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Good morning,

I'm happy to share PVSC's fall update for 2023, which keeps you informed about PVSC's current and upcoming activities.

As always, if you have questions regarding property assessment, reports, or our shared services, or you would like to discuss anything mentioned below, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Thanks,

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Fall 2023 Update

Going Ons

Fall is a busy time of year for PVSC. Assessment staff are attending appeal hearings, conducting analysis and review for the 2024 reassessment, and are in the field performing permit inspections.

In addition to these activities, PVSC is also monitoring remediation and rebuild efforts in Halifax, Shelburne, and Barrington after the wildfires this summer, as well as capturing structural damage and/or environmental contamination after the July floods and Hurricane Lee.

We are asking that property owners call us if their property has sustained structural damage or environmental contamination so we can email them a questionnaire to collect more information.

A bulletin with instructions for property owners is attached, which you can share with property owners, post on your website, or share in upcoming newsletters, etc.

Monitoring the Market

PVSC continues to use several advanced modeling tools to conduct in-depth market analysis and support data-driven decision-making.

With a shift in Nova Scotia's real estate market beginning in early 2020, tracking and evaluating market trends is foundational to producing a fair and accurate assessment roll. Our data science and operations staff work closely to understand the sales and trends for different sectors and property types across the province.

Permits

Important: By ensuring permits are up-to-date in PDX you help us to prioritize permit reviews.

As building permit inspections are ongoing, it is vital that **all permits are received in a timely manner and under the correct inspection status**. This ensures that all active building permits can be reviewed in time for the 2024 roll. If you require assistance with PDX, please contact servicedesk@pvsc.ca.

A reminder that when assessment staff are in the field, they have PVSC-issued identification, wear high-visibility vests, and their cars are marked with PVSC decals.

Upcoming Municipal Conferences:

PVSC staff will be attending and hosting booths at the following conference:

- **Association of Municipal Tax Collectors:** Oct 5
- **Association of Municipal Administrators:** Oct 17-20
- **Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities:** Nov 7-10

We hope to see you there!

Year End Key Dates:

In October, we will share the key year-end dates for the filing of the 2024 Assessment Roll. You can expect increased outreach and communications from PVSC in advance of the Roll.

Training Calendar:

We host training/refresher sessions for municipal staff that cover a variety of helpful topics related to our business. See below for upcoming training sessions and keep an eye on your mailbox for invitations a week before each session. Be sure to hit 'accept invite' if you wish to attend.

- **September 21: Daily and Weekly Reports** – a session to help you better understand the daily and weekly reports posted on the secure File Transfer Protocol (sFTP) site.
- **October: 3 PVSC Website** – join us as we show you where to find useful information for both property owners and municipal staff on our website.
- **October 19: Monthly and Quarterly Reports** – a session to help you better understand the monthly and quarterly reports posted on the sFTP site.
- **October 31: Assessment 101** – let us share about what we do and how we do it.
- **November 9 and December 7: Year-End Reports** – learn how to use these key reports to support your budget and tax roll preparation.
- **November 21: Introduction to datazONE** – learn how our open data portal can be used for many common data requests.

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