

# MAYOR'S MONTHLY UPDATE



## Current Issue – March, 2023

Winter winds down this month and spring begins with longer days and warmer temperatures. Here are some highlights from March.

**1] Wastewater Funding:** The Federal and Provincial Governments and the Town of Lunenburg announced almost \$10 million dollars to upgrade our wastewater treatment facility. This crucial project is the largest and most important step toward modernizing the Town's wastewater system. This support is both welcomed and appreciated. For more information – check out the FACT sheet: <https://townoflunenburg.ca/news-release-new-wastewater-infrastructure-for-lunenburg.html>

**2] Volunteer Award:** Jamie Ernst is the Town's 2023 Volunteer of the Year. Jamie has been a volunteer with the Health Services Foundation of the South Shore and other organizations for almost 20 years. He has helped the Radiothon raise more than \$1.5 million. Jamie will represent the community at a provincial ceremony in Halifax later this year. Read about Jamie here: <https://www.facebook.com/photo?fbid=520506963603510&set=a.171813695139507>

**3] New Vending Bylaw Update:** The Town's Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) held a public participation meeting on Feb. 27, 2023 to discuss proposed amendments to the Land Use Bylaw regarding vending. There were no submissions for or against the proposed amendments. There will be a public hearing on the Land Use Bylaw amendments on April 11, 2023, at 6 p.m. at Town Hall. Council will consider the proposed Vending Bylaw at the same meeting. For more information on the proposed amendments, please visit: <https://townoflunenburg.ca/proposed-amendments-to-mps-and-lub.html>

**4] Architectural Control Areas Update:** The Town's Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) held a public participation on Feb. 27, 2023 meeting to discuss proposed amendments to remove the Architectural Control Areas (ACAs) in preparation for the new Heritage Conservation District Plan and Bylaw. There were no submissions for or against the proposed amendments. Public hearings for both these amendments and the new Heritage Bylaw will be held in the coming months. For more information, please visit the link in **3]**.

**5] Staff Updates:** I'd like to welcome two new staff members: Chris Clarke is the new Facilities Labourer and Lauren Isabelle is the new Planner. Trevor Hume has been promoted from Planning Technician to Planner/Development Officer. Heather MacCallum has taken a position with the Village of Chester, and we wish her the best of luck. Her former responsibilities will be shared among existing staff.

We are heading into budget season very soon. We will share a comprehensive breakdown with the public regarding the Town's long-term financial outlook so please watch for that.

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*Mayor Risser issues an update on the last Friday of every month. If you'd like to have this emailed to you directly, please contact [mbest@townoflunenburg.ca](mailto:mbest@townoflunenburg.ca).*