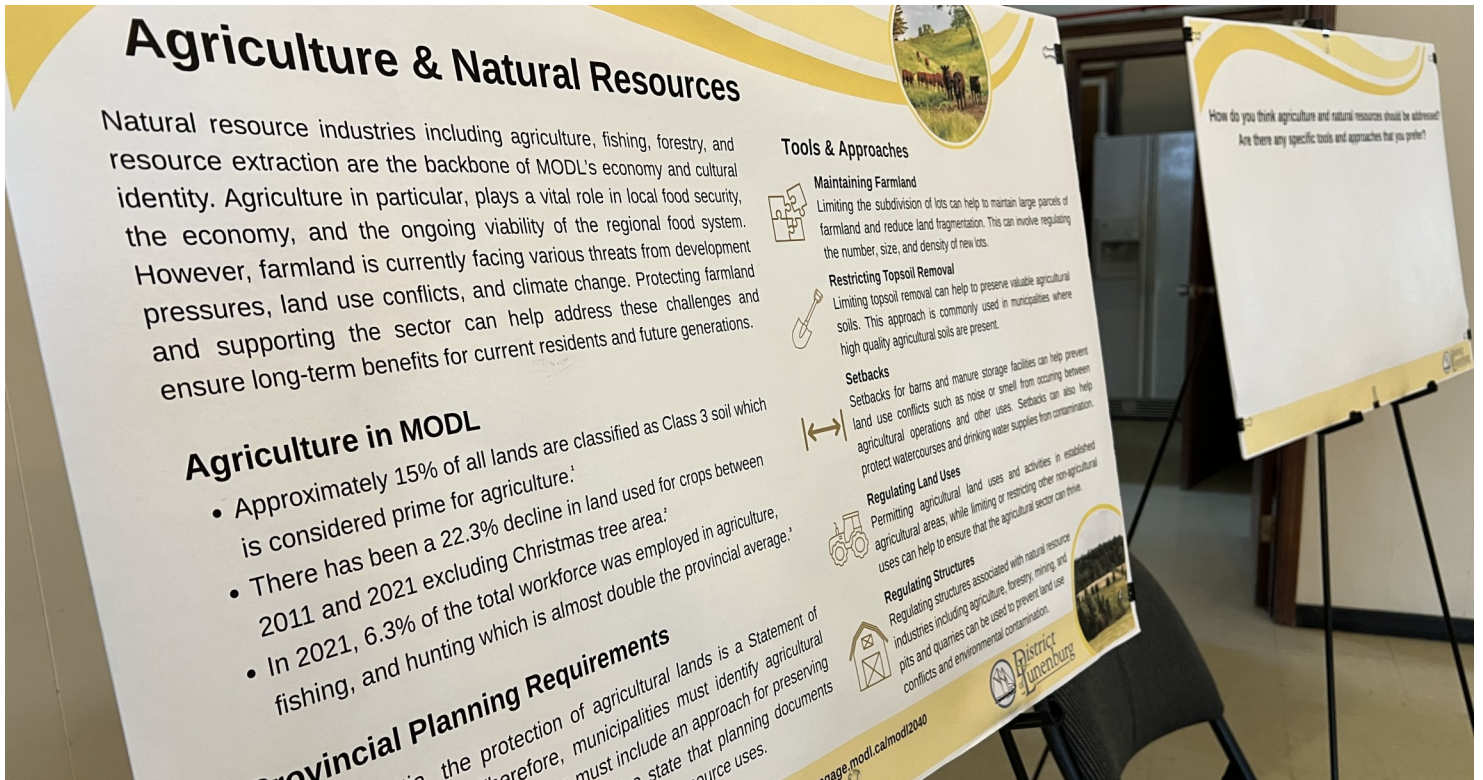


SUMMER 2025



Share Your Thoughts on Property Regulations

Over 600 people have already attended our Open Houses about land use planning (also called zoning). The Province has told all municipalities that zoning rules must be in place for every property. These rules help guide growth, protect resources, and plan for the future.

Draft zoning documents were shared with Council and the public on March 13. These were meant to start conversations and gather feedback from the public, Council, and the Planning Advisory Committee.

We've heard from many residents who are worried about the drafts—especially possible limits on small-scale farming. Others felt the proposed rules were too strict for our rural communities. At the March 25 meeting, Council asked staff to write a second version of the documents, with fewer restrictions and more in line with the basic requirements in the Municipal Government Act. As we work on these changes, we want to hear from you. Public engagement events began in April and will run until the end of June. (Story continues on page 3.)

In this issue, read about: How you can learn more and provide your feedback on proposed zoning regulations, community events, our battery recycling program, what we're doing about Hemlock Woolly Adelgid, and more.

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Mayor's Message

As someone who spent their whole working life as a self-employed businessperson the adjustment to politics has been eye-opening. But, in so many ways I feel that my experience in managing people, whether they be employees or customers, prepared me well for my work dealing with residents.

I have come to learn it was much easier to make people happy at Wile's Lake Farm Market than it is as the Mayor and leader of a Council of ten smart, opinionated Councillors and 27,000 +/- residents.

I am enjoying the job and recognize that there is much we can accomplish at the municipal level that really can help to shape the future for our area and affect the lives of those who live here now and those who will be here in the years to come.

Our Council has the benefit of being elected into a municipality that is in a strong fiscal position which gives us the freedom and luxury to invest in projects that will support our long-term growth and development. MODL has the second largest assessment base in the province next to Kings County; this leaves us in an enviable position. Our Council is committed to remaining fiscally responsible to our taxpayers, recognizing that investment in our future development is critical to accommodate the growth and development that will continue.

Our Council is committed to creating an environment where residents feel welcome at our meetings and where their input is respected and appreciated. Our commitment to engagement is being tested over the next few months as we begin a restart on our municipal planning strategy.

The initial draft of the strategy was not well received; we heard it loud and clear from residents. Council agreed we needed to start the process over by going back to the community to discuss the reasons for planning, the process for developing the plan and identifying the key areas of concern. We have hosted or will be hosting community meetings in each of the 10 districts, plus many more meetings at the Municipal Services Building.

The greatest concerns to date have been around agricultural land, livestock units per acre, and home-based businesses. As one of the last municipalities in the province to have district wide planning, we are facing some challenging discussions as we find the balance between recognizing our large rural areas and more densely populated villages and communities surrounding Bridgewater.

I want to recognize my Council who have been supportive, encouraging, and great to work with. They are truly committed to making our community a better place to live and raise their families and although we may not all agree all the time, everyone is motivated to make this a better place, that is really all I can ask for and I am happy to work with them.



Share your Thoughts on Property Regulations continued...

We are committed to ensuring every property owner in the District knows about this project. We have sent postcards to every residence to advertise the open houses. We've also been advertising the open houses on Facebook, CKBW, in the South Shore Bulletin, and in our monthly email newsletter, the District Digest (sign up at modl.ca/communication).

The complete list of engagement events is available under the Open Houses and Events tab at engage.modl.ca/MODL2040. These events are drop-in style, where you can come for as little or as long as you like during the advertised hours and talk to staff and Council.

If you can't attend an event, you can watch a presentation at engage.modl.ca/MODL2040.

We want to hear directly from residents about the Municipal-Wide Land Use Planning Project. Staff and Council will attend events across every district—see the complete list under the Open Houses and Events tab at engage.modl.ca/modl2040. Can't make an event? Share your thoughts by emailing planning@modl.ca or calling a Planner at (902) 530-2802 between Monday to Friday, 8am to 5pm.

Watch a presentation that answers some of the most frequently asked questions at youtube.com/@modlnovascotia

JUNE						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 6pm to 8pm Petite Riviere Fire Hall	5	6	7
8	9 6pm to 8pm Lunenburg Fire Dept	10	11 11:30am to 1pm Tancook Island Rec Centre	12 6pm to 8pm Blockhouse Fire Hall	13	14
15	16 6pm to 8pm Conquerall Bank Fire Hall	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 6pm to 8pm Riverport District Community Centre	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	Can't make a meeting? View the presentation online at engage.modl.ca/MODL2040 or call to talk to a Planner at (902) 530-2802				

Municipal-Wide Land Use Planning Frequently Asked Questions

What is zoning and why is it important?

Zoning regulates land use by dividing areas into zones focused on uses such as residential, commercial, industrial, and agricultural, each with its own rules. Zoning helps communities grow in a safe and planned way. It protects property values, keeps people safe, helps the environment, supports jobs and businesses, and keeps rural areas peaceful and natural.

What is the purpose of the Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) and Land Use By-law (LUB)?

The MPS is a plan that shows how the municipality wants to grow in the future. The LUB is a set of rules that helps make that plan happen by controlling how land is used and what can be built. Together, they are intended to promote sustainable, organized growth by addressing issues such as population changes, economic development, environmental sustainability, and community needs. These documents ensure land use regulations remain current, aligning with the municipality's future goals and provincial standards.

How will the MPS and LUB affect my property?

The MPS and LUB are rules that explain what you can and can't do with your property. Every property will be put into a zone, like for homes, businesses, or farms. If you want to build something or make changes to your property, these documents will tell you what is allowed and what steps you need to take.

How does the MPS and LUB align with provincial regulations?

In 2018, the Province of Nova Scotia made it mandatory for all municipalities to have land use plans and zoning for every property. In response, we have been working to develop a plan that follows the province's requirements and guides growth in MODL over the next 20 years.

The MPS and LUB must also follow provincial rules called "Statements of Provincial Interest." These rules help protect things that are important to the province, like housing, roads, clean water, farmland, and areas at risk of flooding.

Who decides what is included in the MPS and LUB?

The MPS and LUB are written by professional planners, with extensive input from community members, stakeholders, and elected officials. The final documents are approved by Council.

How do I know if my property is affected by zoning changes?

You can check your property's proposed zoning at engage.modl.ca/MODL2040 or at the municipal office, where you'll find maps and detailed information on current zoning regulations and any proposed changes.

How can I provide feedback on the MPS and LUB?

Public consultations are held during all stages of the development of the MPS and LUB. You can participate by attending public meetings, submitting comments, or contacting municipal planning staff directly. Comments and input are welcome at any time at planning@modl.ca.

How will zoning and land use regulations affect my property taxes and property values?

Property taxes are based on assessments by the Property Valuation Services Corporation (PVSC), which updates values annually using "Market Value Assessment." The municipal government sets tax rates, applied to the capped assessment value. Zoning changes do not automatically increase taxes. Property values are also assessed by PVSC under the Nova Scotia Assessment Act.

Will I be able to change the zoning of my property in the future?

You can ask to change the zoning by applying to the Municipality. The process normally includes a public meeting where people can share their thoughts, and then Council makes the final decision.

What if I live in an area with an existing Planned Areas with Land-use Bylaw?

Zoning is already in place in several communities within MODL, including Blockhouse, Hebbville, Hemford Forest, Oakland, Osprey Village, Princes Inlet & Area, and Riverport & District. The secondary planning strategies are proposed to remain unchanged for now and will be incorporated into the new document as appendices. Draft #1 includes specific policies/regulations that would override the secondary planning areas, where the new document may be more stringent (wetlands, watercourse setbacks, cluster developments and coastal protection). The secondary plans will be revisited and updated/incorporated with the new document one-by-one once this project is completed.

Will new regulations force me to change a building or use that is already in place? What is a legal non-conforming structure or use?

No, you won't have to change something that was built or used legally before the new rules. A "legal non-conforming" building or use means it followed the old rules (or was there before any rules) but doesn't meet the new ones. These are often called "grandfathered." They're still allowed and can be fixed, expanded, or rebuilt if damaged.

Can these documents be changed in the future?

Yes, Council can make changes to planning documents at any time. Different processes are required depending on the level of change being considered, but most involve a public notification and commenting process and approval by Council. These documents must be reviewed frequently to make sure they're kept up to date.

What is the expected project timeline?

Council is committed to taking all the time needed to ensure that the planning documents reflect the needs of residents.



Exciting New Look Coming June 1!

Explore the District of Lunenburg's Updated Tourism Website

A new way to explore the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg is coming! Launching June 1, our redesigned website offers a sleek look, simpler navigation, and more tools to help you discover what makes our area special.

-  Explore Local Attractions: Discover must-see spots, hidden gems, and local businesses.
-  Interactive Events Calendar: Stay up-to-date with events happening across the District of Lunenburg.
-  Public Submission Page: Share your own events with the community!



Visit us to start exploring!

www.exploremodl.ca 

Stay connected with us on social media!  facebook.com/districtoflunenburg



POP-UP Visitor Information

With summer approaching we are gearing up to welcome visitors and encourage locals to explore the area. This summer, Tourism Ambassadors will be traveling throughout our beautiful communities providing information on trails, activities, places to eat, and so much more!

If you are interested in enhancing your upcoming event or business location with our Visitor Information Pop-Up Tent please email tourism@modl.ca.

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What We're Doing About Hemlock Woolly Adelgid

Nova Scotia's hemlock forests are under threat from the invasive Hemlock Woolly Adelgid (HWA). Hemlocks provide deep shade that keeps streams cool, which is essential for fish like brook trout. Their dense canopies help regulate moisture, reduce soil erosion, and support biodiversity by offering shelter and food for countless species of birds, mammals, and insects.

In many areas, they form the backbone of old-growth forests and contribute to carbon storage, helping to mitigate climate change. Without intervention, HWA could lead to widespread hemlock loss, resulting in severe ecological disruption, reduced water quality, and lasting damage to our natural landscapes. Protecting these trees now means preserving healthy, resilient forests for future generations.

Simple outdoor precautions can help preserve our forests and keep Nova Scotia's natural spaces healthy for future generations. This small pest feeds on hemlock sap and can kill trees within 4 to 10 years if untreated. While HWA is already found in the District of Lunenburg, residents and visitors can take steps to slow its spread.



What is HWA?

HWA is a small, aphid-like insect that attacks eastern hemlock trees, a key species in our local ecosystems. Though the insects themselves are hard to see, they leave behind a telltale sign:

- White, woolly masses found at the base of hemlock needles, especially on the underside of branches.
- Trees may also show thinning foliage, yellowing needles, and eventually, branch dieback.

How can you help?

1. Clean Gear Before and After Visiting Natural Areas. HWA can hitch a ride on clothing, boots, tents, and even pets.
 - Brush off mud, plant matter, and debris before and after your trip.
 - Check your pet's fur, collars, and leashes for any debris.
2. Don't Move Firewood. Transporting firewood can spread HWA and other harmful pests.
 - Always buy firewood where you burn it.
 - Never bring firewood from home to your campsite.
3. Stick to Marked Trails. Staying on designated paths reduces the chance of disturbing infested trees or unknowingly spreading the pest into new areas.
4. Learn to Spot HWA – and Report It
 - Look for white, cotton-like blobs on the underside of hemlock branches.
 - If you see signs of HWA, take a photo and report it to hwa@novascotia.ca or use the iNaturalist app.

What is the District of Lunenburg doing?

We are taking important steps to protect local hemlock trees from the invasive Hemlock Woolly Adelgid. Tree inventories are currently underway in areas like River Ridge Commons, where marked trees with yellow and green ribbons are being assessed for treatment—residents are asked not to disturb these ribbons, as they are essential for planning. Informational signs have been placed along trails, with more coming soon at park entrances. To stay informed and follow project updates, visit engage.modl.ca/hemlock.



Nova Scotia 55+ Games 2025

The Nova Scotia 55+ Games will be held **September 21-24, 2025**. The games celebrate active living, competition, and community, bringing together athletes aged 55 and older from across the province. Hosted throughout Lunenburg County. The Games will feature various sports and activities designed to challenge, inspire, and engage participants of all skill levels.

**Registration
Opens May 21st!**

For more information visit: www.ns55plus.ca



facebook.com/ns55games



Battery Recycling Program is Off to a Great Start

Thanks to the enthusiasm and support of residents, the District of Lunenburg's free battery recycling program is off to an excellent start! We're excited to share that we've collected a total of **551 batteries** so far.

This total includes batteries from both residents and municipal operations, but the majority were contributed by members of the public. That's a fantastic achievement and a meaningful step toward keeping hazardous materials out of the landfill.

Batteries can leak harmful chemicals into the soil and water if sent to the landfill, and they also pose a serious fire risk at waste facilities—so recycling them helps protect both the environment and public safety. Collected batteries are sent to sorters and then, based on their chemical composition, they are processed for recycling.

The batteries are broken down into their component parts where their reusable materials are then sold on the open market to be used as input for the manufacturing of new products including batteries, cement additives, and goods made from stainless steel including bicycles and golf clubs.

If you have used household batteries sitting in drawers or junk bins, now is the perfect time to bring them in. Every battery counts!

Thank you to everyone who has supported this initiative. Please continue to spread the word to your friends, family, and neighbours. Together, we can divert even more batteries from the landfill and help protect our environment.



Community Events Listing – Summer 2025

Date	Event	Details	Contact
Mondays	VON Adult Day Program	9:00am – 3:30pm, Lunenburg (250 Green Street). This program is for seniors in the community who may be socially isolated or diagnosed with cognitive difficulties. This is a fun, social, and therapeutic program for seniors in a safe and comfortable environment with trained health professionals, that also provides a much-needed break for caregivers. \$20/visit (includes nutritious snacks, refreshments, and lunch).	(902) 634-7173 (902) 298-9943
	Monday Coffee	10:00am – 11:30am, Voglers Cove Community Hall. Enjoy tasty treats and good conversation while in the company of friends. Free; donations appreciated.	(902) 529-0930
	Cribbage	7:00pm, Voglers Cove Community Hall. Eight games of singles crib. Entrance: \$4, High Hand: \$1, 50/50 tickets available. Players bring snacks; beverages served.	(902) 677-2551
	Music Jam	7:00pm – 10:00pm, Baker Settlement & District Community Hall, Baker Settlement. 50/50, canteen, pie/cake/cookies. Wheelchair accessible. Freewill offering. If school is cancelled, the jam is cancelled.	(902) 685-2343
Tuesdays	VON Adult Day Program	9:00am – 3:30pm, Bridgewater (78 Alexander Street). This program is for seniors in the community who may be socially isolated or diagnosed with cognitive difficulties. This is a fun, social, and therapeutic program for seniors in a safe and comfortable environment with trained health professionals, that also provides a much-needed break for caregivers. \$20/visit (includes nutritious snacks, refreshments, and lunch).	(902) 634-7173 (902) 298-9943
	Alzheimer Society Caregiver Society Group	6:30pm, Margaret Hennigar Library, Bridgewater. 4 th Tuesday of every month. Caregiver Support Groups are safe places for people in caregiving roles to come together regularly for mutual care and support. It's free. Registration required.	1-800-611-6345
Wednesdays	VON Adult Day Program	9:00am – 3:30pm, Bridgewater (78 Alexander Street). This program is for seniors in the community who may be socially isolated or diagnosed with cognitive difficulties. This is a fun, social, and therapeutic program for seniors in a safe and comfortable environment with trained health professionals, that also provides a much-needed break for caregivers. \$20/visit (includes nutritious snacks, refreshments, and lunch).	(902) 634-7173 (902) 298-9943
	Wednesdays at Noon	12:00pm – 12:30pm, St. John's Anglican Church, Lunenburg. A varied musical program involving various artists. Every Wednesday in July and August. Freewill offering.	(902) 634-4994

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	Seaside A Capella Women's Chorus	6:45pm – 9:00pm, Bridgewater area (call ahead to confirm location). Women's a cappella singing group. No music experience necessary, just a love of singing.	(902) 514-4636
Thursdays	VON Adult Day Program	9:00am – 3:30pm, Lunenburg (250 Green Street). This program is for seniors in the community who may be socially isolated or diagnosed with cognitive difficulties. This is a fun, social, and therapeutic program for seniors in a safe and comfortable environment with trained health professionals, that also provides a much-needed break for caregivers. \$20/visit (includes nutritious snacks, refreshments, and lunch).	(902) 634-7173 (902) 298-9943
	Golden Youth Card Club	7:00pm, Pleasantville Fire Hall. Ages 55+. New members welcome. Auction 45's. Light refreshments served. \$3 per person.	(902) 527-5663
Fridays	Evening Music Jams	7:00pm – 10:00pm, South Shore Music Park, 140 Samuel Mader Road, New Canada. Canteen available, 50/50 tickets, and wheelchair accessible. Freewill offering. Musicians and audience very welcome.	(902) 514-6425
May 31	Plant Sale	9:30am – 12:30pm, Union Square Community Hall, 4505 Cornwall Road. Veggie and flower transplants, perennials, annuals, and houseplants. Canteen available. Cash only. All proceeds to the hall.	(902) 644-3459
June 1	IWK Gospel Variety Show	2:00pm – 4:30pm, South Shore Music Park, 140 Samuel Mader Road, New Canada. Featuring Kinfolk, Southwind, Ron Muise Country Band, and Bonded Connection. Canteen available, 50/50 tickets, door prize, wheelchair accessible. Freewill offering. Everyone welcome.	(902) 514-6425
June 5	Steven Isserlis Cello Gala Concert with Roman Rabinovich	7:00pm, doors open at 6:30pm, Lunenburg Academy 3 rd floor, 97 Kaulbach Street, Lunenburg. British cellist Steven Isserlis enjoys a unique and distinguished career as a soloist, chamber musician, educator, author and broadcaster. He will perform with Roman Rabinovich and the participants of the Cello Academy. \$100.	(902) 634-8667
June 6	Ian Tomaz – Bach Cycle Project II	5:30pm, Lunenburg Academy 3 rd floor, 97 Kaulbach Street, Lunenburg. Conversation and Music: Bach and America. Free/by donation.	(902) 634-8667
June 7	Yard Sale and Bake Table	9:00am – 12:00pm, Grace Lutheran Church, 1303 Highway 332, First South.	(902) 298-5171
June 7	Annual Plant Sale & BBQ	9:00am – 1:00pm, Barss Corner Community Hall. Proceeds to Barss Corner Baptist Ladies Auxiliary.	(902) 644-2523
June 13	Ian Tomaz – Bach Cycle Project II	5:30pm, Lunenburg Academy 3 rd floor, 97 Kaulbach Street, Lunenburg. Conversation and Music: What Now? Bach and the Present. Free/by donation.	(902) 634-8667
June 21	Music Variety Concert	2:00pm – 4:30pm, South Shore Music Park, 140 Samuel Mader Road, New Canada. Featuring The Park Band, Sharon Rhyno, Country Round-Up, Joyce	(902) 514-6425

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		Seamone, and Lucas Whitehead. Canteen available, 50/50 tickets, door prize, auction, wheelchair accessible. \$5. Everyone welcome.	
June 21	World Premieres 2025 – Composition Academy	7:00pm, Lunenburg Academy 3 rd floor, 97 Kaulbach Street, Lunenburg. Join us for a captivating evening of groundbreaking music at the World Premieres Concert, showcasing the innovative works of emerging composers from LAMP's popular Composition Academy. \$25. Children & youth under 18 free with paying adult. University & college students \$10 with ID.	(902) 634-8667
June 22	Maggie's English Tea	2:00pm, Voglers Cove Community Hall. Enjoy a selection of tea sandwiches and sweets. Plant raffle and door prizes. \$20. Reservations only.	(902) 677-2045
June 27	Ian Tomaz – Piano Concert	7:00pm, Lunenburg Academy 3 rd floor, 97 Kaulbach Street, Lunenburg. Solo piano recital performing works by J.S. Bach, Ned Rorem, Igo Stravinsky, Nikolai Kapustin, & Paul McCartney. \$25. Children & youth under 18 free with paying adult. University & college students \$10 with ID.	(902) 634-8667
June 28	Firefighters Chicken Bar B Que	3:30pm, Cornwall & District Fire Department. ½ barbecued chicken, fries, & coleslaw. Eat on premises or take home. Fee TBA.	(902) 624-9162
June 28	Summer Jazz at LAMP: A tribute to Lester Young	5:30pm, Lunenburg Academy 3 rd floor, 97 Kaulbach Street, Lunenburg. Experience the magic of summer jazz at the Lunenburg Academy of Music Performance, where world-class talent comes together for an unforgettable concert series. This summer, join us for a series of intimate, open-air performances featuring the incredible Nick Halley on drums, Tom Easley on bass, Richard White on guitar, and Mike Murley on saxophone. \$35.	(902) 634-8667
July 5	Music Variety Concert at Camper's Free Weekend	2:00pm – 4:30pm, South Shore Music Park, 140 Samuel Mader Road, New Canada. Featuring The Park Band, Lane McLelan & Dave Kwanes, Sonrise Bluegrass, Tom Barnwell and Friends, and Lucas Whitehead. Canteen available, 50/50 tickets, door prize, auction, wheelchair accessible. \$5. Everyone welcome.	(902) 514-6425
July 6	Jinjoo Cho – Encore Chamber Music Institute Concert	2:30pm, Lunenburg Academy 3 rd floor, 97 Kaulbach Street, Lunenburg. Internationally renowned violinist Jinjoo Cho performs solo, as well as with Fellows from the ENCORE Chamber Music Institute. \$35.	(902) 634-8667
July 13	Old Fashion Strawberry Supper	4:00pm – 6:00pm, Voglers Cove Community Hall. Ham, baked beans, potato salad, coleslaw, and rolls with strawberry shortcake or carrot cake for dessert. Beverages included. \$20; ages 6-12 - \$10; under 6 - free.	(902) 677-2045
July 19	Music Variety Concert: Christmas in July	2:00pm – 4:30pm, South Shore Music Park, 140 Samuel Mader Road, New Canada. Featuring Just Friends, Southwind, and Collage (Hank Middleton).	(902) 514-6425

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		Canteen available, 50/50 tickets, door prize, auction, wheelchair accessible. \$5. Everyone welcome.	
July 26	Summer Jazz at LAMP	5:30pm, Lunenburg Academy 3 rd floor, 97 Kaulbach Street, Lunenburg. Tribute to Thelonius Monk and Billy Strayhorn: Experience the magic of summer jazz at the Lunenburg Academy of Music Performance, where world-class talent comes together for an unforgettable concert series. Join us for a series of intimate, open-air performances featuring the incredible Nick Halley on drums, Tom Easley on bass, Richard White on guitar, and Mike Murley on saxophone. \$35.	(902) 634-8667
August 2	Skit Night	7:00pm, South Shore Music Park, 140 Samuel Mader Road, New Canada. Lots of fun and laughs. Canteen available, 50/50 tickets, door prize, wheelchair accessible. \$5. Everyone welcome.	(902) 514-6425
August 4	Yard Sale & Bake Table	10:00am – 12:30pm, LaHave Islands Marine Museum Hall, 136 LaHave Islands Road.	(902) 688-2170
August 23	Music Variety Concert	2:00pm – 4:30pm, South Shore Music Park, 140 Samuel Mader Road, New Canada. Featuring The Park Band, Autumn Dedrick, and more TBA. Canteen available, 50/50 tickets, door prize, auction, wheelchair accessible. \$5. Everyone welcome.	(902) 514-6425
August 23	Summer Jazz at LAMP	5:30pm, Lunenburg Academy 3 rd floor, 97 Kaulbach Street, Lunenburg. Tribute to Sonny Rollins, Experience the magic of summer jazz at the Lunenburg Academy of Music Performance, where world-class talent comes together for an unforgettable concert series. This summer, join us for a series of intimate, open-air performances featuring the incredible Nick Halley on drums, Tom Easley on bass, Richard White on guitar, and Mike Murley on saxophone. \$35.	(902) 634-8667
August 24	Fisherman's Memorial Service	2:00pm, St. John's Anglican Church, 388 LaHave Islands Road. Sponsored by the LaHave Islands Marine Museum Society.	(902) 688-2170
September 7	IWK Gospel Variety Show	2:00pm – 4:30pm, South Shore Music Park, 140 Samuel Mader Road, New Canada. Featuring Valley Blue, Tristan and Greg Weare, David Graves, and one band TBA. Canteen available, 50/50 tickets, door prize, wheelchair accessible. Freewill offering. Everyone welcome.	(902) 514-6425
September 20	Newfoundland Music Variety Concert	2:00pm – 4:30pm, South Shore Music Park, 140 Samuel Mader Road, New Canada. Featuring Bernie Sharp and Friends, Alma Elliot, Ron Muise Country Sound, and Wanda B and the Crew. Canteen available, 50/50 tickets, door prize, auction, wheelchair accessible. \$5. Everyone welcome.	(902) 514-6425

Submit event info to Tissy Bolivar, tissy.bolivar@modl.ca, or call (902) 541-1335. Next deadline: Thursday, August 7, 2025

MEET YOUR COUNCIL!



Councillor Pam Hubley, District 4

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Hi, I'm Pam Hubley. I was elected to represent the residents of District 4 in 2020, served as Deputy Mayor from 2022-2023 and re-elected for a second term in 2024.

I like to work at the grassroots level, focusing on our municipality and helping residents with issues that affect their everyday life. I bring to the table 25 years management experience along with a certificate in accounting and investment funds in Canada. I also have 25 years' experience volunteering with the Canadian volunteer income tax program.

My husband and I call East Clifford home. As a blended family we have a daughter, son-in-law and granddaughter in West Clifford, a son in British Columbia and step grandparents to two great young men. I balance a full-time job along with my council commitments. I have a logical, positive outlook, and I am a levelheaded decision maker. I continue to learn and grow. I am excited to help build a municipality where I want to live the rest of my life. I enjoy getting to know the perspectives of our residents. It is how I know where they want the municipality to go.

Councillor Martin Bell, District 2

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I was born in and remained in Nova Scotia my whole life. I have resided in Conquerall Bank for over 60 years with my wife Cheryl of 47 years and have three children. As a firm believer in personal community involvement, I have assumed leadership roles in my local fire department, community, provincial Boards, and national Boards.

While serving several years as president of the Canadian Volunteer Fire Services Association I helped to move the once debt-laden-association forward and into the black again. I have served 21 years on the national Board for CVFSA.

I have served three terms as Deputy Mayor. With a genuine interest in the well-being of my community and our residents, I listen to people and work to bring about great results. With over 35 years in pre-hospital care both as a Field Paramedic and as a Medical Dispatcher at the Provincial (911) Medical Dispatch Centre, I have had to make life critical decisions daily with split second accuracy. I was one of the first to have received the Emergency Medical Dispatcher Certification with International/Quality District within the Province of Nova Scotia. In 2018 I retired from EMC-EHS. I am a graduate from Dalhousie University's Municipal Governing program, and am well-versed in Nova Scotia politics. I'm currently in my sixth term (25th year) as Municipal Councillor.



MEET YOUR COUNCIL!

Councillor Edgar Burns, District 7

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I'm Edgar Burns, your Councillor for District 7. I'm a 36 year old father of two and aspiring hobby farmer who proudly lives in West Northfield with my fiancée Caelin and our two boys. We are excited to be expecting our third child this summer! This is my first time on Council and I'm excited to be a fresh voice sitting at the table. I'm looking forward to bringing your voice and your vision for our district and the Municipality to the decision-making process.

When I'm not at the council table you can find me at my day job where I'm a partner at LaHave Law practicing property law, or at home where we have an ever-growing vegetable garden and assortment of chickens and pigs. I also enjoy spending time on our woodlot with the family, going on hikes to explore our parks and trails, or watching some hockey on a Saturday evening.

During my time on Council I intend to continue to advocate for policies that make our life more affordable, invest in our trails and parks, and work to ensure housing is available that is both affordable and desirable.



Councillor Morgen Reinhardt, District 1

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I grew up in New Cumberland and now live in Crousetown with my husband and two children. This is my first term on Council and I am proud to represent the residents of District 1.

I have spent most of my working life as a teacher in the South Shore regional school district and have worked at every school in the region. I have also taught in rural Newfoundland, northern Saskatchewan, and the United Kingdom.

I have volunteered for many different organizations, including various community halls, Frontier College (now United for Literacy), Nourish Your Roots, Greater Petite Area Community Association, and Students for Social Justice. I understand the vital part volunteer organizations play in our communities and will work to support them as much as possible.

I enjoy spending as much time as I can outside, hiking, biking, camping, gardening, orienteering, canoeing, and swimming. I am also interested in food self-sufficiency and am learning more about growing crops, raising animals, and food preparation and preservation. I believe the best government is one that is informed by the people.

I look forward to listening to your concerns and ideas, advocating for you with other levels of government, and working together to build strong, resilient communities.



Thank You Volunteers!

Sheila Woodcock is our 2025 Provincial Volunteer Representative. She is a tireless community leader, arts advocate and founding member of the Lunenburg Foundation for the Arts (LFA). For over 13 years, Sheila has worked diligently to grow and strengthen the organization, which plays a crucial role in supporting artists across Lunenburg County. Through her leadership, the LFA has become a beacon for the local arts community, providing meaningful grants that empower artists to create and thrive.

As president, Sheila has not only guided the organization through numerous challenges but has also been a mentor to new board members, ensuring continuity and growth within the foundation. Beyond her work with the LFA, Sheila has made significant contributions to the local arts scene by co-founding the Lunenburg Cultural Collective and the Folk Art Society. Her volunteer efforts have also extended to key roles within the Folk Art and Folk Harbour Festivals, where she has helped shape the region's cultural landscape. Sheila has been an active member of the IWK Board of Directors, the South Shore District Health Authority, and Cancer Care Nova Scotia. Her work in these areas has had a profound impact on the delivery of health services and patient care in Nova Scotia.

As National Volunteer Week comes to a close, we want to highlight some of the incredible volunteers in our communities. On April 29, we celebrated 32 outstanding volunteers for their selfless dedication to many organizations across the Municipality. A huge congratulations and thank you goes out to:

Patrick Langille, Bridgewater Fire Department
Ben McCrodan, Dayspring & District Fire Department
Addyson Nowe, Dayspring & District Fire Department Auxiliary
Ronnie Demone, Dayspring & District Fire Department Auxiliary
Clarence Fiander, Flourish 55+ Healthy Activity Society
Brandon Burgoyne, Italy Cross/Middlewood District Fire Department
Nancy Llewellyn-Rafuse, Italy Cross/Middlewood District Fire Department
Lisa Hirtle, LaHave Islands Marine Museum Society
Cheryl Kewley, Lunenburg County Hikers
Esther Eisnor, Lunenburg County North River Recreation Committee Society
Pat Wentzell, Lunenburg County North River Recreation Committee Society
Alfred Veinot, New Germany & Area Food Bank
Jill Russell, New Germany Canada Day Committee
Sherry Russell, New Germany Canada Day Committee
Barb Goulden, Parkdale Maplewood Community Centre Association
Sandra Hagell, Parkdale Maplewood Community Centre Association

Wendy Looke – Parkdale-Maplewood Community Musuem
Darlene McKean, Pinehurst Community Hall
Kris Wile, Pinehurst Community Hall
Amie Haughn, Pleasantville Baptist Church
Chad Haughn, Pleasantville Baptist Church
Donna Mosher, Riverport & District Community Centre
Margo Strowbridge, Riverport & Dist Community Centre
George Bush, Royal Canadian Legion Branch 24
Lillian B. Baggett, Royal Canadian Legion Branch 24
Lise Kaulbach, SHAID Tree Animal Shelter
Maggie Oickle, The 644 Revitalization Network
Nancy Veinot, The 644 Revitalization Network
Sandra MacNeil, The Ark
David Kwantes, Walden Volunteer Fire Department
Ruth Kwantes, Walden Volunteer Fire Department

We're so proud to have been able to host a celebration in honour of all these volunteers—a small but meaningful way for the Municipality to say thank you. Thank you for the joy you bring, the connections you create, and the strength you add to our communities. Because of you, our communities and neighbourhoods are better places to live, work, and play.



Mayor Elspeth McLean-Wile, Sheila Woodcock, and Deputy Mayor Chasidy Veinotte

Fall Wood and Metal Collection Reminder

Wood and metal pick up will take place on your regular collection day between September 15-26, 2025. Wood and metal items are collected in the fall. Items may measure up to 1.8 m (6 feet) long and individual items may weigh up to 140 kgs (308 lbs). Each household may put out a combined volume of wood and metal measuring 4 cubic metres (5.2 cubic yards).

Wood and Metal Collection include:



Two bulky landfill items can be collected on your regular collection days, throughout the year. Items can measure up to 1.8 m and weigh up to 100 kgs.

Items include mattresses, box springs, couches, pillows, plastic furniture, rugs, carpet, toilets, acrylic bathtubs, doors with windows, vinyl siding, drywall, insulation, laundry baskets, kids swimming pools, artificial Christmas trees, ceramic lamp frames and shades. Household waste and bulky items must be curbside by 7:00 am on pickup day.

Wood and metal can be dropped off at the Waste Site located at 908 Mullock Road, Whyntott's Settlement. A fee is charged for wood, metal is free. Questions? Call (902) 543-2991 or visit communityrecycling.ca.

New Electronic Items Added to Provincial Recycling Program

Electronic Products Recycling Association (EPRA) has added several new types of electronics items for recycling.

- Floor and carpet care appliances: vacuums and carpet cleaners
- Garment care appliances: irons and steam cleaners
- Counter-top cooking appliances: food processors, coffee grinders, coffee makers
- Devices for cutting food items and opening/sealing packages
- Time measurement devices & weight scales: alarm clocks, wall clocks, food scales, weight scales
- Personal care appliances: hair dryers, electric toothbrushes
- Portable air treatment devices: portable fans, heaters, humidifiers (does not include air conditioners)



These items will no longer be collected as bulky landfill or metal items at the curbside. They will be collected during the fall electronics curbside pick up September 29 – October 10, 2025. The Waste Site at 908 Mullock Road, Whyntott's Settlement accepts these items free of charge, year-round as part of the electronics program.

For a complete list of accepted items, visit recyclemyelectronics.ca/ns/what-can-i-recycle or call (902) 543-2991.

Waste Collection Information

There are lots of ways to find out about waste collection. Visit communityrecycling.ca to find updates. Sign up for collection notifications using **R6Recycles waste app**. You can download the app on your mobile device. It's free and easy to use.

If collection is cancelled, check the website listed above, or call **1-855-530-3324** or **(902) 543-2991** or tune into **CKBW 98.1 fm**. Also check the **Lunenburg Regional Community Recycling Centre's Facebook page**.

Sorting Brochures

R6RECYCLES Never miss a collection day or cancellation again! Sign up for waste collection notifications or service alerts with the new online Collection Calendar tool. Sort your garbage, organics and recyclables properly using the 'What Goes Where?' tool!

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		Bi-Weekly Bulky waste collection (MJSB) Garbage				



Never miss collection day! Download the free **R6RECYCLES App** on the app store.
No computer or smart phone? Call (902) 543-2991 to sign up for reminders about collection day.

Find us on Facebook! facebook.com/LunenburgRegionalCommunityRecyclingCentre

The Lunenburg Regional Community Recycling Centre is located at 908 Mullock Road in Whynotts Settlement.
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Important Numbers

General Inquiries	(902) 543-8181	Engineering Department	(902) 541-1351
Planning/MODL 2040	(902) 530-2802	Mayor's Office	(902) 541-1326
Building Inquiries/Inspection	(902) 541-1325	Recreation, Parks & Tourism	(902) 541-1343
Civic Addressing Inquiries	(902) 541-1325	Roads (Dept. Public Works)	1-844-696-7737
Dog Control Officer	(902) 543-2022	Solid Waste Inquiries	(902) 543-2991
Economic Development	(902) 530-2325	Solid Waste Collection Issues	1-855-530-3324
Elections	(902) 527-8151	Taxes	(902) 541-1329

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