Region of Queens Municipality

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The Holiday Issue

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Special points of interest:

- *The Region of Queens Municipality formed in 1996, bringing the former Town of Liverpool and the Municipality of Queens together as one unit in the first voluntary amalgamation in Nova Scotia*
- *The Region of Queens is served by 7 Councillors and a Mayor*
- *The population of the Region of Queens Municipality is 10,960 according to data from Census Canada's 2011 report.*

Find us on the Internet

Website:
www.regionofqueens.com

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Town Hall Arts and Cultural Centre

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@RegionofQueens
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Council`s official Swearing-In Ceremony occurred on November 1st. This public event was celebrated with an opening drum song performed by Acadia First Nations. Members of the Kings Orange Rangers, RCMP, and Rev. Hopper were also in attendance. Our newly elected progressive Council has certainly hit the ground running, quickly initiating progress towards growing our population, attracting new businesses and addressing an expectation of more events being held at Queens Place Emera Centre. Queens is open to new business.

Strategic Planning sessions are assisting Council and staff to chart our future, while allowing further insight into the workings and governance of the Region of Queens. As Mayor, numerous meetings with local business persons and other government leaders have occurred, to source information necessary to support current and future initiatives.

A Note from the Mayor

It has been my pleasure to attend a number of activities. The Remembrance Day Service and the Remembrance Day Banquet, Christmas Tree Lighting events in both Liverpool and North Queens, in addition to the Region`s participation at Christmas Parades in Liverpool and Caledonia, were well attended. I have been directly involved in efforts towards resolving rural Internet Service issues in Queens County, and we are investigating potential Provincial and Federal funding programs. The Region continues to work in close cooperation with the South Queens Chamber of Commerce and the North Queens Board of Trade.

I have attended Association banquets and have spoken on the partnerships between the various associations and the Region, and the resulting benefits to residents of Queens. Considerable work occurs with staff behind the scenes when pursuing new employers, and securing future events at Queens Place. Staff has been very helpful when dealing with those issues. Unfortunately, great news of success can only be released upon conclusion of negotiations.

Additionally, we are working on issues of interest to residents. These include roadway maintenance and improvement, the local skateboard park, BMX bike track, new landfill cell, upgrades to our Municipal website, Carter's Beach, expanding recreational programming and activity awareness, and supporting efforts to increase business interests at Port Mersey. A camera crew, on behalf of Public Services and Procurement Canada was in Liverpool on November 24th filming footage pertaining to vessel recycling by R. J. MacIsaac. Several local residents were interviewed including me, and those short videos are now available on the internet for viewing. This type of exposure benefits us all, as it puts Queens in front of the world.

As Mayor of the Region of Queens, and on behalf of Councillors and staff, I want to assure you that we will continue to work on your behalf. It is also my pleasure to convey Best Wishes for the Holiday Season, and a Happy New Year, to all.

David B. Dagley, Mayor

'SNOW PLACE like QUEENS

FOR A FULL LISTING OF EVENTS, VISIT
www.queens.ca

Winter is on the way, and as the days get shorter, and the temperatures get cooler, the many great special events and activities organized by community groups and businesses in Queens will warm your heart, and give you so much to do!

There's 'Snow Place Like Queens in the Winter (and year round too!). Check our website for events listings, and look for updates on special events on Facebook.

Submit your event!

If you are part of a community group or business based in the Region of Queens and have an event coming up, please send event details to us and we will include it on the 'Snow Place Like Queens Calendar on our website (email details to info@regionofqueens.com with 'Snow Place Like Queens in the subject line).

Councillor Kevin Muise, District 1

I would like to thank the voters of District 1 for electing me to represent them on regional council for the next four years.

Not quite 2 months into the term, a number of concerns for our area have been brought to my attention. Carter's Beach, lighting deficiencies at the new Port Mouton exit and Broad River corner, to name a few.

I look forward to working with the Mayor, CAO, and other councillors to do all we can do to enhance Queens County.

Councillor Heather Kelly, District 2

I would like to thank all those that came out to vote on October 15th. I welcome the opportunity to serve everyone in District 2. In the short time that I have been a councillor, I have had an opportunity to speak to several residents about the issues that concern them. I am gradually getting organized and communication is at the top of my list. I am interested in making myself available to hear your thoughts and opinions and keeping you informed about what is happening in our community and in Queens County. If you have an opinion on transportation, a pool, senior housing, economic development, land use bylaws, please contact me to talk about it.

Councillor Brian G. Fralic, District 3

I am thrilled to be back for my 2nd term. This district, while not having many businesses, has 2 schools, library, adult high school, hospital and a museum, and hosts several community halls and churches.

While I am Councillor for District 3, I am very involved throughout the Region with many projects. Health and wellness is a part of Council's Strategic Plan, as it intertwines through everything we do in the community.

I am also part of the UNSM Accessibility Advisory Board assisting with the new policies set forth by the Provincial government. This is a great step forward for everyone with disabilities. "This act will help our municipalities become more inclusive and better places to live, work and play.

Please feel free to contact me with any concerns.

Deputy Mayor Susan MacLeod, District 4

Thank you District 4 for your support. The district is a busy one, with the Port Mersey Site, the water/sewer project, specifically Markland Ave, now completed. A huge thank you to the residents for their patience with the construction. Next phase is the pumping station installation.

Some issues brought before councillors are responsibilities of the municipal government however, there are often ones that are provincial or federal. Residents are not sure where these fit. You can be sure when an issue is brought before me, I will refer it to the correct government level.

Have a Happy and Prosperous 2017.

Councillor Jack Fancy, District 5

I would like to thank my constituents of District 5 for the opportunity to serve you once again, for the next four years.

There have been many concerns and questions posed throughout my campaign. Some of these items include senior housing, community improvement for those with disabilities, road conditions, attracting new business, and employment opportunities for our youth. These issues are being addressed, but sometimes not permitted to be reported, due to the sensitive nature of the discussions. Please feel free to contact me with any concerns you may have and I will get back to you, in a timely fashion.

May you have a wonderful Christmas and a Blessed New Year!

Councillor Raymond Fiske, District 6

Season greetings.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all residents in District 6 for having the trust in me as your Councillor, representing you in council. The district is wide spread, starting with Pleasantfield, Middlefield, Greenfield, Buckfield, Labelle, Bangs Falls, Riversdale, Charleston, Mill Village, Port Medway, East Port Medway and Danesville. My goal for 2017 - 18 is to work with low income earners and seniors who are entitled to municipal, provincial and federal grants.

Wishing all families in Queens happy holidays.

Councillor Gil Johnson, District 7

One month in and the learning curve is steep however positive!

My early focus is your road conditions and streetlights that don't work. Two larger initiatives, accessible transportation and Doctor / Nurse Practitioner attraction.

Open communication is key. I welcome every opportunity to speak with community groups. I am exploring having a drop-in site two mornings a month with representatives from the Region there, to get a better understanding of what the plans and strategies are for our area. Please feel free to contact me at any time.

After Hours Emergencies

Please contact our After Hours pager at

1-902-354-4749

In the event of a water or sewer related emergency on the Municipal utility system.

Winter Road Conditions

Snow clearing on roadways located outside the former town of Liverpool is under the responsibility area of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal (TIR).

To report concerns in road clearing, contact the Operations Control Centre (OCC):

1-844-7737

Check the plow tracker website at http://novascotia.ca/tran/winter/plowtracker.asp for plows in your area and plow activity.

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District Boundaries (maps are available online or in person, at the Administration office)

District 1 includes

- East Port L'Hebert
- Port Joli
- St. Catherine's River
- Port Mouton
- South West Port Mouton
- Summerville Centre
- Hunts Point
- Beech Hill Farms
- White Point
- Gull Island
- White Point Road
- West Street, Liverpool
- Old Port Mouton Road
- Meadow Pond Lane

District 2 includes

- Liverpool West
- Town Lake Road
- Wolfe Street Extension
- Birch Avenue Extension
- Liverpool Central – all north-west of Church Street

District 3 includes

- Mersey Point
- Western Head
- Mount Pleasant
- Liverpool South (area from Mount Pleasant including all of Church Street up to White Point Road)

District 4 includes

- Brooklyn
- Beach Meadows
- East Berlin
- West Berlin
- Eagle Head

District 5 includes

- Milton West from Highway # 103
- Milton East from Highway # 103
- Ponhook Reserve
- Milton Road
- Bristol Avenue
- Mersey Avenue
- Old Falls Road

District 6 includes

- Mill Village
- Charleston
- Riversdale
- Danesville
- East Port Medway
- Port Medway
- Greenfield
- Middlefield
- Pleasantfield
- Bangs Falls
- Buckfield
- Labelle

District 7 includes

- North Brookfield
- Pleasant River
- South Brookfield
- Caledonia
- Hibernia
- West Caledonia
- Northfield
- Kempt
- New Grafton
- Harmony
- Westfield
- Whiteburne Mines
- Molega
- Wildcat Reserve

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