



The Town of Flatrock

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Remembering Mayor Kevin Butt, Mayor Butt passed away on January 14, 2013 at his home in Flatrock, it was a very sad and heartbreaking day for his family, Council and community. Please see Memoriam attached.

Deputy Mayor Anthony Grace is now Mayor of the Town of Flatrock.
Councilor Darrin Thorne is now the Deputy Mayor of the Town of Flatrock.
These positions will be held until Municipal Elections in September 2013.

Councilor Brian Martin is now on the Jack Byrne Arena Board.
Councilor Robert Schmiedendorf now attends the [ICSP] Integrated Community Sustainability Plan monthly meetings.
Councilor Michelle Martin is now on the Finance Committee.

There is a list of all committees that each member of Council is on below:

After Hours Emergencies

Town staff is NOT to be called after hours; they can be reached through the Town office Monday to Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.

For after hour emergencies the Town Council can be reached at the following numbers:

Tony Grace	Roads / Snowclearing / Streetlights/Animal & Garbage Control/Flatrock Community Center	437-6825
Bob Schmiedendorf	Planning / Tourism / Finance/ Integrated Community Sustainability Plan [ICSP]	437-6255
Marion McCarthy	Recreation / Heritage / Soiree/Regional Games	437-6945
Michelle Martin	Recreation / Heritage/ Clean-up/Finance	437-5016
Brian Martin	Roads / Snow clearing/Flatrock Community Center	437-7665
Darrin Thorne	Animal & Garbage Control/Streetlights/Planning/Tourism	437-5654

Town Council Meetings

Deadline for applications or correspondence for Flatrock Town Council meetings are noon on the Thursdays before the meeting. The Town Council meets every second Monday and is open to the public at all times. If you wish to speak to Council on a matter, please call ahead of time so we can put your name on the agenda. The next council meetings are Monday, February 18, March 4, March 18, April 1, April 15 and April 29 at 8:00 pm.

Dog Tags

If you would like your dog or even your cat registered in the town, so we would know who owns the pet if it should get out, then just drop by the town office and get a license for your pet, they are **FREE OF CHARGE**.

BizPal

BizPal is an online service, www.bizpal.gov.nl.ca providing permit and licence information to help entrepreneurs start and grow their business. BizPal provides integrated information on permits, licences and other regulatory requirements across three levels of government. BizPal's web-based, self service application is practical, free and easy to use. Using a question and answer format, BizPal generates an accurate, timely and customized list of permits and licences that entrepreneurs may require to start or grow a business.

Snow Clearing

It is that time of the year again and snow is upon us, the Town Council would like to remind residents NOT to park on sides of road so our snow clearing equipment can have room to clear the town roads. Remember you are NOT allowed to shovel snow out in to the road or across the road to cause an obstruction to traffic. Please remember that if you plow snow onto the road, you are responsible if anything happens, not the Town of Flatrock. This snow can obstruct traffic and is a safety issue. The Town is not responsible for any damages incurred to any fence or garbage box that is not set back 17.5 ft. from center of any local road and 33.5 ft. from any highway. The town has a priority list of roads to follow and our children's safety and school bus runs is at the top. Please watch for children waiting for school buses during our snow season, remember "Snow means Slow".

If you have a problem with snow clearing you can call the town office Monday to Friday during 8:30 to 4:30 or after hours, call any member of Council, at numbers listed above. Do NOT call staff at home, if there is an emergency the fire department has contact information.

Pole Lights

If any pole lights are out near your home you may contact the Town Office and we will let Newfoundland Power know of this situation. If you can provide the number that is on the pole to the council office, this will speed up the process of getting the light replaced.

50 Plus Club

There was a meeting held, Sunday, February 10, 2013, to see if there was any interest in starting a 50 plus club in Flatrock. A committee was formed at that time. Chairperson is Carm Martin. Vice Chairperson is Patsy Bishop. Treasurer is Anita Walsh. The position of secretary is still open. Phone Committee is Joanne Kavanagh and Margie Critch. The next meeting to discuss the club further will be Thursday, February 21, 2013 at the Town Hall at 7:30. If you cannot make the meeting and would like to take part in the club, please call 437-6312 or email info@townofflatrock.com.

Outstanding Taxes

A final letter has been sent to those with outstanding taxes owing, up to and including 2012. Residents who received this letter and did not reply will have their information sent to a collection agency. Interest is being applied to all outstanding taxes, including 2012 taxes, invoices with the interest added will be in the mail by March 1, 2013. Tax payments can be made by monthly instalments. Payments are accepted by Visa, Debit, MasterCard, cheques and cash as well as post - dated cheques, at the town office between the hours of 8:30 to 4:30, Monday to Friday.

Mil Rate and Property Taxes

The Flatrock Council reviewed the mil rate for residential property taxes when the 2013 budget was done. Council voted to lower the mil rate from 6.5 to 5.0 per cent. Example: value of \$100,000.00 with mil rate of 6.5 would be \$650.00 and with mil rate of 5.0 would be \$500.00. Multiply your assessed amount by .005 to get taxes owing. All 2013 Property taxes are in the mail, if you did not receive yours, please contact town office. Forms for instalment payments are available on the web site, at the Town office and in with 2013 invoices. Property taxes are due February 28, 2013, no interest will be applied until June 30, 2013.

Council spends tax payer's money on garbage collection, recycling, street lights, heat and light in all buildings, snow clearing, town road maintenance, fire protection, soiree, recreation, insurance, municipal assessment, animal control, salt and sand just to name a few examples.

Soiree

The date for the 2013 Flatrock Soiree is July 27th and 28th.

Recycling Dates

The next dates for recycling are attached. Please have your recycling out with your garbage by 8:00 am on those dates. Remember greasy containers such as chicken boxes and buckets as well as pizza boxes are not recyclable. Just a reminder, you can drop off your recyclables, the ones you pay a deposit on, to the Town Garage or the Town Hall. These recyclables [remove corks and covers] are going into an account at the Evergreen Recycling Depot and all money raised will go to the Flatrock Recreation Program. If you would like to donate your recycling to the Flatrock Recreation Program, drop them off at the Evergreen Recycling Depot marked "**Town of Flatrock**".

Student Summer Applications

Resumes will be accepted for positions for summer employment at the Town Hall until 4 pm on April 30th. The number of jobs available depends on the government funding approved. If any students need a first aid course, the one day course will be offered at a later date in Pouch Cove.

Compost Bins

Council has ordered compost bins for anyone interested in having one. Cost is \$21.99 plus \$2.86 tax, total \$24.85 each. If you would like to order a bin, you can contact the town office and leave your name and we will let you know when they arrive.

Royal Newfoundland Constabulary

The Royal Newfoundland Constabulary [RNC] has increased patrols in Flatrock at the request of concerns from residents. Some concerns were regarding cars speeding during school times and on Pouch Cove Highway. You will notice the police car in the community more often than usual. So please slow down for the safety of everyone and to avoid a ticket.

Torbay Volunteer Fire Department

Torbay Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary are holding a take out Chicken Breast Dinner on February 23, 2013 at a cost of \$10.00, to order by February 20, call Nancy at 437-1704 or Christa at 437-5794.

Torbay Volunteer Fire Department 2012 Response Summary attached.

Outer Cove Bridge

Outer Cove Bridge information attached.

SnowFest

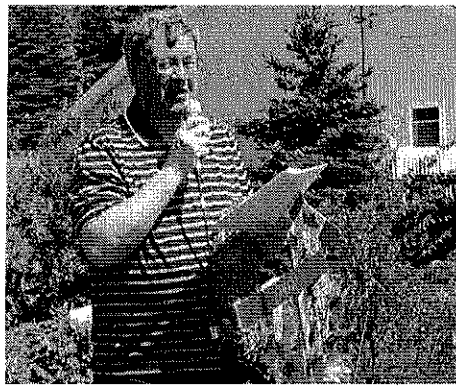
Please see all SnowFest information at www.townofflatrock.com

Green Team

The Town is applying for a "Green Team" this summer from Conservation Corps Newfoundland and Labrador. The Green Team will be looking at starting a trial network for the community. If the Town is successful in receiving a team, Flatrock will be looking to hire qualified students in the Town.

Park Bench

Henderson Recreation worked with the Town of Flatrock during the RONA Playground project. Henderson Recreation has decided to donate a park bench to the town in memory of Mayor Butt. The bench will be placed at the War Memorial.



Remembering Mayor Kevin Butt

Kevin Butt, Mayor of Flatrock passed away on Monday, January 14, 2013 at his home in Flatrock at the age of 65. Kevin began work with the General Hospital on October 31, 1966, in the Accounting Department and moved to Management Engineering in 1978. Kevin retired three years ago after almost 43 years with the organization.

Kevin believed in being involved in his community of Flatrock and was a community leader in every sense of the word. Kevin had served on Flatrock Council as Deputy Mayor from 2005 – 2008 and became Mayor in 2008 to present. Kevin believed in working together with the neighbouring communities especially Bauline, Pouch Cove, Logy Bay/Middle Cove/Outer Cove and Torbay, with involvement in the Jack Byrne Arena, fire protection, animal control, recreation, salt/sand and Integrated Community Sustainability Plan, all with the focus on reducing the cost of delivering Municipal Services for the residents. He was a true community leader and a role model within municipal politics.

Kevin was a Member of the Avalon East Hockey League and very active with the Flatrock Flyers Hockey Team. Kevin was also involved with the Recreation for many years and served on the committee, as well as the Senior Softball League. Kevin also volunteered with the local minor hockey over the years. Kevin was a member on the Board of Directors for the Jack Byrne Arena. Kevin was also a member on the Flatrock Harbour Authority.

Kevin was also very involved in the volunteer run Flatrock Community Center and was working with Council and MHA Kevin Parsons to upgrade and renovate the community center. Council and MHA Parsons are working together to see that Kevin's dream for the community center renovations will be completed.

Besides all of Kevin's volunteer time he still very much enjoyed his participation in the Flatrock Mens Dart League and his trips to Millertown with his friends and always had time for song.

Kevin will be remembered fondly by all those who knew him, the people of the Town of Flatrock, Council and Staff, everyone on the committees, co – workers, Municipalities across Newfoundland and Labrador and especially his family and the joy of his life his grandson, Jack.

Our lives will never be the same, but we are better for having him in it.

Flatrock Recreation Summer Program Changes

Residents are advised of the following changes to our Summer Program:

- Campers must be between the ages of 6 and 12 within the calendar year.
- There is an increase in the hours of operations and summer camp will now be held from 8 am to 4 pm, Monday to Friday.
- There duration of the program has changed from seven (7) to eight (8) weeks. However, due to the Killick Coast Games happening in Flatrock this summer, our 2013 summer program will only be seven weeks as there will not be any camp during the week of August 11 – 15th.
- Summer camp fees have increase to \$70 a week for one child and \$30 for each additional child.

If you have any questions or require additional information regarding these changes please contact the Regional Recreation Coordinator at 335 2270 or via email at pouchcoverecreation@hotmail.com.

2013 Killick Coast Games

The Towns of Flatrock and Pouch Cove are pleased to announce the official date for the 2013 Killick Coast Games as August 11 – 15. Both towns are excited to once again co-host this five day sporting event. If you would like to volunteer for these games, please contact the Regional Recreation Coordinator at 335 2270 or via email at pouchcoverecreation@hotmail.com.

Work Term Position

The Town of Flatrock wishes to extend a warm welcome to Allison Whitty. Allison is currently enrolled in the Community Recreation and Leadership program at the Collage of the North Atlantic and will be completing her final work term position with the Recreation Department. Allison will be with us from February 11 – March 8 and with help create new recreational opportunities for all residents.

**Torbay Fire Department
Response Summary 2012**

Summary of Emergency Response Statistics:2012

	#	%
Total # Of Firefighters In Department:	36	100%
Total Emergency Responses To Date:	238	100%
Total Emergency Responses Medical Related:	93	39%
Total Emergency Responses for RTA:	26	11%
Total Alarm Activations:	37	16%
Total Emergency Responses Fire Related including Alarm Activations	119	50%
Total Other:	0	0%
Total Responses During Weekdays: (8 AM - 5PM)	93	39%
Total Responses During Weekends :	33	14%
Total Responses During Weekdays: (Non Peak)	112	47%
Average Firefighter Response For All Responses:	17.5	49%
Average Response time for Peak Periods	7.7	Minutes
Average Firefighter Response For Weekdays: (8am-5pm)	9.8	27%
Total Man Hours To Date: (Emergency Response)	4874.6	100%
Total Responses To Flatrock	38	16%
Total Responses To Torbay	197	83%
Total Responses To Other Areas	3	1%
Average Response Time To Date: (Minutes)	7.6	Minutes

January 31, 2013

submitted by Mike McGrath



Bridge Replacement/Road Closure

The General Public are advised that the bridge locally known as Savage Creek Bridge, located at the intersection of Logy Bay Road and Lower Road in Outer Cove, will be replaced beginning in the spring of 2013.

A diversion road will be constructed to maintain the north/south traffic flow along Logy Bay Road and Outer Cove Road. Unfortunately, Lower Road will be closed at the Logy Bay Road/Outer Cove Road intersection to Laurel Willow Close during bridge construction. Vehicular access to Lower Road and all roads connecting to Lower Road may be achieved via Marine Drive or via Outer Cove Road then choosing one of the connecting roads: O'Neil's Road, O'Rourke's Lane or Barnes Road.

In the past, this bridge has overflowed causing the intersection to be flooded and the replacement will include an upgrade in capacity to handle the water flows. This bridge is a critical infrastructure upgrade for the town and we ask for your understanding and patience during construction.

The bridge replacement is projected to be completed by the end of August, 2013.

Any question/concerns, please contact the Logy Bay-Middle Cove-Outer Cove Town Hall at 726-7930 ext 22.



FLATROCK CURBSIDE RECYCLING PROGRAM

The Town of Flatrock Curbside Recycling Program, will be picking up recycling every second Wednesday. Your recycling should be separated into separate plastic bags, 1 for paper products and 1 for containers. It doesn't matter what size bags, but they must be BLUE in color. Please see the list below on how to separate your items:

PAPER PRODUCTS

Newspapers and Flyers
Magazines and Catalogues
Glossy paper and Junk Mail
Computer paper, writing paper,
Bond paper, Post-it Notes
Phonebooks
Envelopes
Books (hard covers removed)
Toilet paper and paper towel Rolls
Egg cartons (the cardboard kind)
Drink/Coffee trays
Paper Bags

BOXBOARD

Cereal boxes (waxed liner removed)
Tissue boxes
Detergent boxes, etc...

CORRUGATED CARDBOARD

Clean, unwaxed and flattened

Items that will NOT be accepted:

Glass – any type	Kitty Litter
Coffee Cups	Plastic Bags
Hazardous Waste	Diapers
Syringes	Styrofoam
Fast food containers eg: chicken buckets	
Pizza Boxes	

ALUMINUM CONTAINERS

Pop and Beer Cans
Baking trays, pie plates, etc...

TIN CANS

Soup cans, coffee cans, beans, tuna
cat food, etc....

PLASTIC CONTAINERS

Water, pop, and liquor bottles (no
covers or tops)
Condiments ex.: barbeque sauce
ketchup, mustard, honey, etc...
Household cleaners ex.: dish and
Laundry detergent, bleach,
Windex, etc...
Plastic containers marked on the
bottom #1, 2, 4, 5, 7 ex: yogurt,
ice cream etc...
Tetra boxes ex.: juice boxes, soups
Gable Tops ex.: milk and juice
cartons

If you want to donate your recyclable beverage containers to the Recreation program, please drop them off at the Town Garage next to the gate. Please do not block the fire exit. (These items would be what you pay a deposit on)

Please make sure that the plastic bottles and containers are rinsed and lids and caps are removed. Please place your recycling with your garbage bags on recycling pick up day.

Flatrock Recycling Dates 2013

February 13
February 27

March 13
March 27

April 10
April 24

May 8
May 22

June 5
June 19

July 3
July 17
July 31

August 14
August 28

September 11
September 25

October 9
October 23

November 6
November 20

December 4
December 18



**REDUCE
REUSE
RECYCLE**