



# The Town of Flatrock

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## **AFTER HOURS EMERGENCIES**

Town staff is **NOT** to be called after hours; they can be reached through the Town office Monday to Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.

For after hour emergencies the Town Council can be reached at the following numbers:

Kevin Butt	Tourism / Finance / Community center	233-2329
Tony Grace	Roads / Snowclearing / Streetlights	437-6825
	Animal & Garbage Control	
Bob Schmiedendorf	Planning / Tourism / Finance	437-6255
Marion McCarthy	Recreation / Heritage / Soiree	437-6945
	Regional Games	
Michelle Martin	Recreation / Heritage/ Clean-up	437-5016
Brian Martin	Roads / Snow clearing	437-7665
Darrin Thorne	Animal & Garbage Control	437-5654
	Streetlights / Planning	

## **TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Deadline for applications or correspondence for Flatrock Town Council meetings are noon on the Thursdays before the meeting. The Town Council meets every second Monday and is open to the public at all times. If you wish to speak to Council on a matter, please call ahead of time so we can put your name on the agenda. The next council meetings are Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, April 24<sup>th</sup> and May 7<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 pm.

## **PROPERTY TAXES**

For all residents 2012 property taxes are in the mail and you should have them by now and were due the end of February, 2012, no interest will be applied until June 30, 2012. Tax payments can be made by monthly installments. Payments are accepted by visa, mastercard, debit, cheques and cash as well as post - dated cheques at the town office between the hours of 8:30 to 4:30, Monday to Friday. Forms for payments are available on the web site or at the Town office.

## **ASSESSMENT NEWS**

The Municipal Assessment Agency staff is working on the revaluation due for 2013 annual assessment. "The assessment rolls for 2013 will be delivered to municipalities in early October 2012,". "The values will be based on January 2011, as prescribed by the Assessment Act, 2006." By July, 2012 the Agency will provide an update to municipalities on the local impact of the new valuation property. Assessment values in 2013 will be higher than 2012.

## **SOIREE 2012**

The 2012 Flatrock Soiree will be held on July 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. There will be a Soiree meeting on April 19<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 pm at Flatrock Town Hall. The Soiree Committee is looking for new volunteers, if you would like to volunteer you may attend the meeting or contact the Town Office at 437-6312.

## **FLATROCK GARDEN PARTY**

St. Michael's Ladies Auxiliary will be holding their Garden Party on Sunday, July 8, 2012 at 2:00. All the usual attractions, including a Turkey Tea supper, eat in or take out.

## **RECYCLING DATES**

The next few dates for recycling will be: April 11<sup>th</sup>, April 25<sup>th</sup> and May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012. Please have your recycling out with your garbage by 8:00 am on those dates. Remember greasy containers such as chicken boxes and buckets as well as pizza boxes are not recyclable. Just a reminder, you can drop off your recyclables, the ones you pay a deposit on, to the Town Garage or the Town Hall. These recyclables are going into an account at the Evergreen Recycling Depot and all money raised will go to the Flatrock Recreation Program. If you would like to donate your recycling to the Flatrock Recreation Program, drop them off at the Evergreen Recycling Depot marked "**Town of Flatrock**".

## **BULK GARBAGE CLEAN UP**

The Town of Flatrock will be having a bulk garbage cleanup, during the last week of May or the first week of June. More information will follow.

## **POLE LIGHTS**

If any pole lights are out near your home you may contact the Town Office and we will let Newfoundland Power know of this situation. If the number that is on that pole can be provided to the council office, this will speed up the process of getting the light replaced. The Town of Flatrock requested that Light and Power install a pole light at the intersection of the Bye Pass road and Pouch Cove Highway, this has been installed now. The intersection is now lit up.

## **NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FOR RED HEAD ROAD**

The Town of Flatrock is the winner of the 1st RONA Kids Advantage program. Rona is pleased to announce the launch of the "Rona Kids Advantage Program". Teaming up with Henderson Recreation, Canada's largest 100% owned and operated playground manufacturer, the "Rona kids Advantage Program" will help communities realize their dreams of new playground's. Rona /Henderson Recreation will make a bigger and better playground available to a selected community by offering a custom play structure at a highly discounted price. Rona will pay for the freight and installation supervisor costs associated with the playground equipment. The playground will be installed by the winning community under the direction of a qualified playground installation supervisor and a team of volunteers provided by Rona, Henderson Recreation and the winning community. The first "Rona Kids Advantage Playground" is tentatively scheduled to be installed in the spring of 2012. Flatrock will be looking for volunteers to help with the installation of the new playground in the spring. You may contact the town by calling 437-6312 or email [info@townofflatrock.com](mailto:info@townofflatrock.com).

## **STUDENT SUMMER APPLICATIONS**

The Town of Flatrock will be accepting resumes for positions with the town for summer employment; students must be finishing grade 10 in June 2012 or attending post secondary in September 2012. Resumes will be accepted at the Town Hall until 4 pm on April 30, 2012. Please specify if you are applying for summer work with the town, community center or heritage (museum). The number of jobs available depends on the government funding approved. Applications are now available on the Town of Flatrock website and at the Town office.

## **ST. PATRICK'S DAY COLORING CONTEST WINNERS**

Congratulations to the winners of the St. Patrick's Day coloring contest.

The winners were as follows:

2 years and under	Cameron Allen
3 – 5 years	Xander Stamp
6 – 8 years	Taylor Clowe
9 – 12 years	Kaitlyn Dalton

## **NEW OCCUPANCY PERMITS**

A "Building Application" must be accompanied by one copy of a certified survey plan, one copy of building plans for proposed construction and application processing fee of \$50.00 (residential) plus **\$500.00 occupancy/security** deposit and processing fee of \$75.00 (commercial construction). If you are applying for a building permit that is discretionary in any zone, a fee of \$75.00 plus cost recovery must be enclosed to cover required advertising. An occupancy permit will be required from the Town of Flatrock before permit to build is issued. An occupancy or security deposit of \$500, with \$400 refundable upon occupancy or applied to property taxes, is required to be paid to the Town before conditional permit will be given. Upon receipt of a "Real Property Report" (which is a survey where your footings are located or the "foot print" of your house) a permit to build will be issued at a cost of \$.30 per square foot.

## **SOCCER**

Flatrock and Area Soccer Recreational League will be holding their registration on May 15<sup>th</sup> and May 17<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. at Flatrock Town Hall. The age for registration is 4 years old before December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012 to 17 years old. Volunteers are needed to help coach during the summer games.

## **DOG TAGS**

If you would like your dog or even your cat registered in the town, so we would know who owns the pet if it should get out, then just drop by the town office and get a license for your pet, they are **FREE OF CHARGE**.

## **CENSUS**

Results of the 2011 Census of Population have been released by Statistics Canada. Flatrock has grown the most in this area with a 20 per cent increase in population coming second in the province behind the Town of Paradise. The town now has 1,457 residents and 543 private dwellings. The town has a population density of 80.4 persons per square kilometer, with a land area of 18.12 square kilometers.

## **BIZPAL**

BizPaL is an online service, [www.bizpal.gov.nl.ca](http://www.bizpal.gov.nl.ca) providing permit and licence information to help entrepreneurs start and grow their business. BizPal provides integrated information on permits, licences and other regulatory requirements across three levels of government. BizPal's web-based, self service application is practical, free and easy to use. Using a question and answer format, BizPal generates an accurate, timely and customized list of permits and licences that entrepreneurs may require to start or grow a business.

## **KILLICK COAST REGIONAL GAMES**

The Killick Coast Regional Games are schedule for August 26<sup>th</sup> to August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012 in Outer Cove.

## **ZUMBA**

Come join Zumba classes at the Flatrock Community Center every Sunday (excluding Easter Sunday) from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. Drop in classes are \$5.00 per class.

## **JUMP IT**

Residents are advised that our "Jump It" Program will be returning on April 18<sup>th</sup> for the spring session. Sessions will be held at Cape St. Francis Elementary School on Wednesday nights from 6:30 to 7:20 pm from April 18<sup>th</sup> to June 13<sup>th</sup> (no class May 16<sup>th</sup>). Registration will be held on Wednesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at Cape St. Francis Elementary from 6:30 to 7:15 pm. Registration fees are \$10.00 per person and \$5.00 per additional person in the same immediate family. For more information you may call Matthew at 335-2270.