



## COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

November 7  
November 21  
December 12

## COUNCIL DECISIONS

The following is a summary of decisions made by Council at the Regular Meetings held September 19 to October 17, 2023.

- National Forest Week Declaration September 17 - 23, 2023
- Supported Northern School of Medicine's (NSOM) Request: Provincial Government grant for a permanent increase in annual base funding by 4 million before fiscal year end
- Capital Budget presented - Public consultation period was held until October 25
- Awarded Community Improvement Plan Proposal to WSP Inc.
- Entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with Michipicoten First Nation for the Marina Divestiture
- Acknowledged Municipal Law Enforcement Officers Association Designation - Mr. Kevin Sabourin
- Approved Proclamation - Canadian Amyloidosis Awareness Month: March 2024
- Support Resolution and Declare IPN (Intimate Partner Violence)/ Violence Against Women an Epidemic

All Council meeting agendas and minutes can be viewed on the Wawa Civic Web:

Civic Web:

<http://wawa.civicweb.net/Portal/>

## FREE PUBLIC SKATING

### SPONSORED BY CANADIAN TIRE

Michipicoten Memorial Community Centre  
Fridays: 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
Sundays: 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.



Come Out &  
Enjoy the Fun!



Watch Council Meetings!  
YouTube Channel:  
Municipality of Wawa



## EDTAC SUPPORTS WAWA HOUSING PLEDGE

Since the formation of the Wawa Economic Development and Tourism Advisory Committee of Council (EDTAC) in 2022, the dedicated volunteer members have been busy forwarding recommendations to staff and Council on ways to prepare Wawa for investment and programs to support existing businesses and entrepreneurs.

Current EDTAC members include Chair Heidi McLaren, Vice-Chair Anya Switzer, Mayor Melanie Pilon, David Wells, Kadean Ogilvie, Johanna Rowe, and Angela Calaezzi.



EDTAC was formed to provide advice to the Municipality on ways to support economic, business and tourism opportunities in Wawa and the surrounding region. Since its formation, the Committee has been busy providing input into several projects such as the Wawa Five Year Tourism Plan, Tourism Round Table Dinners and the Wawa Downtown Community Improvement Plan (CIP) which is currently in development.

Recently, the Committee assisted to develop a Wawa Housing Plan that included a number of recommendations on how the Municipality could assist in supporting the community to build more housing. EDTAC has also recently supported a Municipal Housing Pledge which sets targets and ways to support the building of new homes in Wawa every year, up until 2031, following the pledges passed by larger urban centres in Ontario, which were mandated by the Provincial Government in 2022.

To view the Municipal Housing Pledge visit:

<https://www.wawa.cc/en/yourgovernment/resources/Documents/MUNICIPALITY-OF-WAWA-HOUSING-PLEDGE.pdf>

## SAVE THE DATES

By-Hand Festival  
November 18



Bundle Up Market  
December 1-3

Festival of Lights  
December 1-17



Santa Claus Parade  
December 15

Ice Candle Celebration  
December 26



## REMEMBRANCE DAY

Laying of the Wreaths

10:45 a.m.

Service of Remembrance

11:30 a.m.

Potluck at Legion Hall to Follow

## REMEMBRANCE DAY

*Lest WE Forget*





## COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN SURVEY

Provide Input for Wawa's Downtown!

**Fill out the survey today for your chance to win 1 of 3 prizes!**

The Municipality of Wawa is preparing a new Downtown Community Improvement Plan (CIP) to guide and support investment, (re)development, and revitalization opportunities in Downtown Wawa.

**Win to Shop in Wawa's Downtown!**



**Prizes Include:**

- 1st Prize - \$150
- 2nd Prize - \$100
- 3rd Prize - \$50



**Follow the link below to fill out the survey:**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/wawacipcommunitysurvey>

**Survey Open: November 1-15**  
**Survey Draw Date: November 16**



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**Paper Copies of the Survey Available at:**

Municipal Office (40 Broadway Ave.)

Wawa Public Library (40 Broadway Ave.)

Wawa Seniors Goose Club (63 B Broadway Ave.)

**Questions? Call 705-856-2244 ext. 232**

## MUNICIPAL OPERATING BUDGET

The Municipal Operating Budget has been prepared and will be presented to Council at the Committee of the Whole Meeting on November 29, 2023. The Municipality will be seeking public input into the 2024-2027 budget for the period of November 30 - December 21, 2023. Your input will help Council to make decisions about spending on operating expenses. To review the 2024-2027 Municipal Operating Budget Presentation and provide input starting November 30, please visit the municipal website at [www.wawa.ca](http://www.wawa.ca)

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**SANTA CLAUS  
PARADE**

*Friday December 15*

Float registration opening soon!



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## COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN UPDATE

The update of the Community Improvement Plan (CIP) was highlighted as an action item in the Wawa Strategic Plan (2023-2026). A CIP encourages revitalization initiatives and stimulates development/redevelopment. The Plan would allow the municipality to provide tax assistance, grants or loans to assist in the revitalization of lands and/or buildings. A downtown tour and visioning workshop took place on October 24, 2023 where WSP Inc., staff and members of the community worked to highlight areas and opportunities with particular relevance to the CIP process. Information gathered will be included in the CIP Background and Directions Report. A public open house will take place in January 2024, and all community members are invited to learn about the CIP process and provide your feedback. The final draft of the CIP will be presented to Council in February 2024. To learn more visit: <https://www.wawa.ca/en/business-and-development/community-improvement-plan.aspx>



Questions about the CIP? Call 705-856-2244 ext. 232

## WAWA WATER & WASTEWATER PLAN

The Municipality of Wawa has prepared a Water and Wastewater Master Plan (WWMP) to ensure that its current and future water and wastewater infrastructure needs are met. The Municipality has completed this project through the Schedule B process in the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment 2023. A project file report documenting the planning process undertaken, details of the study recommendations, potential impacts, and mitigation measures were completed and is now available for public review. Subject to comments received following this Notice, the Municipality intends to move forward with the WWMP recommendations. The Project File is available on the Municipal website (<http://www.wawa.ca/en/living-here/water-and-wastewater-reports.aspx>) and at the Municipal office (40 Broadway Ave.) during regular hours of operation. Please forward any comments to Rebecca Weatherall, Assistant Director of Infrastructure Services at [rweatherall@wawa.ca](mailto:rweatherall@wawa.ca) or 705-856-2244 ext. 251 by Friday, November 17, 2023.

## 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Ice Candle Celebration Day

**Tuesday, December 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

The Wawa Cemetery Committee is planning its 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Ice Candle Celebration Day.

The celebration is for everyone to attend or participate in a unique (non-denominational) celebration of life at the Woodland Cemetery.

Ice candles will be lit in celebration and memory of loved ones.

If you want to participate but cannot be there, no worries. You can still purchase a candle and volunteers will be more than happy to place the candle for you.

### Prices for Ice Candles Votive Candles Included

- \$8.00 - (You Pick-up and place it)
- \$10.00 - (Volunteer place and lights it)

### Contact Information

For more information, call  
705-856-2244 ext. 221.

### Deadline Dates:

Place an order before **December 12, 2023**  
Pick up Ice Candles at the Woodland Cemetery from 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. on December 26.  
Forms are available at the Municipal Office from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday or online at [www.wawa.ca](http://www.wawa.ca).

**Bring your own lighter!  
Dress Warm!**

## NOTICE TO HOMEOWNERS - TURN ON WATER BY-PASS VALVES

The Municipality of Wawa requests that homeowners TURN ON their Water By-Pass Valves, **EFFECTIVE December 15, 2023**. Thank you for your co-operation.

If you have any questions, you can contact Assistant Director of Infrastructure Services Rebecca Weatherall at 705-856-2244 ext. 251 or by email at [rweatherall@wawa.ca](mailto:rweatherall@wawa.ca)

## By-Hand Festival

Michipicoten Memorial  
Community Centre  
Saturday, November 18  
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
*Get started on your holiday shopping!*