



**Mark Your
Calendar**

Free Family Skate
February 19, 2018
12pm-1pm
Maple Arena



Earth Hour
March 24, 2018
6:30pm -10pm
City Hall

Canada Day Celebration
July 1, 2018
12 - 8pm
Boyd Conservation Area

Concerts in the Park
July 25, 2018
7pm
Mackenzie Glen District
Park



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NEWSLETTER

Winter 2018

As 2018 settles in, this will be an exciting year for everyone in our community! We are starting the last year of this term for Council with many successes. The new budget has been approved by the City and you will notice in this newsletter how some of your tax dollars will be spent locally. The Maple Community Centre will be undergoing minor renovations this year and the Pierre Berton Heritage Centre is scheduled to open June 2018. The second floor of the Mackenzie Vaughan Hospital can be seen when you drive by and is on schedule to open in 2020. It will be the first hospital in Canada to feature fully integrated smart technology systems and medical devices. North Maple Regional Park Phase 1A will be open by Summer 2018, showcasing two new artificial turf fields and many kilometers of walking trails through the beautiful Oak Ridges Moraine.

I would like to thank you for your continued support for the work that I proudly do for you.

Marilyn

WITH COUNCIL SUPPORT, THE FOLLOWING HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED TO DATE

ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS:

- **Major Mackenzie Drive – Pine Valley Drive to Islington Avenue**
Construction for this section of Major Mackenzie Drive is scheduled to begin in Spring 2018. It will provide for a total of 6 lanes for this area and is expected to be completed by 2021.
- **Major Mackenzie Drive – Islington Avenue to CP Tracks**
Construction of this section includes a bridge over the Humber River to eliminate the jog and a bridge over the CP tracks. Building of the Humber River bridge is expected to begin in Summer 2018. Prior to the construction of the bridge over the CP tracks, the banks on either side of the tracks need to be built . The banks will go through a year-long period of settling. Construction of the banks will be in late 2018 and the construction of the CP bridge will commence in late 2019.
- **Major Mackenzie Drive – New Hwy 427 to Hwy 50**
The new Highway 427 will be constructed by the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) and is expected to be completed by 2021. The remaining section of Major Mackenzie Drive between Highway 50 and the western limit of Highway 427 (old Huntington Road) will be constructed by York Region. Design is underway with construction expected to begin in 2020. It should be completed by 2021.
- **Major Mackenzie Drive EA – Keele Street to McNaughton/Avro Road**
York Region is currently undertaking an Environmental Assessment for Major Mackenzie Drive West, between McNaughton Road/Avro Road and Keele Street. The recommendations of the study will be considered in the 2019 Capital Budget. A centre turn lane in the Maple core is paramount to ensure safety for those accessing local plazas and St. David's Church.
- **Rutherford Road – Westburne Drive to Peter Rupert Avenue (underpass at GO Tracks)**
Metrolinx has a tender out for hiring a design/contractor for this work and should be in place by September. This project will ultimately relieve traffic congestion and improve transit, walking and cycling facilities. Construction is expected to begin in late 2018.

COMMUNITY PROJECTS:

- **The Mackenzie Vaughan Hospital**
In addition to community supporters who have continued to raise funds for the new hospital, the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at Canada made a \$2-million gift, the Carlo and Angela Baldassarra Family donated \$5-million, Vic De Zen donated \$10-million and the De Gasperis and Muzzo families made the largest single donation to date, with a \$15-million gift. Looking forward to 2018, construction will continue at full speed to ensure that the project remains on schedule.
- **Improvements to the Maple Community Centre (MCC)**
We recognize that the MCC needs revitalization. The 2018 budget has approved funds for a full facility renewal study. In the interim, some minor improvements will be made including the replacement of the arena wall siding, upgrades to the pool equipment and installation of colourful murals that will brighten up the look and feel of the community centre.
- **Pierre Berton Heritage Centre - Renovation Update**
The exterior restoration and interior renovation work is progressing well. Updates include; the exterior façade restoration work, interior renovation work on the main floor and basement, plumbing work for new washrooms in the basement and the construction of barrier-free entrance ramp. Concurrently, designs for the interactive displays showcasing the life and work of Pierre Berton are ongoing. The project is on track to be completed by June.



MORE COMMUNITY UPDATES

• OMB (Ontario Municipal Board)

On December 12, 2017, Bill 139 – the Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017 was passed. This will replace the Ontario Municipal Board with a new tribunal, the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal. This historic reform will reduce the length and cost of hearings and examinations, and help ensure that proceedings before the tribunal are faster, fairer and more affordable.



• North Maple Regional Park

North Maple Regional Park Phase 1A work is proceeding on schedule. Work has been reduced throughout the winter months and will resume as soon as weather permits. The soccer fields and trails will be completed for Summer 2018.



• Civic Hero Award Recipient

I am proud to have nominated Kathryn Angus for the Civic Hero Award 2017. Kathryn Angus generously donates her time towards meaningful causes and is a dynamic voice for her community.

Past Civic Hero Recipients:

Garry Vosburg in 2016
David Brand in 2015
Tanya Khan in 2014 (post humous)
Norma Curtis in 2013
Hugh Cook in 2012



2018 BUDGET for Maple/Kleinburg

- Maple - Safety surfacing replacement at Mario Plastina Park
- Maple - Play equipment replacement at Princeton Gate & West Maple Creek Park
- Maple - Maple Community Centre feasibility study will look at improvements to building, space functionality, washrooms and change room upgrades
- Maple - Melville Avenue: traffic study to be completed
- Maple - North Maple Regional Park Phase 1B to include washrooms, change rooms and covered meeting space to be completed by Fall 2018
- Maple - Avro Road and Jane Street intersection improvements
- Kleinburg - Firehall station #74 on Nashville Rd to be completed by Sept 2019
- Kleinburg - Culvert replacement/rehabilitation west of Cold Creek Road
- Kleinburg - Secord Park Phase 2 Construction of a waterpark
- Kleinburg - United Church Parking lot rehabilitation; resurfacing and grading
- Kleinburg - Park Development at Huntington Road/Algoma Drive, construction to be completed by 2020



In the community

