



Municipality of Wawa

MONTHLY REPORT – DECEMBER 2024

Department of Community Services and Tourism

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an overview of the Department of Community Services and Tourism's work completed during the month of December 2024, and activities planned for the following month.

BACKGROUND

Key activities in December:

- Implemented holiday community events with excellent participation
- Completed MMCC Capital Projects
- Prepared grant applications for 2025

CAPITAL PROJECTS

- 2024 MMCC Modernization NOHFC Grant
 - Awaiting final delivery of some cardio equipment
 - Awaiting electrical transformer for outdoor sign
 - Final claim and reporting underway
- 2024 MMCC HVAC NOHFC Grant
 - Final Claim and Reporting finalized and under review
- Broadway Ave Mural
 - Completed community consultation – an update memo to Council with additional details is on this agenda
 - Worked with artist on some changes to the preferred design to better reflect the community
- Olympia Batteries (2025)
 - Staff continue to work with the supplier to negotiate pro-rating on batteries and testing to replace cells at the end of the 2024-25 ice season

PARKS AND FACILITIES

MMCC Bookings and Special Events:

The MMCC was very busy in the leadup to the holidays. In addition to regular programming we hosted community and private holiday events. These include:

Special Events

- Goose Nest Bundle-Up market
- Sir James Dunn Spaghetti Dinner
- Healthcare Expo
- Hamper Fund

Regularly Scheduled Programming:

- Various organization's meetings (Goose Nest, WMHA, USW, Ice Fishing Derby, Hamper Fund, Mustangs, Scouts, Marina, Heritage, etc)
- Drive Test
- Hockey League Games – South Porcupine & Sault Girls
- Birthday Parties
- Christmas Parties
- Technica Mining training

Sample schedule for the month is included in the attachments

RECREATION AND EVENTS

Recreation report: December

- Bundle Up market was hosted inside due to vendor demand. The event was very successful with 28 vendors and over 700 community members participating.
- Santa Claus parade was also very successful with more than 30 floats from a variety of businesses and organizations.
- We welcomed a new fitness instructor to our roster. They will be starting in other instructors' classes as well as in the gym helping new members learn how to safely use equipment before taking on a class of their own in January.
- The John Haight Memorial Tournament was restarted this year after a 4-year hiatus. The MMCC was open on the 27th of December and hosted a very successful tournament as well as family pickup curling.
- Planning for the January fitness schedule has begun and the classes will start the 2nd week of the month

TOURISM

Tourism report: December

- Staff from the CST and Economic Development departments worked together on planning for the 2025 TIC season. This included some great work from the Economic Development Assistant who compiled a Visitor Experience Strategy based on their experience at the end of the 2025 season.
- Staff are developing a project to source funding for the facility to improve infrastructure as well as modernize the offerings and programming. More details will follow throughout the winter.
- Staff are working on reconnecting webcams that came offline for the Goose and Highway 17 at the Tourist Information Centre.

Billboards and Recognition

- Staff have met with a representative from the family of Chris Simon to determine what recognition is appropriate to place, as well as considering other community requests that have come in this past year
- Staff are reviewing other communities policies before drafting our own recommendation to Council to deal with this and other requests moving forward.

FUNDING

Summer Student Funds

- Staff completed 2 sets of funding applications
- Canada Summer Jobs: Staff redid applications this year for summer maintenance student positions and applied for 2 positions
- Summer Experience Program: Staff updated applications this year for Tourist Information Center and Recreation Programmer positions, applying for 2 at the TIC and 1 in Recreation. Staff also completed a new application for the beautification student position with a lens on downtown tourism.

Ontario Trillium Capital Fund

- Staff identified funding from OTF for recreation infrastructure, due in March.
- We have put together a staff team to create a plan for revitalizing the upper mission park area, and are gathering information and pricing
- Staff will present a draft plan for Council's input and a resolution before submitting to OTF in March

MONTH AHEAD

Operations:

- Return facility to normal operations after holiday break
- Complete installations of final fitness equipment
- Train staff on new building automation systems

Recreation:

- Advertise and implement winter fitness programming
- Start planning for winter special events (winter carnival, ice fishing derby)
- Complete year end filing and organizational tasks

Tourism:

- Prepare advertising and community information sessions for MAT
- Prepare scope of work for TIC funding application
- Prepare report on 2024 TIC operations and plan for 2025 season

Administration:

- Complete all reporting required for NOHFC Capital projects
- Prepare funding applications to Trillium, Fednor for projects
- Prepare RFP's for 2025 Capital Projects

RECOMMENDATION

That Council acknowledges receipt of Community Services and Tourism Monthly Report AP 2025-01 submitted by Alex Patterson dated January 7, 2025 for information.

Respectfully submitted by:



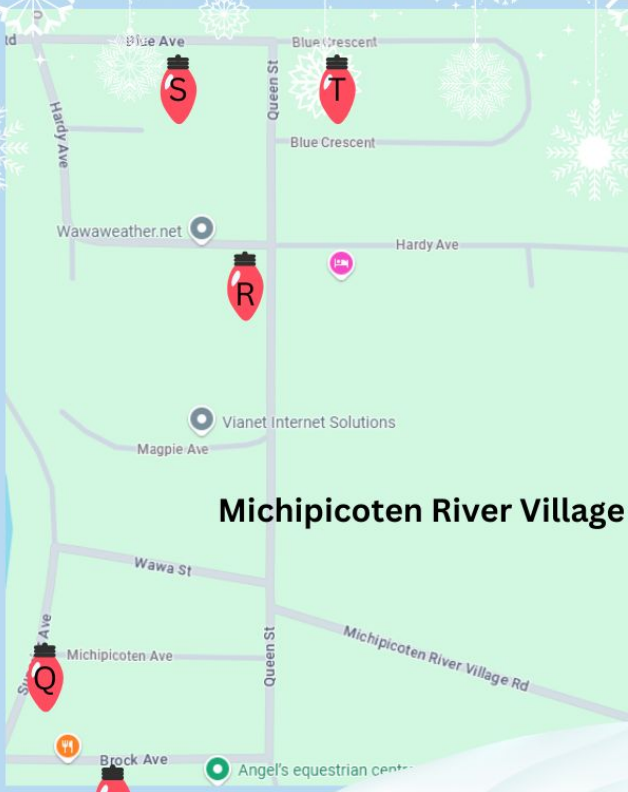
Alex Patterson, Director of Community Services and Tourism

MMCC C-19 Schedule Dec 2 - 8, 2020

Time	Monday, December 02, 2024						Tuesday, December 03, 2024						Wednesday, December 04, 2024						Thursday, December 05, 2024						Friday, December 06, 2024						Saturday, December 07, 2024						Sunday, December 08, 2024					
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2024
Festival of Lights
Tour Route



Michipicoten River Village





2024

Festival of Lights Voting

Name:

Please choose only **one (1)** favourite

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|---|---|
|  A 63 Magpie Rd |  L 105 Broadway Ave |
|  B 110 Churchill Ave |  M 131 Broadway Ave |
|  C 100 Churchill Ave |  N 11 Nyman Ave |
|  D 5 Regina Cres |  O 56 Winston Rd |
|  E 19 Regina Cres | Michipicoten River Village |
|  F 6 Superior Ave |  P 307 Brock Ave |
|  G 10B Spruce St |  Q 301 Superior St |
|  H 135 Regina Cres |  R 317 Hardy Ave |
|  I 55 Third Ave |  S 305 Blue Cres |
|  J 32 Toronto Ave |  T 312 Blue Cres |
|  K 30 Joliet St | |

Please submit form at the MMCC Pro Shop
(Mon-Fri) or vote online:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MN63PSG>



FRIDAY SOCIAL CURL

At the MMCC

Come out Friday to the MMCC!
Catch a hockey game at the Johnny Haight
Have a drink & enjoy the day!



BAR OPEN

12:00pm - 6:30pm

Schedule:

HOCKEY

John Haight Tournament
9am-4:30pm

CURLING

1:00pm-4:00pm Drop In
Cost: \$5.00 / Person

NEW TO THE GYM?

**LOOKING FOR
POINTERS?**

**NOT SURE HOW TO
USE EQUIPMENT?**

Join Mayson, our newest fitness
instructor, in the gym

Dec 16 - Dec 20

from 6:30pm - 7:30pm

He'll be here to answer
any and all fitness
questions you may
have!

Can't make it in then?

Watch for a post in the new year on how
to connect with him for 1 on 1 training





Wawa ^{Canada}

Santa Claus Parade

DECEMBER

FRIDAY

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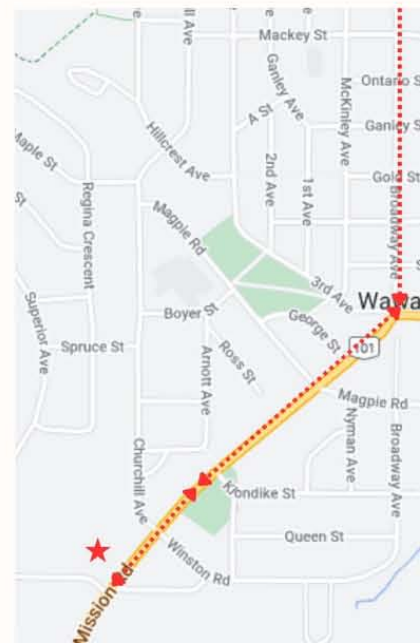
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JOIN MAYOR AND COUNCIL FOR
HOT CHOCOLATE
FOLLOWING THE PARADE

FREE PUBLIC SKATING 7-8

TO REGISTER YOUR FLOAT CALL:

705-856-2244 ex 240



WINTER WONDERLAND

BUNDLE UP MARKET

DECEMBER 7TH 2024

3PM-8PM

MICHIPICOTEN MEMORIAL COMMUNITY CENTRE

JOIN SANTA IN
HIS WORKSHOP
FROM 3PM-6PM



30+ VENDORS



SIP N SHOP
(BAR OPEN)
FROM 6PM-8PM

