



Town of
WHITCHURCH-STOUFFVILLE
"Country Lifestyle Close to the City"

Town Office: 905-640-1900 OR 905-895-2423
Museum: 905-727-8954 OR 1-888-290-0337

www.townofws.com

Lebovic Leisure Centre: 905-642-PLAY(7529)
Public Library: 905-642-READ(7323)

NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council Chamber, 37 Sandiford Drive, 4th Floor
Tuesday January 15th at 3 p.m.
Regular CIC Meeting followed by Council

Tuesday January 22nd at 7:00 p.m.
Public Hearing Meeting

Tuesday January 29th at 9:00 a.m.
Budget Committee Meeting
followed by Special Council

At the January 29th meeting, Council will review the 2008 Operating and Capital Budgets as well as the Five Year Capital Forecast. Council will also consider an amendment to 2007 User Fees By-law.

Any comments and/or questions may be forwarded to: Marc J. Pourvahidi, Director of Finance/Treasurer 905-640-1910 ext. 245 or email marc.pourvahidi@townofws.com.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

REMOVAL OF SNOW & ICE FROM SIDEWALKS

The Town is requesting your cooperation to clear away snow and ice from sidewalks abutting your property. Town regulations provide that snow and ice be removed from sidewalks within 12 hours after a snowfall.

If you are disabled or over 65 years of age and physically unable to shovel snow and have no other able bodied persons living in the home, please contact Public Works at 905-640-1910 ext 261. or 905-895-5299.

COMMUNITY LEAD TESTING PROGRAM

The Town is seeking assistance from residents to meet new provincial water quality legislation. The legislation requires that private residential plumbing and municipal water systems be tested for the presence of lead.

Testing is to take place in both the communities of Stouffville and Ballantrae/Musselman's Lake and residents are encouraged to take part in the Town's volunteer lead testing program. Priority will be given to older homes which may have private lead water services or plumbing. This program will involve testing tap water twice a year in the volunteer's home. All sampling will be undertaken by identified Town waterworks staff members.

Although the Town has a long-standing practice to replace lead pipes within its distribution system, there may be some privately-owned lead pipes connected to the Town's water system which homeowners have not replaced. Also, there may be lead pipes or plumbing present within a home. If you would like to participate in the Program, please contact the Public Works Dept. at 905-640-1910, ext. 272 or visit the Town's website www.townofws.com.

OVERNIGHT PARKING

During the months of December through March, no parking is permitted on Town roads between 2 a.m. and 5 a.m. to allow for snow removal. Vehicles parked on roads during this time will be issued a parking infraction notice and fined \$35.00.

CIVIL MARRIAGES

The Town is pleased to offer civil marriage ceremonies, held on available Fridays between 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. in the Council chamber at the Town offices. For more information please call 905-640-1900 or visit our website at www.townofws.com/civil_marriages.asp

CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION

Christmas Trees will be collected on Monday January 14th, 2008 only for all areas.

Trees greater than 1.8 metres (6 feet) in height are to be cut in half for easy disposal. PLASTIC BAGS AND DECORATIONS MUST BE REMOVED.

Please have trees placed curbside by 7:00 am on your collection day.

2008 MONTHLY PRE-AUTHORIZED TAX PAYMENTS

The Municipality offers a pre-authorized payment plan for taxes whereby, tax payments are automatically taken from your bank account for ten (10) months. Payments are taken the last business day for 10 months, January to October. The first five payments are calculated on the total 2007 taxes levied. Once the tax rate has been determined the remaining five payments would reflect any increases. Your property must be fully assessed to qualify for this payment method. The application can be downloaded from our website at www.townofws.com/pdfs/preauthorizedtax.pdf. To qualify for 2008 taxation year, applications should be in the Treasury Department by January 4th, 2008. During the Christmas closure, forms can be mailed or deposited in our drop box at 37 Sandiford Drive.

2007 UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN

The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville would like to take this opportunity to thank the following businesses for their generous donations towards the Town's 2007 United Way Campaign.

Through the support of the local businesses, employees of the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville can continue to raise funds for the valuable services United Way provides.

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| The Lion of Stouffville | Barthau Jewellers |
| Oakridge Outfitters | Main Street Bistro |
| Stakeout Dining Room/Lounge | M & M Meat Shops |
| Stouffville IDA | Lindy's Floral Boutique |
| Candlelight & Memories | Wood Sloan Inc. |
| Portfolio Plus | Age of Grace |
| Fame International Salon & Spa | Wine Wine Wine |
| Sleepy Hollow Country Club | Skin Rejuvenation |
| Fieldgate Developments | Global Pet Foods |
| Stouffville Therapeutic Centre | Main Course Restaurant |
| Inside Out Decorating | Lebovic Enterprises |
| Headlines Salon & Spa | Shoeless Joe's |
| Bruce's Auto Service | Curves for Women |
| East Side Mario's | Pizza Nova |
| Ballantrae Golf & Country Club | Tim Horton's |
| Stouffville Fish & Chips | Pet Valu |
| Canadian Tire Corporation | Giffels Associates Ltd |
| Giant Tiger | A & P |
| Bill Houston Ford | Stouffville Florist |
| Patti-Lynn Interiors | Schell Lumber |
| Willow Springs Farms/Winery | Healing Force |
| Captain George's Fish & Chips | Costa Nada |
| Card's Appliances | Vera's Café |
| Buffalo Wings N' Things | The Workshop |

Thank you again for your generous support.

Paul Whitehouse,
2007 United Way Campaign Chair
Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville

2008 DOG TAGS NOW AVAILABLE

Cost per tag: \$25 until Feb 29th; \$30 as of March 1st
Tags are available at the following locations until Apr 30th annually:
Global Pet Foods, Pet Valu, Mayer's Pet Shop, OSPCA Woodbine Ave S of Vivian Rd, Ballantrae Animal Hospital, Ballantrae Plaza Vet Clinic, Town & Country Animal Hospital, Stouffville Veterinary Clinic.

Also available year-round at the Municipal Offices, 37 Sandiford Drive, 4th Floor (payment by cash, cheque, debit, Visa or MasterCard). Or by mail: (payment by cheque only) to the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville 37 Sandiford Drive, 4th Floor, Stouffville ON L4A 7X5

Questions may be directed to the Licensing Officer at 905-640-1910 or 905-895-5299 ext. 225

For a downloadable application form, go to www.townofws.com, click on Resident Services - Other Services - Dog Tags then click on the "Dog Tag Application Form" link. No computer? The form will be included in your 2008 interim tax bill.

Thank you for your co-operation in licensing your dog.

TOWN CELEBRATES EMPLOYEE SERVICE EXCELLENCE

Chief Administrative Officer David Cash is pleased to confirm Service Excellence Awards have been issued to several employees who have made an outstanding contribution to serving the municipality.

Town employees do great work for the municipality and their efforts are appreciated. Through the Town's Service Excellence Awards program, staff can celebrate and take pride in their achievements. Employees who demonstrate a commitment to excellence are recognized in such categories as:

Customer Service

For employees who provide an exemplary level of customer service, aptly demonstrating the Town slogan, "Happy to help!"

Innovation

For employees who research and develop ideas that improve efficiencies, stream-line services, advance the quality of the workplace, and enhance the image of the corporation.

Leadership

For employees who demonstrate extraordinary leadership skills, vision and dedication to enhancing services or the work environment.

Teamwork/Collaboration

For an individual or team, whose contributions improve the quality of work life and/or services within the corporation through a collaborative approach.

Personal Achievement

For employees who have completed projects substantially beyond one's normal job requirements.

Character Community Champion

This annual award is presented to an employee nominated by peers for exemplifying the York Region character community values in the course of their work: Compassion; Courage; Fairness; Honesty; Inclusiveness; Initiative; Integrity; Optimism; Perseverance; Respect; Responsibility; Generosity.

The 2007 Service Excellence awards recipients are:

RECIPIENT	DEPARTMENT	CATEGORY
Jane Booker	Leisure Services	Character Community Champion
Gillian Angus-Traill	Development Services	Customer Service
Joy Mashinter	Treasury	Customer Service
Brian Tew	Leisure Services	Customer Service
Susan Winn	Clerks	Customer Service
Wendy Underwood	Treasury	Innovation
Andrew McNeely	Development Services	Leadership/Innovation
Anne Houle	Library	Leadership
Green Bin Launch Project Team - Lori Boyd, Andrew Brouwer, Dianne Carnrite, Colleen Clarke, Gord Haggerty, Susan Harmsen	Clerks and Public Works	Teamwork
Chris Paule	CAO Office	Teamwork
Lori Boyd	Public Works	Personal Achievement

UPCOMING EVENTS

AFTERNOON MOVIE @ YOUR LIBRARY

Friday, January 4th 1:30 p.m. "Stardust"

In a countryside town bordering on a magical land, a young man makes a promise to his beloved that he'll retrieve a fallen star by venturing into the magical realm. Free Admission. Rated PG-13

FREE FAMILY FUN AT THE LEBOVIC CENTRE

Friday January 4th 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

- 6:35 pm - 8:00 pm Family Swim
- 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Family Tai Chi
- 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm Movie: "Daddy Day Camp"



JANUARY IS OPTIMISM MONTH "I WILL MAINTAIN A POSITIVE ATTITUDE, LOOK ON THE BRIGHTER SIDE OF SITUATIONS AND SEEK OPPORTUNITIES IN THE FACE OF ADVERSITY."