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## *Town of Heart's Delight-Islington Christmas Message 2017*

2017 is quickly coming to an end and council has had a busy year trying to keep up with you every day issues and running a town. The cost of running the town has increased significantly and will continue to do so. On that note, I would like to remind property owners who have not yet paid their outstanding taxes to ensure that they're fully paid by December 31st. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

Municipal elections were held in September. I would like to thank the residents who supported me and congratulated me. I would like to thank former deputy mayor David Fowlow and former councillors Isabel Sooley, Beverly Bryant-Canning, and Stanley Legge for all their support and hard work in the past. We now have four new councillors, Susan Snelgrove, Barry M. Sooley, Lew Worthman, and Richard Fletcher. Susan Snelgrove was voted in as deputy mayor. I look forward to working with all of them, including our two returning Councillors Clarence Chislett and Tina Chislett.

Our liaison committee's have now been formed for the upcoming term.

Fire Dept: Councillor Tina Chislett.

Recreation: Councillor Richard Fletcher.

Public Works: Councillor Clarence Chislett.

Library: Deputy Mayor Susan Snelgrove.

Water Treatment Plant: Councillors Barry M. Sooley and Lew Worthman.

Ambulance: Mayor Clayton Branton.

On a lighter note, please join us in celebrating the many Christmas events around the community, on December 1 at 7 PM our annual tree lighting will take place. A snack will be provided. Let's not forget the less fortunate this season, non-perishable food items will be collected.

On December 2 at 5:30 PM, we will be hosting our annual seniors Christmas dinner at Epiphany Church. All seniors in the community 65 years and older are invited to attend. There will be no bar this year but please feel free to bring along your own. Come along and enjoy the evening.

The annual Santa Claus parade will be held on December 9 starting at 10 AM weather permitting. Everyone is encouraged to get out and get their floats ready. The more floats we have, the better our parade will be.

### **Fire Dept. Report:**

With Christmas on the way, our fire department would like to pass along the following safety tips:

- When putting up outside lighting, please make sure to tape your outside plugs to keep them dry from rain and snow.
- If using a real Christmas tree, please don't forget to keep it watered.
- Once the snow arrives, it would be a tremendous help to make sure any fire hydrants near your home are free from ice and snow.
- Please be very cautious with heating units, ensure that everything is in good working order and chimneys are clear and fire alarms are working.

*Be Safe, Be Firewise*

### **Recreation Report**

Our Recreation Committee continues to be a very busy group. They are always hosting different events to keep our recreational activities moving. The Canada 150 celebration had an excellent turn out and was very well organized. Our Town Day this past summer also went well. Everybody that participated needs to be congratulated.

The Recreation Committees Children's Christmas Party will be held on Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at the Town Hall from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Bring your kids along and help make it a success!

Volunteers are always welcome, so please come along and join us.

### **Public Works Report**

I am very pleased to say, our roads this year have been greatly improved. Through the Capital Works Program, the North East Side Project has been completed and what an excellent job they did. We also did some more paving of our secondary roads. I hope by next year's end, we will have more secondary roads paved.

It's that time of the year again when snow clearing becomes a headache for all of us. We would like to remind you that Council will not be responsible for damage to fences, garbage boxes, trees, etc., during snow clearing. Snow Clearing Regulations are posted at the Town Hall. We will endeavor to provide snow clearing in the timeliest manner. If you have any concerns regarding snow clearing, please call the council office.

### **Water Treatment Plant**

Over the past year, we have repaired many water leaks; with our weakened infrastructure this will always pose a problem. Our water treatment plant has been keeping up pleasantly well. We have upgraded some of the pumps, replaced the sand filters, and a new computer system has been installed.

### **Ambulance Report**

Our Ambulance Service is kept bust at all times. When you call the emergency line, don't forget to give your telephone number and keep the line clear as an ambulance attendant will call you back. This will speed up the process in responding to your call.

Once again, we are pleased to announce that we will be holding our annual ``Pack the Back.`` On Saturday December 16<sup>th</sup> from 9 AM to 4 PM, non perishable food items and items for all ages will be collected for the Salvation Army Corps in Green's Harbour to help local families. We would like to thank everyone that supported this important charity in the past.

### **Library Report**

Our Library Committee still works hard to keep the library running. They still host a weekly coffee hour on Tuesdays at 10 AM at the Town Hall. The library is open on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm. Our thanks go out to the Library Committee.

*I have enjoyed very much serving as your Mayor again this year  
and look forward to serving you in 2018.*

*On behalf of myself, the Councillors, Staff and members of our Volunteer Organizations,  
we wish everyone a Happy, Peaceful Christmas  
and a Safe, Healthy and Prosperous New Year.*

Clayton Branton  
Mayor

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