

Potton in Brief

April 2014

Township Council's recent decisions:

Authorization to refinance the debt (\$533,100) for the CLSC building for five years. Also, the payment of financial help \$21,000 for the "Cooperative les petits Ziboux" was authorized, to be made in two instalments.

<u>Hiring seasonal staff</u> for 2014: Richard Lauzon, Jean-Sebastien Ducharme, Luc Beaudoin and Alain Pilon were hired as employees at the municipal wharf in Vale Perkins. Richard Lauzon, Luc Beaudoin and Kevin McCoy were hired for the maintenance of parks and public spaces. Alexandra Ducharme and Alexis Stogowski were hired for measuring the septic systems. Alexis Stogowski, Samuel Fortin and Julie Dufour were hired for the ecocentre. Matthew Clark Marcoux was hired as an assistant clerk at the Potton Tourist Bureau.

<u>Public Works</u>: Mandate granted to Myrroy Enterprises Inc. for sweeping city streets with a vacuum truck at the rate of \$97 an hour. Contract awarded to the firm Somavrac CC Inc. for spreading liquid calcium to control the dust on gravel roads for a total of \$53,800 (plus tax). Contract awarded to Allard et Allard Construction Inc. for supplying and spreading gravel as required, at \$16 plus tax per metric ton. Contract awarded to André Paris Inc. for cutting vegetation at the edges of municipal roads for a total amount of \$6,050 (plus tax). Authorization for the Municipality to spread an anti-dust compound on Domaine Château Ruisseau Road, at the residents'expense.

<u>Environment</u>: Mandate given to Sani-Estrie for recycling agricultural plastics at the amount of \$405 per container (4) per year. Acquisition of a new container for the Ecocentre.

<u>Urbanism</u>: Request to add a building at 99 Rte. Mansonville. Proposed construction of a single family dwelling on Panorama Road and a proposed subdivision on Owl's Head Road. Authorization to build a communication tower and path granted to CPTAQ. Surrender of an abandoned piece of land, part of former Vale Perkins Road. Approval of the design and cost of a road sign in Vale Perkins.

Nominations for positions at the Potton Cultural & Heritage Committee with Thérèse Descary as Chairperson. Also, Diane Rypinski Marcoux will represent the municipality at the "Transport des Alentours Inc."

Adoption of Regulation 2014-424: "Governance of the Potton Municipality Council's meetings".

Community information:

We have reduced our ultimate waste by 42% since last June. During the same period, recyclable materials increased by 13% and we picked-up 105 tonnes of compost. This performance is outstanding in only 9 months. Congratulations to all for your cooperation!

Please keep a distance of 3 feet between bins or any object on pick-up day. Always place them with the wheels facing your property. Please, read carefully notices given by the contractor or you may not be picked-up next time.

The municipal Ecocentre opens Saturday, May 3rd, 2014 (8 a.m. to 1 p.m.). Only cash is accepted and proof of residence is required. Each owner can bring one free load of bulky items up to 2m³ (bring ticket provided with your tax bill). **Please note that unloading service on the ramp is no longer available** (only assistance will be provided to indicate where to put the materials). For details on accepted materials and pricing, contact Town Hall or visit www.potton.ca. Since no bulky items pick-up is provided this year, the Municipality will establish a list of people interested in offering transportation service for those who cannot bring their own materials to the Ecocentre. If you are interested, contact the Town Hall (450-292-3313).

It will be possible to bring branches to former landfill (Bellevue Road) on Saturday May 31st and June 14th, 2014 between 2 and 4 p.m.

Bilingual conference on domestic composting will take place Saturday, June 14th at 10:30 a.m. at the Town Hall. The MRC finances the purchase of home composters. For info: www.mrcmemphremagog.com or 819-843-9292 ext 24.

Rainwater barrels will be on sale at a discount. Request forms to reserve yours are available at the Town Hall (450-292-3313) or on www.potton.ca. Deadline: May 15th, 2014.

Shoreline shrubs will be available again this spring. To find out the varieties available or to order, ask for the form at the Town Hall (450-292-3313) or on www.potton.ca. Deadline: May 6th, 2014.

After several years of making aware the population of the prohibition of controlling the vegetation on shorelines, the Town will apply the legislation this year. An environmental attendant will visit waterfront properties during the summer. Potton citizens are invited to a conference on the naturalization of shorelines, which will be held on Saturday, May 3rd, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the City Hall of East Bolton.

One stand remains available at the village market. For information, contact Richard Tetreault at 450-292-3780.

The sawmill, formerly operated by Champigny, will be reopening in a few weeks under new management. This forbears employment opportunity for Potton.

The police (SQ) will be more present in Potton and will use an office, supplied by the Municipality in the Business Centre, on 297 main street, Mansonville.