

TOWNSHIP TIMES

WINTER 2024 EDITION

REIMBURSEMENT FOR RECREATION

McNab/Braeside residents can submit a request to be reimbursed the difference between the resident/non-resident registration fee for all programs offered by the Town of Arnprior at the Nick Smith Centre that were previously covered under the Joint Use Recreation Agreement.

*Limits apply to private rink rentals

Visit our website for full details.

*All 2023 Recreation reimbursement requests MUST be received by January 31, 2024. Late submissions will be denied.



PLEASE DON'T PUSH SNOW ONTO OR ACROSS ROADWAYS

Pushing, blowing or shovelling snow onto or across Township roadways is an enforceable fine in accordance with s. 214(1) of the Highway Traffic Act.



Do you have questions/concerns regarding Blue Box Recycling?
Contact Topps Environmental:
613-257-1195 or
help@toppsenv.com



PLEASE PICK UP AFTER YOUR PET!

Due to a large number of complaints, we're encouraging all residents to remember the importantance of picking up after your pet. NO POOP





LANDFILL VOUCHER

Look for your Landfill Voucher at the bottom of the annual Garbage & Recycling Schedule. The Schedule will be included with your Interim Tax Bill

WINTER PARKING IN EFFECT

Our Winter Parking guidelines are in effect.

Please remove ALL personal belongings from Township Roadways including basketball nets.

No person shall park or stand a vehicle or permit a vehicle to remain parked on any highway or municipal parking lot between the hours of 12:00 midnight to 7:00 a.m.



COUNCIL CONTACT INFORMATION

Council is available to assist with your questions and conerns!

Mayor Mark MacKenzie - mmackenzie@mcnabbraeside.com, 613-433-2781

Deputy Mayor Lori Hoddinott - Ihoddinott@mcnabbraeside.com, 343-574-2258

Councillor Kevin Rosien - krosien@mcnabbraeside.com, 613-913-5009

Councillor Scott Brum - sbrum@mcnabbraeside.com, 613-623-9964

Councillor Robert Campbell - rcampbell@mcnabbraeside.com, 613-623-2758

BUILDING PERMITS

A Building Permit is required if you wish to repair, alter, add to, construct, move, demolish or change the use of any building in the Township. If you are not sure if a Building Permit is required, check with the Building Department prior to starting your project.

It is the responsibility of the owner and the builder to obtain all the required forms and permits.

Please consult our office well in advance for advice on your Building Permit.

Submission of all required documents with the Application will speed up the issuing of the Building Permit.

Apply for a Building Permit online by visiting ca.cloudpermit.com/login





2024 INTERIM TAX BILL

Watch for your 2024 Interim Tax Bill!

The first tax bill is the interim tax bill with two instalment dates:

March 29, 2024 & May 31, 2024.

The Interim Tax Bill is calculated at 50% of the previous year's total Taxes Levied.



COUNTY PLANNER

Have a question about your land?

Meet with our County Planner, Anne McVean at the Township Office.

Book your appointment now:

amcvean@countyofrenfrew.on.ca or 613-735-3204 ext. 470

2024 DOG LICENSE

Don't forget to renew your Dog License for 2024. visit: mb.petlicensing.pet



BUILT A NEW HOME? CONGRATULATIONS!

Shortly after you move into your new home, MPAC will send you a Property Assessment Change Notice. MPAC will also provide the Township with your property assessment information. We will then issue a Supplemental Tax Bill for your new home. This will cover the property tax you owe from the date you receive occupancy, until the end of the current tax year.

2024 CAMPFIRE PERMIT

Don't forget to renew your campfire permit for 2024.

Visit: mb.burnpermits.com

A permit is required for ALL open-air burning

PRE-AUTHORIZED TAX PAYMENTS



Paying your taxes by preauthorized payments means eliminating the chore of writing cheques and ensures your payment is received on time.

For more information on how to sign up for Pre-Authorized payments, check out our website.

A PENALTY of 11/1% per month will be added to any outstanding amount on the 1st of each month until paid in full.

*Failure to receive a Tax Bill does not relieve the taxpayer from payment of penalty. If a property has changed ownership, please return the tax bill to the Township Office.



ONGOING MEETING SCHEDULE

Regular Council Meetings take place the first and third Tuesday of each month at 6 pm unless otherwise posted.

Public Recreation & Culture - 1st Wednesday of each month at 7 pm Public Finance & Admin - the Wednesday following the second Tuesday of the month at 1 pm.

Public Safety - fourth Tuesday of each month at 6 pm
Public Works - fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm
*Meeting dates/times are subject to change, subscribe to our online
meeting portal to receive meeting notifications:
https://mcnabbraeside.civicweb.net/Portal/Subscribe.aspx





Did you know that blizzards are the worst kinds of winter storm and can last 6 hours or more? They can bring blowing snow, 40km/h winds, poor visibility and temperatures below 10 degrees Celsius.

- When a winter storm hits, stay indoors. If you must go outside, dress for the
 weather. Outer clothing should be tightly woven and water-repellent. The jacket
 should have a hood. Wear mittens they are warmer than gloves and a hat,
 as significant body heat is lost through the head.
- In wide-open areas, visibility is limited during heavy blowing snow or a blizzard.
 You can easily lose your way. If a blizzard strikes, do not try to walk to another building unless there is a rope to guide you or something you can follow.
- If you must travel during a winter storm, do so during the day and let someone know your route and arrival time.
- If your car gets stuck in a blizzard or snowstorm, stay in your car. Allow fresh air
 in your car by opening the window slightly on the sheltered side away from the
 wind. You can run the car engine about 10 minutes every half-hour if the
 exhaust system is not blocked with snow. Check the exhaust pipe periodically to
 make sure it is not blocked. Remember: you can't smell potentially fatal carbon
 monoxide fumes.
- To keep your hands and feet warm, exercise them periodically. In general, it is a
 good idea to keep moving to avoid falling asleep. If you do try to shovel the
 snow from around your car, avoid overexerting yourself. Overexertion in the
 bitter cold can cause death as a result of hypothermia from sweating or a heart
 attack.
- If you live on a farm, shelter animals. Generally, if the structure is sound, animals should be placed indoors. Once they are inside, secure all openings to the outside. Water supplies should be checked to ensure they have not frozen.



UPCOMING EVENTS

February 3 - Braeside Winter Carnival

February 4 - Native Flower Planting Workshop at the MYCC

February 7 - Kids Night - Valentine's Day Party at the JAG

February 8 - Family Bingo Night at the JAG

February 9-11 - Braeside Winter Cup at the JAG

February 17 - White Lake Winter Carnival

February 23 - Coffee & Crafts at the JAG

March 2 - Drag Bingo at the MYCC

March 2 - Open Mic Night at the JAG

March 6 - Kids Night - St. Patrick's Day Party at the JAG

March 7 - Family Bingo at the JAG

March 11-15 - March Break Camp at the JAG

March 22 - Coffee & Crafts at the JAG

March 23 - Easter Egg Hunt at Waba Cottage Museum & Gardens





ONGOING PROGRAMMING

We have lots of ongoing programming taking place, including Pickleball, Skating Lessons, Fitness Classes & More!

Visit our website to see what's going on and to register for our programs! Want more information? Contact Valerie at valerie@mcnabbraeside.com, 613-623-5756 ext. 232 or Amanda at amanda@mcnabbraeside.com,

613-623-5756 ext. 241







You can reduce your family's risk of fire-related injury or death by installing the right number of smoke alarms in the right places in your home, and by keeping them in good working order.

- Install smoke alarms in each bedroom, in the hallway outside the bedrooms and on each level of your home, including the basement in line with the appropriate Provincial or Territorial and Federal Fire and Building Codes.
- Read and follow every step of the manufacturer's directions when you install your smoke alarms.
- Test your smoke alarms every month to make sure that they are working properly.
- Follow the manufacturer's directions for cleaning your smoke alarms.
- Change the batteries as often as recommended by the manufacturer.
- Replace any smoke alarm that is more than ten years old.
- Investigate any false alarms, and have an escape plan in case of a real fire.

Landlord & Tenant Responsibilities

- Landlords are responsible for providing working Smoke/CO alarms in their rental units.
- Tenants are responsible for testing the alarms and notifying the Landlord immediately if they are not working.



TOTAL ECLIPSE APRIL 8



During a solar eclipse, the Moon moves between the Sun and the Earth, partially or completely blocking the Sun's rays. The danger lies in the fact that even during a partial eclipse, the Sun's intense radiation can cause severe damage to the eyes. Even a brief look at the partly eclipsed Sun can result in harm to the eyes. Children may need extra supervision during eclipses as they may not fully comprehend the risks involved, so parents are encouraged to educate their children about eye safety and provide proper filters or alternative safe viewing methods.

Here are some tips that will help you enjoy an eclipse safely:

- Safety Focus: Ensure your eyes are protected at all times by using approved solar eclipse viewers that meet international standard ISO 12312-2 for safe viewing. Make sure that the glasses are not damaged or scratched before use. Sunglasses, even those with a very dark tint are not sufficient protection.
- 2. **Don't Get Burned!** Staring at the Sun without protection, may cause damage to your retina (the tissue at the back of your eye) called "solar retinopathy." This damage can occur without any sensation of pain. The injury can be temporary or permanent. Visit your local doctor of optometry immediately if an accident occurs.
- 3. **Go Indirect Project**: If you can't find eclipse viewers, make <u>a</u> <u>pinhole projector</u> to watch the eclipse. It's important to only watch the screen, not the Sun. Never look at the Sun through the pinhole.
- 4. Watch Online: Check out the NASA/Exploratorium livestream
- 5. **Check It Out:** If you experience any problems with your eyes or vision after the eclipse, visit your optometrist promptly.





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