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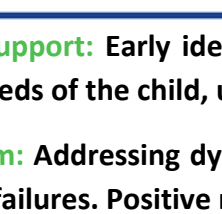
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Public Notices

Project SEEDS



Screening and Empowerment for Early Dyslexia Signs

Dyslexia is a specific learning disability that primarily affects reading and related language-based processing skills. It is characterized by difficulties with accurate or fluent word recognition, poor spelling, and decoding abilities. Despite these difficulties, dyslexia is not related to intelligence, and many people with dyslexia are highly creative and often excel in other areas.

Early screening for dyslexia is crucial for several reasons:

Early Intervention: The sooner dyslexia is identified, the earlier intervention strategies can be implemented. This helps prevent the widening of the gap between a child's reading ability and that of their peers, reducing the risk of future academic struggles.

Tailored Support: Early identification allows for the development of individualized education plans (IEPs) that cater to the specific needs of the child, utilizing specialized teaching methods and resources to support their learning.

Self-Esteem: Addressing dyslexia early can help prevent the frustration and low self-esteem that often accompany repeated academic failures. Positive reinforcement and early success can significantly boost a child's confidence.

Long-Term Success: Early intervention has been shown to improve reading outcomes, which in turn can lead to better overall academic performance and increased opportunities in higher education and future careers.

Resource Allocation: Early screening allows schools and parents to allocate resources more effectively, ensuring that children with dyslexia receive the support they need from an early age.

Overall, early screening for dyslexia plays a pivotal role in ensuring that affected individuals receive the necessary support to thrive academically and personally. Register your 5 to 7-year-olds at <https://www.ldan.ca>

The Terry Fox RUN in Gander is only a few weeks away!

Support cancer research and register today at:

<https://run.terryfox.ca/55721>



COMMEMORATION SERVICE

Wednesday, September 11, 2024 - 2:00 p.m.
Evangel Pentecostal Church, 130 Magee Road, Gander

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY

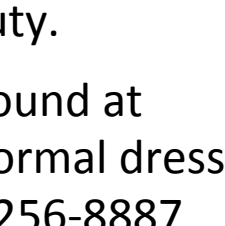


September 28, 2024

Visit: www.gandercanada.com/home-property-and-roads/garbage-collection-and-disposal

Canadian Fallen Firefighters Memorial Day

September 8, 2024



Gander Fire Rescue invites you to our 7th annual Canadian Fallen Firefighters Memorial ceremony on Sunday, September 8, 2024 from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM, to honour the lives of firefighters who have fallen in the line of duty.

Information on the Canadian fallen firefighters foundation can be found at www.cfff.ca. The memorial will take place at the fire hall parking lot - formal dress attire required. RSVP at dshea@gandercanada.com or call us at 709-256-8887

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

SEPTEMBER 30TH

GARBAGE COLLECTION FOR MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED TO WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH



Town Council

Council Meeting Schedule:

Next meeting: Sept. 25th, 2024 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.

[Click here for meeting schedule and agendas](#)

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July 31st Council Meeting Highlights

- Gander Disc Golf, a nonprofit, is currently operating a 9-hole disc golf course at Airport Nordic Ski Club. The organization has requested assistance from the Town, including mowing the course twice. Community Services Committee is excited to have this venture in Gander.
- Committee discussed possible options for future outdoor rinks, that may yield better results - either purchasing a mobile chiller unit with a roll out piping system or pouring a concert pad with in-ground piping. The department will do some further exploration of these options.
- During the 2024 budget process, Council allotted funds for a sports field enhancement at the ballfields. The department was directed to review types of clubhouse facilities in other communities and to reach out to the user groups to determine their needs.
- Committee reviewed an update on Obstetrical Services offered at James Paton Memorial Hospital. As of June 19, staff there welcomed 30 new births. Staffing Update: 88% of Full-Time Equivalent nurse positions have been filled; Full-time lactation consultant. Three obstetricians on staff supported by locum coverage; Two full-time midwives will soon be joined by a third. The team is awaiting a third pediatrician. Committee was pleased with the progress since service was reinstated and it bodes well for its importance as a core service.
- The second quarter building statistics show new construction and renovation levels for the first half of the year to be on par with 2023. To June 30, 2024, there have been 113 permits issued for work valued at approximately \$5.88M. The remainder of the year looks promising.
- Public Safety & Protective Services Committee reviewed a recommendation from Englobe regarding the crosswalk with a flashing light, that crosses Elizabeth Drive by Peyton's Flowers to Needs Convenience. There were three recommendations from Englobe: a. Curb extension with ramp to be added to both sides of Elizabeth Drive at the crosswalk; b. RA-4 signs be posted at appropriate location on the roadside; and c. Remove overhead pedestrian signal. Committee endorsed the plan presented and this item will be forwarded.
- Town Staff have been working with McCurdy Enterprises Limited, and their consultants, on a new residential subdivision development that will see approximately 12 duplex and 2 single residential medium density building lots in Spruce Court. Committee recommends that Town Clerk or designate be authorized to issue a development permit to McCurdy Enterprises Ltd subject to technical approvals, development fee payment, and permit conditions.
- Committee reviewed the launch of the Federal Government's new Co-Operative Housing Development Program (CHDP), which is designed to support the construction of nonprofit co-operative housing by providing \$1.5 billion in forgivable and low-interest repayable loans. Committee expressed support for the CHDP and its objectives, noting the importance of this community led program in enhancing housing availability and affordability. Additional information has been shared under "Build up Gander".
- Committee discussed the upcoming National Forest Week, scheduled for September 22-28, 2024. This annual campaign, led by the Canadian Institute of Forestry (CIF), encourages Canadians to learn about the forest sector's significance. Increasing prevalence of forest fires was discussed, emphasizing the need for heightened awareness and action. The Committee unanimously supports participation in this campaign, recognizing its importance in fostering community engagement and forest preservation.
- Committee reviewed the Land Acknowledgment Service Standard in preparation for the official implementation of Land Acknowledgments within the Town of Gander. This Service Standard provides guidance on when and how Land Acknowledgments should be used, ensuring consistency and respect in recognizing the traditional territories of Indigenous peoples. Committee emphasizes the importance of fostering respect and awareness of Indigenous cultures and histories.

September 2024 Events

Event	Date/Time	Additional Information
Baseball Gander 15U AA Provincials	September 1st - 3rd Various game start times	Art Walker Field at Memorial and Elizabeth Drive
Labour Day	September 2nd	All Town of Gander Admin offices and Town Hall will be CLOSED
Garbage Collection	September 4th	Labour Day garbage collection for Sept. 2nd has been rescheduled to September 4th
Men's & Ladies' Softball End of Year Tournament	September 7th - 9th Various game start times	Gander Baseball / Softball Complex at Memorial and Elizabeth Drive
9/11 Memorial Service	September 11th Beginning at 2 p.m.	Evangel Pentecostal Community Church 130 Magee Rd. The public is invited to attend
U11AA Baseball Atlantic's Tournament	September 12th - 15th Various game start times	Art Walker Field at Memorial and Elizabeth Drive
2024 Targa Newfoundland	September 12th - 19th	North America's only tarmac rally! https://targanfld.com
Seniors' Wellness Session	September 19th 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Steele Community Centre Call 709-651-5927 to reserve Space is limited!
Regular Meeting of Council	September 25th 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.	Watch Live: rogersTV.com/gander Live posts on X: @townofgander Agendas: gandercanada.com