# TOWN OF HITCHURCH-STOUFFVILLE

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# 111 Sandiford Drive, Stouffville, ON L4A 0Z8

### **NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Council Chambers • 111 Sandiford Drive **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18** 

Council Meeting – 3 p.m. Public Meeting – 7 p.m.

### **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25**

### **Alternate Public Meeting - cancelled**

The agenda for these meetings will be available for review at the Municipal Offices, Whitchurch-Stouffville Public Library and on our website at noon the Thursday prior to the meeting. The Calendar of Council meetings for this year is available on our website.

### NOTICES

### **FAMILY DAY CLOSURE** The Municipal Offices & Library will be closed on

Monday, February 17 For Public Works/ Leisure Services Emergencies Please Call: 1-800-997-9377 Fire & Emergency Response: 911

Please visit our website for more information about Family Day closures and events.

> The Municipal Offices will reopen on Tuesday, February 17 at 8 a.m.

### **FEBRUARY 18 COUNCIL MEETING**

Council will consider a report to repeal By-law 2004-229-RE, being a by-law to regulate horse riding establishments in the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville. For more information, please contact Karen Ewart, Deputy Clerk, at ext. 2321 or karen.ewart@townofws.ca

### **APPROVED ROAD CLOSURE**

On December 17, 2013, Council approved a seasonal/temporary closure of Burkholder Street (between Park Drive and the access driveway to the Public Library/Leisure Centre) to vehicular traffic from 3:30 p.m. each Friday to 8 p.m. each Sunday during the period extending from May to October. This closure allows for more pedestrian movement and programming opportunities in Memorial Park on the weekends.



Open to all high school students from Whitchurch-Stouffville

# **Calling all High School** Students with a Business Idea!

Enter the York Small Business Plan Challenge today for your chance to win \$500 and other prizes, including two iPad minis!

Registration form to declare participation is due February 28.

For more information visit

www.townofws.ca or www.yorksmallbusiness.ca

## **NOTICES CONT'D**

### YORK SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE CENTRE **COMES TO STOUFFVILLE!** Wednesday, February 19

Are you looking to start a business? Or have you recently started and need some advice? FREE, one hour, one-on-one consultation with a Small Business Consultant between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Wednesday February 19 at the Municipal Offices. Space is limited. Please sign up with Nirvana Champion at 905-640-1910 ext. 2301 or nirvana.champion@townofws.ca.

### **GET READY FOR SPRING REGISTRATION**

Print and online versions of 2014 Spring & Summer Leisure Guide are available today! Stay tuned for registration info.

### LEISURE CENTRE AND LIBRARY EXPANSION

First Public Consultation on Thursday, February 20 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at EastRidge Evangelical Missionary Church, 12485 Tenth Line, Stouffville.

### **2014 INTERIM PROPERTY TAX BILLS**

1st Installment Due – Friday, February 21 2nd Installment Due – Thursday, April 17

**RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL INTERIM TAX** bills have now been mailed. Ratepayers who have not received their bills should contact the Customer Service Centre as soon as possible. Failure to receive a tax bill does not eliminate the responsibility for payment of taxes or the penalty charges for late payment.

TAX PAYMENTS may be made at most Financial Institutions through tellers, banking machines, telephone and Internet banking, by mail or in person at the Municipal Offices, 111 Sandiford Drive. An afterhours drop box is available at the main entrance doors.

APPEALING THE CURRENT MARKET VALUE ASSESSMENT on your property must be done before the deadline of Monday, March 31. Please direct questions regarding assessments to the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) at 1-866-296-6722.

VACANCY REBATE APPLICATIONS are available on our website or at the Municipal Offices during business hours, for any commercial or industrial properties that have been vacant for 90 consecutive days. The deadline for submitting the application for the 2013 taxation year is Friday, February 28.

### SUPPLEMENTARY TAXES ON NEWLY-CONSTRUCTED HOMES

Owners have been or will be receiving tax bills for the value of the "land" only excluding building, until the house is assessed by the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC). Once assessed, supplementary tax bills will be issued for the house, retroactive to the date of possession. To estimate the annual taxes, simply multiply the purchase price of the home x 1%. This process can take 2 to 3 years and the tax bills will be due within a short time period. Prepayments on account or through a pre-authorized payment plan can be made to assist homeowners in planning for these future supplementary tax bills. For further information, please contact Customer Service.

Brenda Van Essen, Manager, Revenue & Taxation Services

# www.townofws.ca

### RECRUITMENT

The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville is accepting applications for the position of

### **PUBLIC WORKS OPERATIONS TECHNICIAN** - ONE (1) SPRING TERM STUDENT

Please refer to our website for details.

# UPCOMING EVENTS



### **VALENTINE'S DAY CUPCAKES & CARDS** Sunday, February 9 at 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. WS Museum & Community Centre

Decorate Valentine themed cupcakes and craft your own heritage Valentine cards. Recommended ages: 3 - 10. Pre-registration is required, visit www.wsmuseum.ca for more information.

# **VALENTINE'S DAY CONTEST @ YOUR LIBRARY**

Enter to win a Chapter's gift certificate!

Complete this sentence: I love the WSP Library because... Enter via Facebook, Twitter, the library website, or bring your entry to the library by Tuesday, February 11, 5 p.m. Selected entries will be posted anonymously on the library website. Contest is open to all library members, visit www.wsplibary.on.ca for more information.



### **AQUATICS\***

Free Leisure Swim from 1:05 p.m. - 3 p.m. Donations accepted for Join IN Recreation Subsidy Fund. \*visit our website for Fitness, Lane and Aquafit times

### MUSEUM

Family Day Skating Party from 12 p.m. - 4 p.m. Enjoy hot chocolate and create a heritage craft. included with general admission

> For more information, visit www.townofws.ca or call 905-642-PLAY (7529).



**11TH ANNUAL STOUFFVILLE WINTER CARNIVAL** 

Saturday, February 8 • 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Come out and enjoy indoor and outdoor activities at the Cedar Beach Park & Pavilion, Musselman's Lake 15014 Ninth Line, Stouffville. For more information, visit the Events Calendar on our website.



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