learn more about these committees and how to apply, visit the Committees page of the Town's website [townofmahonebay.ca/committees](http://townofmahonebay.ca/committees).

## Town Hall Closure



Town Hall will be closed on November 13<sup>th</sup>. This will be a dedicated training day for the Town staff team.

Through in-depth Joint Occupational Health and Safety training, Town staff will gain the knowledge and tools needed to foster a safe, supportive, and accountable work environment. This includes best practices in communication, confidentiality, safe work procedures, enforcement of standard and effective response and follow-up for workplace incidents.

A well-prepared team builds a safer community and we are committed to continuing our investment in safety, skill-building, and leadership for our Town.

## Winter Parking

Now that it's November, Public Works is preparing for winter weather. We want to remind you that vehicles that obstruct snow clearing and/or winter road maintenance are in violation of the Motor Vehicle Act and are subject to being ticketed or towed at the owner's expense.



## Mahone Bay's War Dead

Midshipman William Archibald Palmer  
Corporal Charles H Slauenwhite  
Private Bruce Malcolm Cameron  
Private Thomas E. Norse  
Private William Enos Norse  
Private Thomas Edward Hammond  
Private Herbert Gladstone Foster Reeves  
Private Baxter Harris Veinotte  
Private Charles Alexander Veinotte  
Private Gordon Victor Mackie  
Private Clark D Thompson  
Sapper Benjamin Wagner  
Private Earl Alexander Rost  
Private Ward Maxiner Mader  
Lance Corporal William Harold Rhuland  
Private Everette Wentzell  
Private Emery Halliburton Rost  
Private Avery Pearlie Veinotte  
Lance Corporal Halton Truman Dorey  
Private Irwin St. Clair Adams  
Gunner George Allan Veinotte  
Private Russell Reginald Westhaver  
Lance Corporal Dennis Jeremiah Barry  
Private Avard Reginald Mader  
Private Edwin Reginald Langille

QM Sergeant William Leroy Joudrey  
Private Murray Eisnor  
Gunner Maurice Benjamin Hamm  
Private George Willard Davis  
Surgeon Lewis Nelson Morrison  
4th Eng Officer Owen Havelock Vaughan  
Flight Sergeant Arthur Henry Winters  
Sgt Arnold Wentworth Hyson  
Private Everett Rupert James  
Private Dennis Aubrey Rhuland  
Private Larry Willoughby Veinotte  
Private Paul St. Clair Hiltz  
Private Cecil Clayton Fancy  
Private Francis Paul Hirtle  
Private Charles Edwin Jodrey  
Private Vernon Benjamin Ramey  
Able Seaman Maurice C. Wynacht  
Flying Officer William Burton Ernst  
Sapper Frederick Loraine Strum  
Gunner William Ralph Zwicker  
Corporal Robert Earl Baker  
Private Frederick Morris Colin Bruhm  
Gunner Weldon Eugene Barkhouse  
Private Cecil Robert Ellsworth Fancy



### **We Will Remember Them**

## Message from MB Legion

The Mahone Bay Legion will be selling Wreaths & Crosses for Remembrance Day until Monday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. We will not be available on the morning of the 11<sup>th</sup> for wreath pick up.



Drop in Sunday to Monday between 2:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. or Tuesday to Saturday between 1:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Wreaths are \$65 and Crosses are \$60. Cash or Cheque only. Please indicate at the bar what you would like read at the Cenotaph.

The Remembrance Day Ceremony on November 11<sup>th</sup> at the Cenotaph will begin at 10:45am. The ceremony will be followed by a luncheon at the Mahone Bay Legion on Pond Street.

## Thank you!

A big thank you to the Mahone Bay Signature Festivals Group for all of their hard work organizing the 2025 Scarecrow Festival!



## Winter Preparedness



As winter weather approaches, we should all take some time to look at the Emergency Preparedness website.

REMO (Regional Emergency Management Organization) has a website with great local information on how to prepare for a storm, what to do in case of emergency, and to keep you up to date in a local emergency.

Go to [lunenburgremo.ca](http://lunenburgremo.ca) to check out this great local resource.

## Special Collection

On Monday, November 17th, leaf and yard waste may be placed curbside for special collection.

Leaf and yard waste can be placed in your green cart, or in kraft yard waste bags. Branches and limbs of a maximum of 3' long and 2" in diameter may be tied or bagged in manageable bundles.



## Christmas shopping support local



It's hard to believe that the holidays are just around the corner! The Town of Mahone Bay would like to encourage and remind residents of the importance of shopping locally!

By choosing to purchase locally, you are not only supporting a neighbour, but are also reducing your carbon footprint. Online shopping typically results in more packaging and more than twice the amount of CO2 emissions as traditional shopping.

Let's all do our part to help make this Christmas a green one!

## Foodbank

Mid November we will start collecting items for the Mahone

Bay & Area Food Bank at Town Hall. Bring in your non-perishable items to help local families over the holidays.



### SIGN UP TODAY

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## Volunteer Summit

Join other local volunteers for a day of interactive work-shops and group sessions, keynote speaker, networking opportunities, lunch, door prizes and a chance to win \$500 for your organization!

When? Saturday, November 8, 8:30am-4:00pm

Where? NSCC, Bridgewater

Visit [www.modl.ca/volunteersummit.ca](http://www.modl.ca/volunteersummit.ca) for more information. Questions? Call 902-275-3490 or email [recreation@chester.ca](mailto:recreation@chester.ca).



## Congratulations Mahone Bay United!



The Town congratulates Mahone Bay United on winning the 2025 Recreation Nova Scotia Event and Program Excellence Award!

Nominated by the Lunenburg - Queens recreation community, this award celebrates the hard work, passion, and teamwork that make MBU such a special club offering fun, affordable, and inclusive soccer programs for both youth and adults.

Juliette Kouwenberg-Haughn, Tim Merry, and Francis Kangata accepted the award recently during the Recreation Nova Scotia Conference. This achievement also highlights the amazing community spirit and volunteers who make Mahone Bay such a great place to live.

We're so fortunate to have this incredible club rooted in our town, and as proud partners, we look forward to seeing MBU continue to grow from strength to strength.

## Upcoming Dates

Nov 11 - Office Closed (Remembrance Day)  
Nov 12 - Climate & Environment Committee  
Nov 12 - Heritage Advisory Committee  
Nov 13 - Office Closed (staff training)  
Nov 17 - Special Collection - Leaf & Yard Waste  
Nov 17 - Watershed Advisory Committee  
Nov 20 - Asset Management Committee  
Nov 20 - Audit & Finance Committee  
Nov 24 - Policy & Strategy Committee  
Nov 27 - Council Meeting (7pm)

## Water Restriction Order - Creating a Conservation Mindset

Our lake is now about a meter below normal with little to no water flowing out. This isn't just a seasonal dip, it's a serious challenge for both our community and the downstream ecosystem. The Department of Environment and Climate Change normally requires a minimum flow to protect ecological health, but right now we must prioritize drinking water.

It's a difficult balance, reminding us how closely our homes and environment are connected. To protect the supply, the Town has suspended its usual fall system flushing. Only limited, localized flushing is happening to maintain water quality, and Public Works is recycling as much water as possible during maintenance work.

Despite our summer conservation campaign, water use didn't drop much. A Water Restriction Order was issued in September with no lawn or garden watering, car or outdoor washing, or pool filling allowed. We're focusing on cooperation first, with warnings before fines or temporary shutoffs.

The drought across the province caught everyone off guard. Even with some rain expected, we'd need an entire season's worth to restore lake levels. Council has now approved a hydrological study building on earlier recommendations that may include damming the lake. We're also working with the Clean Foundation to support upstream projects that help the lake recharge faster, and experts will soon review the shoreline for better water retention practices.

For now, careful management and community conservation are key. Small daily choices make a big difference: keep a pitcher of cold water in the fridge, turn off the tap while brushing teeth and soaping hands, shorten your showers, if it's yellow let it mellow, and wash only full loads of laundry and dishes.

Consider contacting your MLA about provincial support for water conservation and watershed recovery. Together, we can build a lasting conservation mindset - protecting our lake, our community, and our future.

**Ask yourself this: Could your household manage on only 4 litres of water per person per day?**

**Many of your neighbours just outside of town, living with low or dry wells, are managing thanks to the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg's Temporary Water Relief Program, which provides 4 litres of bottled water per person per day (up to four x 4L jugs per household) for residents experiencing clean water shortages. Let's act now to avoid reaching that point in our own community.**



**Stay up to date on Mandatory Water Restrictions by signing up for CodeRED. Visit the home page at [townofmahonebay.ca](http://townofmahonebay.ca) to sign up today!**