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Tree lighting 2020



Thank you to our sponsor NewLine Electrical Ltd.,
tree lighting helpers (Molly & Fletcher),
Mark Manning, MHA Kevin Parsons, Santa, Canadian AV &
all that attended our Tree Lighting Event in person & virtually!

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“2020 has provided many challenges for the people of our province and community, starting with Snowmageddon and then with the COVID-19 Pandemic. Our staff and council were no exception to these challenges. Despite the economic adversity many municipalities have had to face, we are pleased to have again this year managed to balance our budget without property tax increases for our residents. I recognize the hard work, and commend our Staff and Finance Committee of Council for managing tax payer’s dollars with such prudence and efficiency. We are committed in our effort to keeping costs under control, yet providing our residents with continued improvements within the service level you expect. I wish all of our residents a safe and very Happy Holidays!”

- Mayor Bert Hickey

LBMCOG announced as Winner of the takeCHARGE of Your Town Challenge!

Over 30 towns applied for this funding opportunity to make energy efficient upgrades to their town facilities. Our application was selected, along with the Town of Little Bay, for a **\$7,500.00** contribution towards our proposed project!



Our proposal included upgrades to the Justina Centre to make the facility more comfortable for you, our residents!

“As the holiday season approaches and our year comes to an end, I want to thank each and every one of you for your support, as well as your resilience and leadership over the last 12 months. Whether dealing with Snowmageddon or the COVID-19 pandemic, or simply the running of our Town, everyone has shown great leadership and resolve in keeping our families, friends and neighbours safe. I hope we all retain these traits in 2021 as challenging times are still ahead of us and we are all in this together. I assure you my commitment to LBMCOG will not change. I am proud to serve. From my family to yours, I wish you a wonderful holiday season and a safe and happy New Year.”

- Councillor Bradley Power

RECREATION & COMMUNITY EVENTS



Based on the turnout and smiling faces, this event will be back next year!

“Along with most things in 2020, this Christmas season will be different. We will continue listening to the needs of our residents as we all work together to mitigate the risk of COVID-19 in our community. Stay tuned to our online platforms for current information on what’s going on in our Town, as well as new campaigns such as ‘Meet the Team’! I wish a heartfelt Merry Christmas and a safe and healthy New Year to our dedicated staff and the proud residents of our community.”

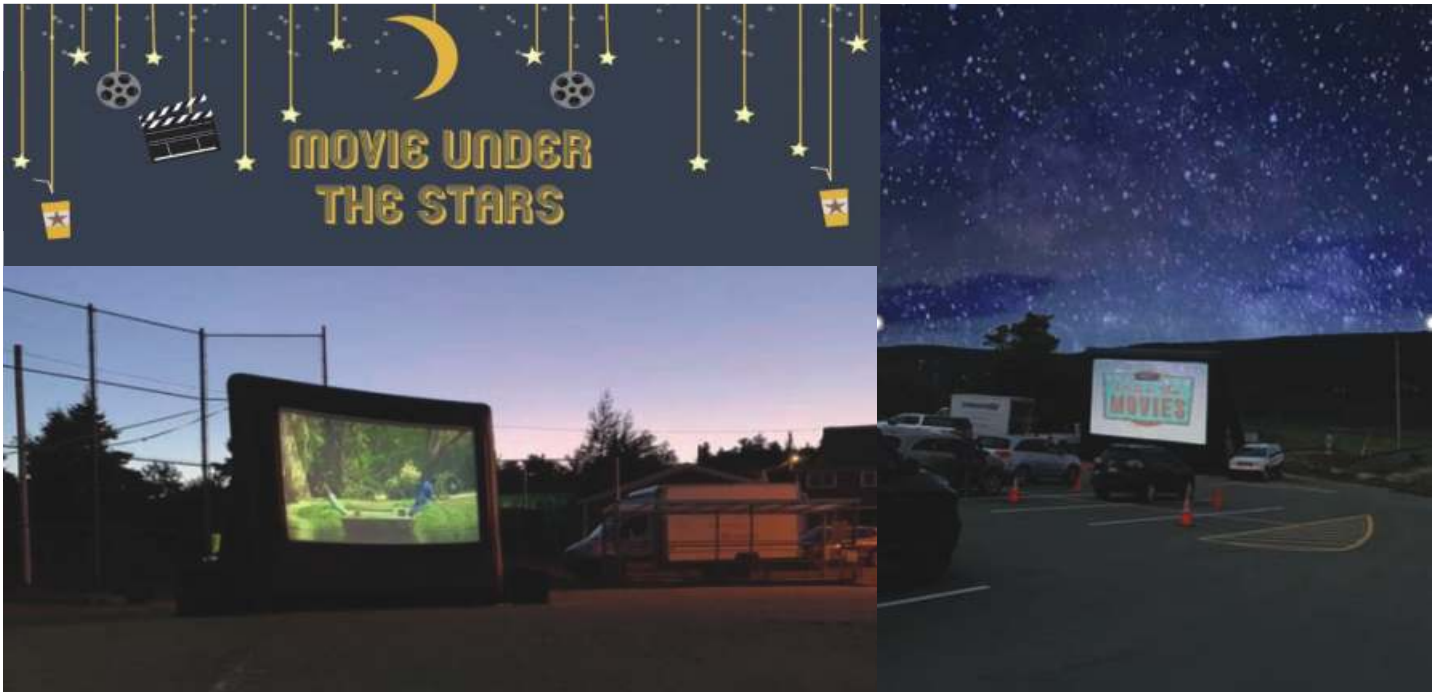
- Deputy Mayor James Cadigan

Chair; Recreation & Community Events and Communications

Everyone’s Safety Is Always The Town’s Priority When Making Any Decision.

Due to the ongoing global pandemic, and the restrictions that could likely be in place for the near future, Town Council has decided to postpone the events planned for Come Home Year 2021. We want to ensure that this event is given the true spotlight it deserves and that everyone is safe and healthy. We will be prepared for an amazing event as soon as we are in a comfortable position to host such an amazing festival!

RECREATION & COMMUNITY EVENTS



In working within the public health guidelines, the Town was able to proceed with numerous community events this Fall. The children loved the outdoor movies in Kelly Park, along with other festive activities throughout the season. Community programming such as Gentle Yoga, Fun 'n' Fit and Pilates were a great success at the Justina Centre. Community Groups such as Sparkes, Brownies and Girl Guides were able to continue their programs as well! We look forward to what 2021 has in store for our Community Events!



CONGRATULATIONS TO ...



Congratulations to resident **Kate Hickey** on being a recipient of the **Sport NL Scholarship Award!**

Kate is a member of the Memorial Seahawks Soccer team and is also our Soccer Coordinator and Supervisor for KPSA.

Way to go Kate!



Congratulations to **Pat O'Rourke** on receiving the **2020 Canadian Veterans Commendation Award!**

The Commendation Award is "awarded to individuals who have performed commendable service to the Veteran Community and/or individuals who represent commendable role models for their fellow Veterans."



PC MHA **Kevin Parsons** is calling it a career. Kevin Parsons has represented Cape St. Francis since 2008.

Kevin has been a remarkable leader and will be greatly missed as our Member of the House of Assembly. He has also been very involved in our community, as well as many others, and we thank him for his hard work and dedication over the years.

All the Best in your future endeavours Kevin!



Congratulations to Town resident **Alyssa Devereaux**.

Alyssa is the first woman to run the North Section of the East Coast Trail unbroken. She ran this 105 km trail in 25 hours from Topsail to Quidi Vidi!

What an amazing accomplishment!



Kathryn Cole & Haleigh Hoff

The recipients of the 2020 Ray Bonia Memorial Scholarships. We wish both ladies the best of luck with their future studies!

PUBLIC WORKS

“In this current world of uncertainty, may the constant and familiar peace and love of Christmas be with you and yours.

We have another exciting year ahead for public works projects. We are upgrading for the sustainable future of our Town. New subdivisions, widening Snow's Lane intersection at Logy Bay Road, upgrades at the Justina Centre, cross culvert replacements, improving road safety by the school and church, brush cutting, ditching, recapping roads, municipal natural asset services management. It should be a busy year once the winter ends. Merry Christmas everyone!”

- Councillor Paul Ryan



HIGHLIGHTS OF the 2020 Construction Season:

- Roadside Ditch Cleaning (approx. 3 kms)
- Shoulder Maintenance (approx. 2 kms)
- Asphalt Patching of approx. 15,000 sq. feet.
- Town Hall Roof Replacement
- Upgrading of Culverts
 - o (Barnes Road/ Lower Road)
 - o Hickey's Road
 - o Doran's Lane
- Completion of Cobbler Crescent Parking Lot
- Annual Road Sweeping and Line Painting
- Roadside Clearing
- 2020 Roads Paving Program
 - o Repave section of Logy Bay Road
 - o Upgrade & Pave St. Francis Road
 - o Resurface McDonald's Road

Why is Roadside Clearing Important?

Maintaining roadsides is an important issue for the Town for safety and aesthetic reasons. A healthy roadside environment reduces maintenance needs and costs, reduces erosion and improves water quality, improves water infiltration and reduces runoff, preserves the roadside surface, maximizes safety for vehicles and travellers, maintains good public relations and improves the overall driving experience.



PUBLIC WORKS



Important Points

LBMCOC's Snow Clearing Regulations

Between November 1 and April 30, no person shall park at any time an unattended vehicle upon a road or road shoulder OR at the end of Doran's Lane and Red Cliff Road.

The Town is not responsible for any damage caused to any structure that is within the road's right-of way.

Full Regulations are posted on the Town's website at www.lbmcoc.ca under Municipal Services → Roads & Traffic

SNOWCLEARING 2020/2021

JAT Excavating Inc.

Reminders

Each property is allotted a maximum of 10 bags of garbage per week (max. bag weight of 50 pounds)

Garbage should only consist of household material (do not include sharp objects, liquids or commercial/residential renovation material)

2021 Magnetic Recycling Calendars are on the way!



GARBAGE & RECYCLING COLLECTION 2021 Around the Bay Disposal

DID YOU KNOW?

[YOU can report a Streetlight Outage!](#)

We encourage our residents to report these outages as soon as you notice them to assist in keeping our streets safe.

Please contact the Town by phone 726-7930 or email office@lbmcoc.ca OR complete the online reporting template at: <https://secure.newfoundlandpower.com/en/Outages/Report-a-Street-Light-Out>

**Hint: Including the pole number will usually result in the streetlight being replaced sooner! **

COMMUNICATIONS

Killick Coast Traffic Committee

In partnership with the RNC and our neighbouring Town's we have formed a new committee scheduled to start meeting immediately!

The goal of this committee is to keep an open flow of communication with the RNC on issues and activities that are occurring in our Town's. This is a fabulous initiative that will contribute to keeping our Town safe and closely monitored.

The RNC want to hear from us! If you witness any of the following incidents be sure your concern is heard by completing the RNC's new online reporting tool at:

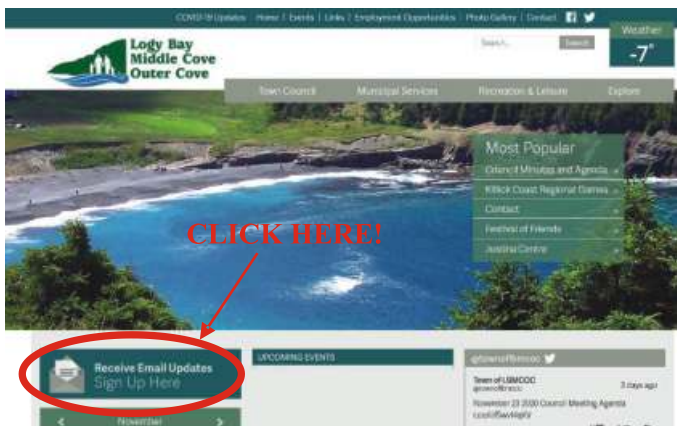
<https://www.rnc.gov.nl.ca/services/incident-reporting/>

- Lost Property - Theft under \$5,000 - Theft from a Motor Vehicle
- Property Damage - Damage to a Vehicle - Motor Vehicle Accidents



**Keep your eyes peeled for our
NEW Sign coming to the
Town Hall!**

**This modern, double-sided,
LED illuminated sign will be
filled with all kinds of
important information for
you, our residents!**



DID YOU KNOW?

Stay in the know with **CONSTANT CONTACT**

Constant Contact is another tool we use to keep residents informed. By signing up for this service, you will receive emails on the Town's ongoing notices including event registration/reminders, public works notices, activities, short-term notices, input requests, etc.

Registration is quick and easy; all you need is an email address.

Check it out at: www.lbmcoc.ca

SAFETY & EMERGENCY PLANNING

Walkers and cyclists :



“I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our residents Happy Holidays. Although this has been a year many of us will not forget, I am wishing everyone good health and safety over the holidays. As the chair of the Safety & Emergency Planning Committee, 2020 has given me much experience and has kept me busy. I look forward to working with you all in 2021 and continuing to help make our Town safer. From my bubble to yours, Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!”

- **Councillor Ashley Politi**
Chair; Safety & Emergency Planning



On October 13, 2020, Council adopted a **‘Parking Lot Safety and Vehicle Operation Policy’**

Many drivers find that backing into a parking space affords them more visibility when exiting the space. Because the front of your vehicle will be directed towards the parking lot, you will have a clearer view of your exit if you back into parking spaces instead of driving into them.



We are currently at Level **2**

The health and safety of our Town is always priority. All decisions are made within the best interest of Town staff and residents. We are continuously monitoring the updated guidelines located at www.gov.nl.ca/covid-19/



2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People can move about more. • Those at higher risk of complications due to COVID-19 should stay at home as much as possible, except to get essentials like groceries and medications. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gatherings at funerals, burials and weddings are expanded to 50 people with physical distancing. Wakes remain prohibited. • Outdoor gatherings of up to 50 people are permitted with physical distancing. • Places of worship are permitted to resume operations with some restrictions. • Gyms and fitness facilities are permitted to open with some restrictions. • Arenas can open. • Indoor pools can open. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overnight camping is permitted in all forms, including tenting. • Playground equipment can be used. • Regional health authorities will continue to allow some health care services to resume. • Further expansion of visitation in health care to be determined. • Bars and lounges are permitted to open with reduced occupancy. • Indoor entertainment facilities can reopen with reduced occupancy (e.g. bingo halls, cinemas). • Performance spaces can reopen with reduced occupancy.
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SAFETY & EMERGENCY PLANNING

Speed Sign Installation Impact

- * 29,228 vehicles (66%) were violating the speed limit in the 2 weeks prior to speed bump installation
- * Speed violations dropped by 34% (13,489 vehicles) over the 2 weeks after speed bump installation
- * Average speed dropped by 8.7km/h after the installation of speed bumps

Maximum Speed Recorded - 123 km/h

Pine Line



Maximum Speed Recorded - 123 km/h

Logy Bay Road



Maximum Speed Recorded - 137 km/h

Lower Road



Maximum Speed Recorded - 143 km/h

Middle Cove Road



**RADAR SPEED SIGNS
REALLY DO WORK
TO SLOW DOWN
TRAFFIC!**



To engage the children in safety, we asked for their feedback on some safety messages that we added to our existing Town Gateway signs.

Check out the great responses we received!



ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

Our Town is constantly seeking and availing of funding opportunities in all sectors of our operation. Funding allows us to complete more projects through supporting key municipal development strategies and typically improves project outcomes.



Funding Opportunities your Town applied for in 2020:

- Government of NL; Dept. of Environment, Climate Change & Municipalities: 2021-2022 Municipal Capital Works
- Canadian Heritage: COVID-19 Emergency Fund for Heritage Organizations
- Newfoundland Power & NL Hydro: takeCHARGE! of your Town Challenge
- Landscape NL Horticultural Association: The Forgotten Corner Beautification Project
- Employment and Social Development Canada: Enabling Accessibility Fund for Youth Innovation
- Government of NL; Dept. of Tourism, Culture, Arts & Recreation: Community Healthy Living Fund
- Government of NL; Dept. of Immigration, Skills & Labour Student Summer Employment Program
- Employment and Social Development Canada: Canada Summer Jobs
- Government of NL; Dept. of Environment, Climate Change & Municipalities: COVID-19 Stimulus Program (CSP)
- Memorial University Co-operative Education: Small Enterprise Co-operative Placement Assistance Program



Despite the financial impacts of Snowmagedden and COVID-19, Council is proud to pass its 4th consecutive budget with no tax rate increases.

Be Sure to check out the back page for **Budget 2021 Details!**

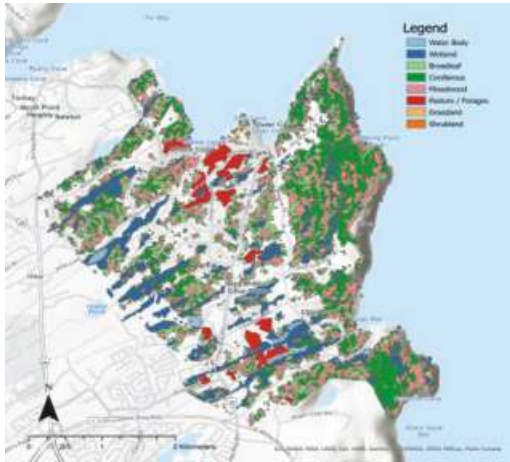
“2020 has certainly brought its share of challenges from Snowmagedden to COVID-19. As a Town known for its committed first responders and front-line workers, I would like to publicly thank them for helping guide us through these stressful times. Thank you as well to our Town staff who quickly adapted to keep our Town operational.

COVID-19 has also brought its share of hardship to many families, and our Town would be no different. As Chair of the Finance committee, please be assured our Finance Officer and Town Manager are available to help you in a confidential environment to address your needs. Please do not hesitate to give either of them a call should you require any assistance.

I wish you all a safe and happy holiday season, and should you need anything, please do not hesitate to call.”

- Councillor Brian Roche
Chair; Administration & Finance

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT



Town Plan and Development Regulations

Council is pleased to inform its residents that our Town Plan and Development Regulations is now ready to present for public review and commentary. All Town property owners, government departments and agencies and adjacent municipalities will receive written correspondence in the mail advising that the information is publicized on the website for review and commentary, if necessary. After the required time period, there will be virtual meetings held to discuss and clarify the documents. Council will then review and discuss all commentary received and make any changes, if deemed necessary. Our final Town Plan and Development Regulations will then be sent for provincial registration. At that point, the Town will commence accepting development applications that currently require rezoning.

“As 2020 draws to a close, the Town is finalizing the new Town Plan & Development Regulations. These documents will guide the development of the Town for the next 10 years. Although this process to finalize the documents has been longer than originally anticipated, it is felt that, once completed, the Town will be in a better position to provide clarity to both property owners and developers, as we move forward collectively. These documents will support the Town’s vision of a sustainable rural community, while ensuring the protection of the Town’s natural assets.”

- Councillor Denis Hickey
Chair; Planning & Development

DID YOU KNOW?

Our Town is a part of the Municipal Natural Assets Initiative

We are changing our point of view to recognize the value and services provided by our abundant natural assets, and we hope to be able to protect and preserve them for the long-term sustainability of our Town. The importance of these natural assets will be recognized in the pending Municipal Plan and Development Regulations as the focus of the plan review is on environmental stewardship of our natural assets.

This great initiative is led by Councillor Paul Ryan!

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Town Office: 726-7930
24-hour answering service for
urgent residential concerns.

Check our website at
www.lbmcoc.ca for
recycling guidelines

Please help keep our streets safe! If you see a light out, complete Newfoundland Power's online
'Report a Street Light Out' form at:
www.newfoundlandpower.com/Outages/Report-a-Street-Light-Out



BALANCED BUDGET 2021



We focus on ensuring that we manage our Town in a way that represents the wants and needs of our residents. This budget represents what we heard from you, the owners of our Town.

Council adopted Budget 2021, in the amount of **\$3,134,012.35**, at its regular meeting on November 23, 2020



ENGINEERED STUDIES/PROPOSALS

- Trail Enhancement Study
- Stack's Point Memorial Park Design
- Recreation Master Plan
- Natural & Engineered Asset Management



RECREATION

- Continued Programing
- Community Events
- Hosting 2021 Killick Coast Games



FUNDING SUPPORT

- Logy Bay Development Association
- East Coast Trail
- Kelly Park Sports Association
- LBMCOE Museum
- Jack Byrne Arena Financial Support



SAFETY

- Fire Protection
- New Radar Speed Signs
- Traffic Calming Analysis
- Safety Courses for Residents



PUBLIC WORKS

- 2021 Road Upgrading & Paving Program
- Ditching & Shouldering Maintenance
- Roadside Clearing Program

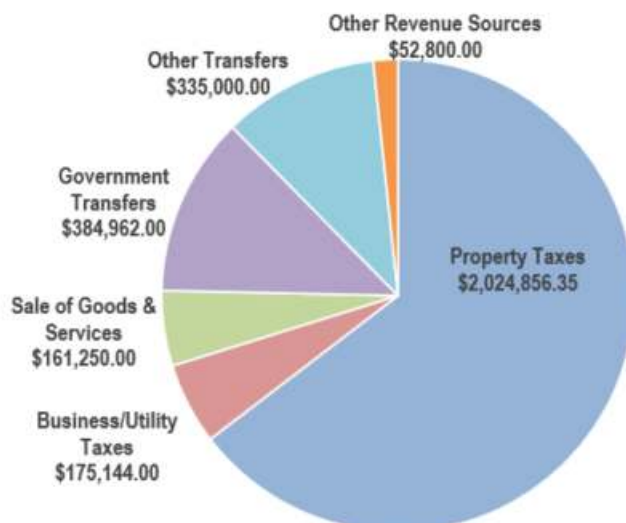


CAPITAL PROJECTS

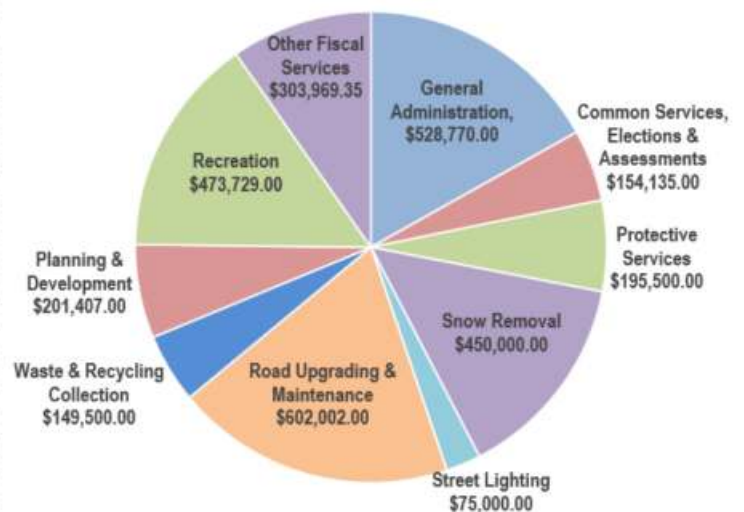
- Upgrades to Outer Cove Rd. at St. Francis of Assisi School Zone
- Snow's Lane & Logy Bay Rd. Intersection Upgrades
- Kelly Park Ballfield Overhead Lights Installation
- Upgrades to the Justina Centre
- Cadigan's Rd. & O'Brien's Place Culvert Upgrades

This Council is proud to pass its 4th consecutive budget with **no rate increases** during its term.

TOWN REVENUE



TOWN EXPENDITURES



We recognize the significant impact COVID-19 has had, and these may be challenging times for some of our residents. Please do not hesitate to reach out confidentially to Town staff should you require assistance with your 2021 property assessment.