



## Town of St. George's Newsletter

September 14, 2017

### To all Residents:

Let me start by saying, it has been a privilege over the past 4 years for the Council to serve the residents of this great community. Community can be defined as many coming together with a sharing of common attitudes, interests and goals. We strongly believe in community and it's a truly rewarding experience for Council to serve the residents of St. George's.

Council along with Town Staff have accomplished many goals over the course of this term, some of those goals are:

- 2017 – Renovation of the Town Hall to allow accessibility for all residents, as well as a completely new library space through 90/10 funding. LED lighting over the rink area of the Stadium through Community Healthy Living Grant. New self-contained breathing apparatus for our Fire Department through the Fire Protection Financial Assistance Program. Purchase of tracks for the Skid Steer for plowing of sidewalks and winter works. Purchase of a new salter/sander hopper to ensure winter safety of local roads. Working with DFO with respect to the Divestiture Program for new wharfing, this project is ongoing as we are awaiting allocation of Federal Funding. Waste Water Flow monitoring through gas tax funding.
- 2016 – Permanent Horizontal Lifeline was installed at the Siki Bennett Memorial Stadium to ensure safety of Town Employee's while working on lower roofing, accomplished through gas tax funding. Completion of Tobin's Lift Station Retrofit through 90/10 funding. Purchase of new ½ ton truck for Town of St. George's Public Works. Purchase of confined space entry equipment to comply with OH&S regulations for employees. Purchase of a POS (Debit Machine) and setting up of direct payment through the Leading Edge Credit Union for the convenience of our residents when paying taxes or purchasing permits. A number of ditching projects on local roads through gas tax funding. Completion of the recreation project which included upgrades to the Ballfield and the entirely new portion of the playground located at OLOM through 90/10 funding.
- 2015 – Paving of Harview's Lane, Harview's Lane Extension and Sullivan's Lane under gas tax funding. The installation of alarm systems at the Fire Hall, Town Hall and Maintenance Garage. Pressure Reducing Valve building was completed through 90/10 funding. St. George's Waste Water Treatment Plant Engineering through 90/10 funding. Paging system for the Fire Department through Fire Protection Financial Assistance at 90/10 funding.
- 2014 – Purchase of a 1 Ton truck for Public Works to be used for the transport of supplies as well as winter snow clearing. Purchase of CAT Loader for Public Works, again for all associated public works and snow clearing. Completion of St. George's Fire Hall through 90/10 funding. Completion of Lift Station upgrades including computerized monitoring SCADA System through 90/10 funding. Water well upgrades through 90/10 funding as well as Disinfection Building and training.

Council has worked tirelessly on behalf of our residents to ensure that services are delivered within budget and without the burden of unnecessarily raising taxes. Each and every decision is made based upon the information presented at the time and upon the requirements of the Municipalities Act 1999, Town of St. George's Development Regulations 2011, the Urban and Rural Planning Act 2000, National Building Code of Canada and any other available documentation or Acts that we are obligated to follow.

I want to acknowledge Councillor Gerard Carroll for his efforts as our Recreation Chairman, he has spent countless hours ensuring the viability of the Siki Bennett Memorial Stadium which is reflected in vastly increased usage. We are incredibly fortunate to have a recreation complex in a small town that can be used and enjoyed by our residents, especially our children.

To Councillor Alison White whose initiative in keeping our town green is very much appreciated, she has hosted training on compost use and made considerable strides in starting a community garden, which we are hoping will come to fruition in 2018.

To Deputy Mayor Tobin and Councillor Simeon Lee for the countless hours they spent in contract negotiations for town employees with NAPE, your dedication is commendable.

To Councillors Fintan Alexander and Charlie Foote, thank you for providing your expertise and experience in the construction industry and advising Council on the do's and don'ts in construction related issues your commitment to the betterment of the town and its residents is appreciated.

To the Staff, please know that your hard work, determination, cooperation, knowledge and guidance has not gone unnoticed and we thank-you.

Lastly to our Residents who have supported council over the past 4 years, it has been our privilege to have served such an incredible community.

Sincerely,

Daniel Conway  
Mayor