



POTTON IN BRIEF



Recent decisions by the Municipal Council

Out of the ordinary decisions:

The municipal Council has adopted their strategic plan which can be found on the municipal website at: <http://potton.ca/en/municipality/municipal-affairs/>

The Council has endorsed a study for a possible project that would consist of re-surfacing the base of the rink and the construction of a roof over it.

At this time of year, the Council accepts the official procedure for recovery of outstanding taxes; the concerned citizens receive a notice requesting payment of taxes in arrears **by or before Friday, March 16th 2018**. Any payment after this date must be made directly to the MRC Memphremagog in Magog and accounts must be paid in full. On June 14th, 2018 any properties with outstanding accounts will be part of the sale of immovables for non-payment of taxes.

The Council supports a new public sculpture project (the third), as part of a request for financial assistance from the MRC Memphremagog. The project is led by the Potton Cultural and Heritage committee.

Routine decisions:

Every year in February, authorizations are obtained from Council for the call for tenders regarding road work and hourly rates of local contractors and also for the hiring of seasonal employees. Certain approvals are also given for accountability and for the nominations to various committees. The lease for the tourist office has also been extended to twelve months.

Decisions for town planning include a minor derogation, a request for authorization under the PIIA, a conditional use and an inspection agreement with MRC Memphremagog.

Two notices of motions were given during the meeting. One announcing a bylaw for financial assistance to local businesses and another to establish speed limits on municipal roads.

For additional information regarding the meeting, please consult the minutes at the following address: <http://potton.ca/en/municipality/municipal-affairs/>

Community Information



THE YOUTH CENTRE PROGRAMS

BOYS AND GIRLS GROUP

Boys aged 5-12 Thursdays 2:00 - 4:30 p.m.

Girls aged 5-12 Fridays 2:00 - 4:30 p.m.



DANCE/LEADERSHIP

Boys & Girls aged 5-12

Saturday 1:00 – 4:30 p.m. Call the YC to register 450-292-4886

DROP-IN

Youth aged 12 and up

Fridays 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.

Entrance fee: \$1.00 per day or evening

EXERCISE THROUGH BOXING TECHNIQS

Every Friday from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Volunteer Teacher: Ethan Ball

Cost: \$5/session, free for SADD members

LIBRARY EXTENDED OPENING HOURS ON WEDNESDAYS

To help citizens break up the winter blues, the library will stay open until 8:30 p.m. every Wednesday until March 7th. After this date, the closing time will return to 6:00 p.m. Come and enjoy a night out at your local library. Free WIFI, book loans, fax, photocopy, and computers.



EXHIBITION AT THE LIBRARY FROM FEBRUARY 1ST TO FEBRUARY 28TH

Silkscreen by Geneviève Duplessis, resident of Potton. Come meet the artist during the vernissage, Friday, February 9th, 2018 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. A prize will be drawn around 6:30 p.m. You could win a silkscreen! Municipal Library, 2 Vale Perkins Street.



FREE COMPUTER SUPPORT SERVICE AT THE MUNICIPAL LIBRARY

Every Thursday, starting January 11th, 2018, **ELAINE HEITNER**, a retired computer science teacher, will be in the library from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. to answer any questions you may have about computers, tablets and the internet.



She can help you get started using email, Facebook, Google, Skype, Microsoft Word and Excel, setting up your laptop, tablet, phone, organizing your photos or files or getting eBooks from the Bibliothèque Nationale. For those who do not have a computer or tablet, we have three computers in the library for you to use. Info: Elaine 450-292-3768.

RECYCLING POLYSTYRENE (STYROFOAM)



Reminder: The polystyrene recovery service is offered at the residual material drop-off on Sundays from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., thanks to our partnership with Nexkemia!

Identified by the code number 6, polystyrene is a plastic which is rigid or expanded (Styrofoam).

Preparation of polystyrene container:

- Remove labels
- Remove any adhesive tape
- Remove the absorbent pads
- Remove peelable lids
- Wash the containers



Polystyrene is sorted into 3 categories:



- Expanded polystyrene: Packaging for electronic and household appliances, coffee cups, coolers
- Extruded polystyrene: Disposable plates and bowls, egg packaging, trays for meat, fish and poultry, fast-food containers
- Non-expanded polystyrene: Disposable plates, bowls and utensils, single serving containers, take-out packaging, small milk containers

DAY CAMP 2018

Program designers for the Outdoor Adventures Camp are busy planning another exciting program. We would like to hear from YOU! If there is a special activity or outing that you would like to see as part of this year's line-up (that fits in our unique outdoor theme), please send your ideas to: loisirs@potton.ca. Summer 2018 dates and details are now available online at:

<http://potton.ca/en/recreation-and-culture/day-camps/>



COEUR VILLAGEOIS COMMITTEE MEETING

Initiated by Tourisme Cantons-de-l'Est, the project Cœur Villageois aims to highlight the natural and cultural assets of the village of Mansonville to improve the quality of life of citizens and to welcome visitors.

Several new projects will be implemented this year.

An invitation for a 5 à 7 will be sent this spring to the citizens of Pottton to inform them about the concrete achievements of Cœur Villageois in 2017 and current work. In the meantime, citizens wishing to attend meetings as observers are welcome: the first meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 13th at 7:00 p.m., 2nd floor of Town Hall, 2 Vale Perkins Street.

Info: 450-292-4403

INCOME TAX SERVICE FOR LOW INCOME EARNERS

Between March 1st and April 15th, CABMN will offer the income tax service to single individuals earning up to \$25,000 per year and couples earning up to \$30,000 per year. For more information contact 450-292-3114.



THE MUSEUM OF OUTSIDER ART AT MANSONVILLE

The new owners of the former United Church have created a museum that is now open to public. The museum presents works of mostly self-taught artists who express their inner world with great intensity. Over 150 artworks are exhibited: drawing, paintings, tapestries, and sculptures.

307 rue Principale, on Saturdays and Sundays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



ST-CAJETAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

To reach the Church: 450-292-0437 or stcajetan.potton@gmail.com. There is a church service every Saturday at 4:00 p.m. Everyone welcome!

CINÉMA POTTON PRESENTS AT TOWN HALL, 2ND FLOOR:

Thursday, February 15th at 4:00 p.m. **“The other side of hope”**, a Finnish comedy by Aki Kaurismäki. Original version with English sub-titles.

Thursday, March 1st at 4:00 p.m. **“Visages Villages”**, a French documentary by Agnès Varda and JR. Fee: members \$7, non-members \$9, 18 and less **free**.



THE WORD FROM THE CONSULTATION COMMITTEE ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Did you know that pharmaceutical drugs are harmful to the environment when thrown in the toilet? Pharmacies accept them for free and will dispose of them properly.

FESTIVAL OF HEARTS

Please consult our detailed program of all activities at:
<http://potton.ca/en/recreation-and-culture/special-events/>

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