



Potton in Brief



December 2012

Decisions:

Declaration of pecuniary interests by council members, annual appointment of council members on committees and deposit of the schedule of regular meetings to be held in 2013.

Agreement to continue using the legal services of Therrien, Couture in 2013.

Authorization to pay SM Inc. for the preparation of plans and specifications for repairs to the covered bridge (\$7,500 plus taxes) and the participation in the Chemin des Cantons project in 2012 (\$1,729).

Increase of 1.9% (consumer price index for Quebec) of the municipal payroll.

Permanent status granted to Ms. Alexandra Leclerc, public hygiene and environment specialist.

Authorization for the Mayor to sign the revised employment contract of the Director general and secretary-treasurer, Mr. Thierry Roger.

Authorization to issue a call for tenders for repairs to the covered bridge.

Renewal of the contract with the Humane Society (\$ 3,158 in 2013).

Choice of "Chemin des Nénuphars" for the name of a new street in the Myosotis sector.

The street name "Jean-Charles Labranche" will replace "Rudolf Tomuschat" and "Rudolph Tomuschat" will replace "Otis McNeil" which will be used to designate another location to be determined.

Filing of the 2012 manifesto of the Potton Heritage Association which includes recommendations to the municipal council.

Deposit of notices of motion to amend planning regulations, particularly in the Owl's Head sector. It should be noted that the erection of a communication tower in the southern part of White road is included; a public consultation on many of the changes will take place in January.

Decision to contribute, for a period of five (5) years (2012-2016) to the fundraising campaign of the "Fondation du Centre de santé et services sociaux de Memphrémagog"; the annual contribution will be \$7,810. Given the valuable services rendered to our citizens of both Potton and Magog establishments, the council, like many other municipalities in the MRC, has agreed to participate in this campaign with a goal of \$2.5 millions, \$655,000 by the municipalities. The money raised will be used in oncology (1 million), specialized equipment in the operating rooms (1 million) and to support home care (0.5 million).

The contract for the collection of waste for the next five years has been awarded to "Les Entreprises Raymond Chérier" for the sum of \$1,578,758. The management of the Ecocentre is included for one year only. The new governmental objectives in waste management will bring many changes in 2013 including the use, as of April, of blue and brown bins. In January, an information campaign will be launched and will include public meetings as well as information bulletins.

"Les Residences Potton" are looking for another wheelchair. If you are able to help, please get in touch with Helen Barry Dussault (450 292-3323 in the office, at home 450 292-3108, 514 917-3108 (cell) or dussaulthelenbarry@hotmail.com).

The 2013 budget has been adopted and will be the subject of a separate bulletin. However, it should be stated that notwithstanding an increase of close to \$193,000 in police services and garbage collection, taxes collected from the citizens will remain the same since the savings attained by the new snow removal contracts cover an important part of the above mentioned increases.

Staff, as well as Council members, wishes you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. May 2013 bring the fulfillment of your wishes.