



## COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

September 19  
October 3  
October 17  
November 7  
November 21  
December 12

## COUNCIL DECISIONS

The following is a summary of decisions made by Council at the Regular Meetings held July 11, 2023 and August 15, 2023.

- Accept Staff Recommendation and Submit Funding Application to NOHFC for Renovation of the Michipicoten Golf Club.
- Accept Staff Recommendation to investigate a Municipal Accommodation Tax.
- Approved proclamation for 23rd Annual Child Care Worker and Early Childhood Education Appreciation Day on October 17, 2023.
- Accept Staff Recommendation to replace the HDPE Feed Tank at the Water Treatment Plant.
- Accept Staff Recommendation MB 2023-20 - Sale of Surplus Equipment by Tender of a generator and shed to highest bidder.



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

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

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YouTube Channel:  
Municipality of Wawa



## HEALTHY DEMOCRACY PROJECT



Wawa Mayor Melanie Pilon joined more than 2,000 municipal representatives at the Association of Municipalities Ontario's 2023 Conference in London in August. While attending AMO, Mayor Pilon was proudly highlighted in a video segment shown to all delegates promoting AMO's Healthy Democracy Project. Mayor Pilon is working with an AMO Committee to attract more diverse candidates to Council positions in Ontario. The project will promote great civic engagement, greater awareness of the role of municipal government and will encourage increased voter turnout. View the video here:



### AMO Healthy Democracy Video

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2QghTft7qjl>



## KEEP YOUR EYES PEELED!

*New electronic sign board at the Community Centre Coming Soon!*

*Also watch for the Wawa Goose Nest Mural!*



## WAWA CEMETERY COMMITTEE

The Cemetery Committee provides recommendations to Council regarding the operation and maintenance of all cemeteries owned by the Municipality of Wawa and to identify and raise additional revenues for the cemetery. Current initiatives include:

- Memorial Benches
- Planter Box Repair
- Structure Built
- Ice Candle Celebration



## REMINDER - WATER BILLS DUE!

Don't forget to pay your water bill by Friday, October 6, 2023!  
Call 705-856-2244 ext. 233

## SAVE THE DATES

Fall Fair  
September 9



North Algoma Seniors Expo & Active Living Fair  
September 13



By-Hand Festival  
November 17-18



Bundle Up Market  
December 1-3



Festival of Lights  
December 1-17



Santa Claus Parade  
December 15



Ice Candle Celebration  
December 26



## HOUSING ACTION PLAN

The Municipality of Wawa is pleased to share that the Draft Wawa Housing Action Plan (HAP) has been recently developed and Council is seeking community input into the Plan. The Plan aims to increase the supply of local housing accommodations working with partners to encourage new housing development.

View the Wawa Housing Action Plan on the Municipal website here:

### Wawa Housing Action Plan

<http://www.wawa.cc/en/your-government/resources/Documents/Wawa-Housing-Action-Plan-2023--FINAL.pdf>



## WAWA STRATEGIC PLAN

The final version of the update to the Wawa Strategic Plan is complete.

The Plan can be viewed on the municipal website here:

### Wawa Strategic Plan

<https://www.wawa.cc/en/your-government/resources/Documents/WAWA-STRATEGIC-PLAN-2023-2027.pdf>



## WAWA FIRE SERVICES COMMUNITY SURVEY PRIZE WINNERS!

The Municipality of Wawa would like to thank everyone that participated in the Wawa Fire Services Community Survey. Your feedback will be integrated into the Community Risk Assessment scheduled to be presented to Council at the October 3, 2023 Committee of the Whole Meeting. A random draw for three prizes was drawn on Monday, July 24, 2023 and the winners were:



1st - Bob Elliot \$250

2nd - Alisha Allin - \$100

3rd - Alan Mann - \$50

**WINNERS!**

Prizes also included a smoke detector donated by The Loomex Group.



## THANK YOU TO OUR SUMMER STAFF!

Summer has come to an end and with it we say farewell to our amazing summer staff! This includes our summer students as well as our Tourism Coordinator Isabeau Allard who managed the Tourist Information Centre for another fantastic season! The Municipality of Wawa would like to thank you all for your hard work and dedication this season, and wish you all the best in your future endeavors!

### Happy 90th Birthday

#### Jack Aikenhead!

Jack is a retired Wawa Volunteer Firefighter. The Municipality would like to thank him for his service and wish him a wonderful 90th birthday!



### MUNICIPAL ACCOMMODATION TAX

Municipal Council have endorsed further investigation of the Municipal Accommodation Tax (MAT). The MAT provides the opportunity to collect a tax paid by visitors purchasing accommodations, including but not limited to hotels, motels, inns, lodges and short term accommodations. If implemented, the expected revenue from the program is estimated at over \$400,000 per year and would be split between the Municipality and set aside for the creation of a Destination Marketing Organization. Staff will work collaboratively with accommodation-based businesses to determine the best course of action for implementing the tax and to identify what supports will be needed. To learn more about the MAT, contact Alex Patterson, Director of Community Services and Tourism at 705-856-2244 ext. 242.

## North Algoma Seniors Expo & Active Living Fair

Featuring 50+ exhibitors from Wawa, Sault Ste Marie and beyond.

Michipicoten Memorial Community Centre  
3 Chris Simon Drive, Wawa, ON

**FREE**  
**FREE**

- Admission
- Door Prizes
- Resources & Publications
- Active Living Demonstrations
  - From Soup to Tomatoes
- Info Sessions
  - Collaborative Care Algoma
  - Adult Learning Centre
- Lunch by Judy Page Moore Catering
  - Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Wawa
- Health Clinics
  - Blood pressure
  - Blood glucose testing
- Entertainment & Music

### FREE Transportation

To book transportation in Wawa, Hawk Junction, White River or Dubreuilville call: Wawa Goose Seniors' Centre 705-856-7394 between 1-4pm before **Sept 6, 2023.**

**Wednesday**  
**September 13th**  
**10am-3pm**

More information: Chris Rask at 705-856-0000



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La voix des centres pour aînés



### NEW RUNNING TRACK ALMOST COMPLETE!

The new track at the Wawa Community Centre is almost complete! Thanks to funding from the Ontario Trillium Fund, the Municipality secured \$130,000 for the replacement of the running track. It will be ready in time for the school year and features a new base and top layer built from crushed rock. We're looking forward to being able to provide Wawa with a safer and better running surface as we host a variety of school track and field events, from local meets to regional competitions.



### HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY

26 Magpie Road - Public Works Yard (Gate Entrance)  
Saturday, September 9, 2023  
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.



For a full list of what is accepted, visit the municipal website at: [www.wawa.cc](http://www.wawa.cc)

For More Information:  
Infrastructure Services 705-856-2244 ext. 251



### WAWA FALL FAIR

Wawa Community Centre  
Curling Rink  
September 9  
11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
30+ Vendors  
Food  
Entomica and More!

### HOURS OF OPERATION

Townhall - 40 Broadway Ave.



Monday - Friday

8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.



CLOSED: Saturday and Sunday



### WAWA PUBLIC LIBRARY

#### Reading Helpers Program

Volunteers are available to work with students and help them improve their reading skills. For more information or to sign up contact: 705-856-2244 ext. 290



### KEEP UP TO DATE!

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