

February 17, 2023

Hello residents of LaSalle,

I would like to start off by thanking administration for holding a Budget Open House earlier this month to help answer questions and guide residents through the budget process. I look forward to continuing the process of providing opportunities to meet with residents face-to-face.

A budget session was held on Wednesday, February 8. Through this process Council made the decision to send the 2023 Draft Budget back to administration to reduce the percentage increase while keeping the current service level. The budget will be an agenda item on the Tuesday, February 28 LaSalle Council Meeting. For 2023 Draft Budget information visit **www.lasalle.ca/finance**.

Indoor Drop-in Pickleball

Pickleball sessions continue at the Event Centre, 970 Front Rd., until the end of March. We heard from the community that there is a lot of interest in evening sessions. We are happy to accommodate an evening time period. Sessions are held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Hours include:

• 9:00 am to 11:00 am

A Message from Mayor Crystal Meloche

- 11:30 am to 1:30 pm
- 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Full details can be found at **www.lasalle.ca/pickleball**

Black History Month

In 1955 the House of Commons recognized February as Black History Month. It is a time for Canadians to honour and celebrate the diverse history and culture of black people in Canada and to acknowledge the many everyday contributions of black communities who have done so much to make Canada a culturally diverse, compassionate, and prosperous country. Learn more through the Canadian Heritage section on the Government of Canada website.

Howard/Bouffard Drainage

The Town has retained Dillon Consulting Ltd. to prepare a solution to address stormwater overflow into the Howard and Bouffard Planning Area during major storm events. The Town has studied the feasibility of developing this area for several years and has invested in infrastructure in the area, including the construction of Laurier Parkway and the trunk sanitary sewer. There is significant interest from several local landowners in developing the area over the next 20 years.

Join us for an in-person Public Information Centre (PIC) on: March 1, 2023, 4:00 to 7:00 pm Council Chambers, LaSalle Civic Centre, 5950 Malden Road, LaSalle, Ontario.

www.lasalle.ca/studies

Wishing you a fun Family Day on Monday, February 20!

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Mayor Crystal Meloche