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Public Notices

Family

Care

Do you need a



Nurse Practitioner?

To Register for a Family Care Team



patientconnect.nlchi.nl.ca

1.833.913.4679

"Family Care Teams" are health professionals that come together to deliver care that meets both an individual's health and social needs.

If you do not have a care provider, register with Patient Connect.

For more information:

https://healthcareaction.ca/

family-care-teams/

2023 Waste Transfer Schedule

December 9th

Operating hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Visit <u>www.gandercanada.com</u> for more information.





December 2nd @ 6 pm

The Parade will begin at Gander Academy on Fraser Road, take a left onto Elizabeth Drive, a left onto Airport Blvd driving up to Fraser Road and back to the Academy.

Please note: There will be a quiet zone after the intersection of Airport Blvd/ Elizabeth Drive from Sullivan Ave to Fraser Road. This means no music, sirens or any noise in that area.



Housing Expansion Initiative

Our on-line Housing Needs Assessment survey, running until mid-January 2024, is designed to gather information related to housing issues in the community.

Community members, stakeholders and general public are encouraged to participate.

During the period from the first (1st) day of November of each year, to the thirtieth (30th) day of April in the following year, no person shall park an unattended vehicle, regardless of weather conditions, upon any highway between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 8:00 a.m.

No person shall park any motor vehicle on any highway in such a way as to interfere with, hinder or obstruct snow clearing operations



For more information visit the Town's Build Up Gander page or take the <u>survey</u>



On October 17, 2023, the Department of Education launched the <u>Childcare Demand Portal</u> to assess and understand the current demand for childcare services.

Parents and guardians in need of childcare are strongly encouraged to visit the portal and input their information so that the Department of Education can plan more focused space creation.

For additional information visit:

CANADA

https://www.gov.nl.ca/releases/2023/education/ 1017n01/

TOWN OF GANDER CHRISTMAS EVENTS

TOWN OF GANDER CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING NOVEMBER 29 @ 6:30 P.M. - TOWN HALL GANDER LIONS CLUB SANTA CLAUS PARADE DECEMBER 2 @ 6 P.M. - STREETS OF GANDER CHRISTMAS "LIKE, SHARE & COMMENT" CONTEST **DECEMBER 4-8** RECREATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES FACEBOOK PAGE THE GRINCH PET PHOTO CONTEST DECEMBER 13-15 **RECREATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES FACEBOOK PAGE** SKATE WITH SANTA DECEMBER 17 @ 2 P.M. - STEELE COMMUNITY CENTRE WALKER/SKATER CHRISTMAS SOCIAL DECEMBER 21 @ 9 A.M. - STEELE COMMUNITY CENTRE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS PICTURE SCAVENGER HUNT DECEMBER 22-31 RECREATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES FACEBOOK PAGE FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT 651-5927 OR VISIT WWW.GANDERCANADA.COM

Town Council



Council Meeting Schedule: Next meeting: December 20, 2023 at 4 p.m.

Members of the public can attend at the Town Hall or view from home on RogersTV Channel 9 or www.rogerstv.com/gander. The Town of Gander also live tweets during the meeting at www.twitter.com/townofgander.

<u>Click here for meeting schedule and agendas</u> <u>**Click here for meeting minutes**</u>

November 22nd Council Meeting Highlights

- Council presented Certificates of Appreciation to Civic Enhancement Committee members: Kim Elms, Debbie Waye, Jack Waye, Randall Mercer, Diane Lomand, and Glenn Blandford. Their commitment to improving our town is an inspiration to us all!
- The 2023 Art Procurement Program (APP) reviewed 22 artworks from 12 local artists. Judges chose: "Harvest Moon, Gander Golf Club" by Barbara Brazil, "Deadman's Pond" by Walt Gill, "Evening Magic" by Kristina Nicole, "Sky Hero" by Donna Wellon and "The Goose and Gander" by Chloe Penney. The Residents Choice award went to "Home of the Heroes" by Jared Whalen bringing the Town's public collection to 76 pieces since the APP's inception in 2007. The new artworks will be displayed in the main lobby at the Town Hall through 2024.
- Mayor Percy Farwell was recognized by the Municipalities Newfoundland & Labrador for his 16 years of municipal service.
- The Community Services Committee (CSC) reviewed a funding request for a 2024 Solar Eclipse Festival which will take place April 8, 2024. The Committee agreed that the department will provide staffing support for this event and will consider budget requests under a possible hosting grant.
- The Town of Gander is pleased to report that the lighting up of Cobb's Pond project is proceeding, with possible completion before holiday season. The Town would like to thank the Gander Rotary Club for their support and enthusiasm.
- The 2024 snow plan proposes to add Yeager, Henley and Forester to Route #2 while Alcock, Wilcockson, Medcalf and Nungesser will be added to Route #1. The Town of Gander asks that ensure vehicles are not parked on the street while Town staff are undertaking snow clearing efforts, and that driveway markers are at least 1m behind

curbs or sidewalks. Residents are reminded that it is illegal to plow or blow snow and ice into the streets.

- The Silent Hero Award is presented annually by the Atlantic Canada water and wastewater association to recognize the outstanding contributions of water and wastewater operators in each of the four Atlantic Canada provinces. In 2023, employee Mr. Doyle Whitt was nominated by the GOVNL Department of Environment and Climate Change. Council would like to extend congratulations to Doyle as the 2023 recipient of the Silent Hero Award and recognize his continued work and dedication to the Town of Gander.
- Council has received an application from a developer to construct a six-unit apartment building at 19-21 Briggs Street (a Residential Medium Density zone). The Planning and Public Works Committee recommended that Council use their Discretion to approve the application.
- The GLS Committee has examined a staff report detailing the advantages and disadvantages of managing comments on social media. Given the limited availability of resources for continuous monitoring, the organization perceives that the current tools primarily serve as a means of information dissemination. (In the absence of timely two-way interaction, the Committee suggests temporarily disabling comments to evaluate the effectiveness of engagement. Residents with questions about shared information are encouraged to reach out through info@gandercanada.com, or call 709-651-2930.

Event	Date/Time	Additional Information
Lions' Club Santa Claus Parade	December 2 6 p.m.	Parade begins at Gander Academy on Fraser Rd. Route continues along Elizabeth to Airport, and back along Fraser
Christmas Like, Share, Comment Contest	December 4 - 8	Check out the Town of Gander Recreation and Community Services Facebook page for more information
Waste Transfer Station	December 9 8 a.m. to 4 p.m	More information on rates and fees is available at www.gandercanada.com/wts or by calling 709-651-5938
38th Anniversary of the Arrow Air Disaster Memorial Service	December 12 11 a.m.	The Town of Gander will host a Memorial Service at the Silent Witnesses Memorial in memory of the 256 lives lost. Please join us in remembering
Skate with Santa	December 17 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.	Steele Community Centre Santa will be available for pictures on the ice, there will be hot chocolate and a limited # of loot bags for participants
Regular Meeting of Council	December 20 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.	Watch Live: rogersTV.com/gander Live tweets @townofgander Agendas: gandercanada.com
SCC Christmas Coffee Break	December 21 9 a.m.	Steele Community Centre 155 Airport Blvd.
Christmas Lights Photo Scavenger Hunt	December 22 - 31	Grab a hot chocolate, pile in the car and drive around town and take in the holiday lights! Contest details to be announced on Town of Gander & Recreation social media

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December 2023 Events