

## Get in touch with your Council



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### School Bus Safety in our Active **WEST HANTS REGION**



Please stay alert and watch for our children as they return to school and walk to-and-from bus stops. Always stop for school buses when red lights are flashing.

#### The annual Pumpkin Regatta cancelled for 2021.

Attracting over 10,000 people to Windsor and Falmouth, the Regatta will not be held this fall for COVID safety. Interested in seeing giant pumpkins? The Dill Family Farm is open daily.

### FALL RECREATION PROGRAM GUIDE

October-December 2021

Registration begins  
**Saturday, September 18th at 9am**

Brochure and Online Registration  
[www.westhants.ca/rec](http://www.westhants.ca/rec)

Cannot register online? Is cost a barrier?  
 Contact Emily at 902-790-2700  
[summerrec@westhants.ca](mailto:summerrec@westhants.ca)

Contact Kathy at 902-790-6976  
 or [kjohnston@westhants.ca](mailto:kjohnston@westhants.ca)

Space in programs is limited.  
 COVID-19 safety measures are in place.

- Active Aging
- Children & Youth
- Adult Programs
- Multi Generational Programs

### FACILITY RENTALS

**Hants County War Memorial Community Centre**  
 Gym, auditorium, meeting rooms, Commercial Kitchen  
 email: [jsweet@westhants.ca](mailto:jsweet@westhants.ca)  
 902-798-8391, Ext. 215

**West Hants Sports Complex**  
 Turf, Rink & Community Room  
 email: [gwentzell@westhants.ca](mailto:gwentzell@westhants.ca)  
 902-798-8391, Ext. 217

COMING SOON

**Fall 2021 Skate & Track Schedule**  
[www.westhants.ca/rec](http://www.westhants.ca/rec)



### Events

**September 17-18**  
 Full Circle Music Festival  
<https://www.fullcirclefestival.ca>

**September 17-19 and 24-26**  
 Hants County Exhibition - modified  
<http://hantscountyex.com>

**October 2**  
 The Great Howard Dill Pumpkin  
 Classic weigh-off beginning at 10 am

**November 11**  
 Remembrance Day Services, various locations

*Watch for the grand opening of the West Hants Sports Complex this October*

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**West Hants**  
 something inspiring awaits

**INSPIRED**  
 September 2021

## Message from the Mayor

### STRENGTH, COMMUNITY, AND POSITIVITY

Friends,

The last year and a half has truly tested the strength of our communities. I have observed so many positives from people, it makes me proud to advertise West Hants as 'Hants County Strong!' When times get tough, West Hants steps up with great initiatives such as Care Mongers, Grad Fairies, and random acts of kindness through donations and lending a helping hand.

I am proud to say I am now fully vaccinated and strongly encourage all residents to get vaccinated in order for us to get back to "normal" and help protect each other and our families.

As the Province re-opens, please continue to support our local businesses, restaurants, and facilities. Let's not forget them because they never forget us.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mr. John A. Smith who was acclaimed as our District 9 (Falmouth) Councillor. John and his wife Sherry are proud residents of Falmouth. Welcome to the team John!

And lastly, but most importantly, a huge heartfelt thank you to all our health care workers, essential workers, EHS, Fire Departments, RCMP, truck drivers, retail and service workers, and all others who have kept our communities going and safe. You are true HEROES!

*"something inspiring awaits"*

## Our Brand Story

No matter where you look in the West Hants region, you will discover the rare qualities that make our region so distinct.

You will find communities that have long been linked, working, building, discovering, and enjoying life together for thousands of years.

West Hants is a special place full of creative, innovative, and resourceful people. We are home to a wonderful blend of small towns and rural communities, of diverse heritage and vibrant culture, of pristine natural beauty, and awe-inspiring scenery. Whether you live, work, or visit here, our region offers a host of rich experiences.

You will find unexpected treasures tucked away in the corners of every community, all contributing to the West Hants brand promise that **something inspiring awaits**.

Within the colourful new West Hants logo, our people, history, landscape, and culture are represented by the sun. The sun's multicoloured rays represent the individual communities within our region, with a nod to their diversity, vibrancy, and the warmth of their residents.



Mayor Zebian (r) and Branding Co-Chair, Tim Carr (l) are excited to release the new Brand for our region. "The story behind its design is something I believe will resonate with everyone to some degree," stated Mayor Zebian.

The sun symbol becomes complete when all the individual pieces work in harmony. The same is true in West Hants. As each community contributes with its own unique offerings, the full force of the sun is realized and it truly shines.

## Climate Change

### Did you know we have Municipal Climate Change Action Plans and a Committee?

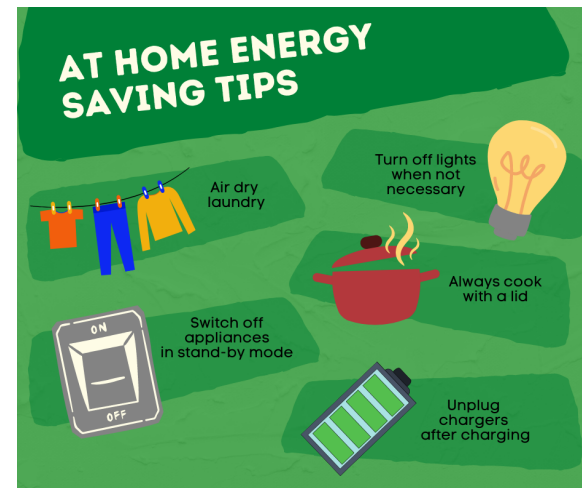
The Municipal Climate Change Action Plans (MCCAP) Committee has 10 members (3 Councillors, 2 resident members, and 5 staff). The goal of the Committee is to provide a forum to work co-operatively on implementing and evaluating the adaptation and mitigation actions outlined in the MCCAPs to help protect people, properties, special places, and municipal infrastructure from the negative impact of climate change.

The Committee meets in Feb, Apr, Sep, and Nov. (mornings of the 2nd Wednesday). Meetings are livestreamed on our Municipal Facebook page.

#### To-date, some key projects initiated:

- stormwater management plans
- flood risk assessments
- Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions inventory & forecasting
- setting emissions reduction targets
- developing a local action plan to reduce GHG emissions

Agendas, meeting minutes and more info at:  
[www.westhants.ca/municipal-climate-change-action-plan-committee](http://www.westhants.ca/municipal-climate-change-action-plan-committee)



#### What can you do?

- keep up to date with the MCCAP Committee
- consider how you can reduce GHG emissions in your daily routine (e.g., walk or bike instead of taking your car, turn off lights & electronics when not in use, eat locally produced food, etc.)
- show us how your business is adopting environmentally friendly practices

## In Case You're Wondering

### By-laws & Policies

Before consolidation, the former Town of Windsor and West Hants Municipality had separate by-laws and policies.

Until the new, consolidated Region creates new by-laws and policies, the former ones remain in effect for each of their boundaries incl. the Dog By-laws, Solid Waste By-laws, etc.

Confusing right? We are working on creating new regional by-laws & policies, but as they are legal documents, this takes time. We thank you for your patience and are here to answer any questions you may have.

### One of Council's strategic priorities includes expanding ways we communicate with you. Some include:

- newsletters • radio • mail inserts • public meetings
- animated videos • telephone • e-mail • in-person

- Website - [www.westhants.ca](http://www.westhants.ca)
- Twitter @RegMunWWH
- Instagram @whrm\_ns
- YouTube - West Hants Regional Municipality
- Facebook
  - West Hants Regional Municipality
  - West Hants Parks and Rec
  - Windsor/West Hants EMO
  - WHRM - Connecting our Communities



### WHRM Committees

We have a variety of committees that meet for various matters. Many have resident members sitting on them for input, expertise, and engagement. Some include:

Committee	Composition	Meeting Frequency
• Committee of the Whole	Council	2nd Tues, each month
• Planning/Heritage Advisory	Council & Residents	2nd Thurs, each month
• Council	Council	4th Tues, each month
• Accessibility Advisory	Council & Residents	Monthly (but no set dates)
• Police Advisory	Council & Residents	3rd Mon, quarterly

**Committee Info Meeting & Committee Policy** <https://www.westhants.ca/council-policies.html>

**Agendas/Minutes** <https://www.westhants.ca/government/council-documents.html>



### REAL ESTATE IN WEST HANTS IS HOT!

Things to consider when moving into, out of, or within our beautiful region.

#### Moving in:

- Sign a water contract (If on municipal water/sewer in the communities of Three Mile Plains, Wentworth, Hantsport, Falmouth, or Windsor)
- Check out our Pre-Authorized Payment (PAP) Program for taxes and water
- Obtain a dog license
- Pick up a waste collection schedule

#### Moving out:

- Cancel your water contract
- Cancel your Pre-Authorized Payments (PAP) for taxes and water

STAY IN TOUCH,  
WE'RE SORRY  
TO SEE YOU GO!

More info at [westhants.ca](http://westhants.ca) or call 902-798-8391

## Payment Options

Did you know that we have a variety of convenient ways to help pay for your services/programs?

- In-person: cash, debit, or cheque
- Online or over the phone through your financial institution
- Cheques can be mailed or placed in a sealed envelope for the drop box at our main office
- Pre-authorized Payment (PAP) - for taxes or water, and you must enrol with us first

Info at <https://www.westhants.ca/payment-options.html>

Payment questions - Ask Rhonda, Revenue Services Coordinator, [rbrown@westhants.ca](mailto:rbrown@westhants.ca) or call 902-798-8391, Ext. 138

## Let's get the lead out!

Nothing is more important than providing customers with safe, reliable, and affordable water. We treat and test water to ensure it is lead-free when it leaves our treatment facility and travels through the water mains. But some older homes may have lead service lines, plumbing materials, and faucets.

Are you a WHRM Water Utility customer and interested in a **FREE** lead sampling program? We are looking for 20 homes (per area) in Three Mile Plains, Windsor, Falmouth and Hantsport. Homes will be selected based on the highest risk potential, should be built pre-1985, and contain lead plumbing, copper pipes with lead soldering, and brass fixtures.

Information and registration at [www.westhants.ca/we-need-your-help-to-get-the-lead-out.html](http://www.westhants.ca/we-need-your-help-to-get-the-lead-out.html)

## FAQS ABOUT LEAD IN WATER FROM PIPES AND PLUMBING

HOW DO I KNOW IF MY DRINKING WATER CONTAINS LEAD?



### Let's get the lead out?

Sign up for our free lead testing program at [westhants.ca/we-need-your-help-to-get-the-lead-out.html](http://westhants.ca/we-need-your-help-to-get-the-lead-out.html)