



# Potton in brief

December 2015

## Recent Council decisions:

Nomination of elected officials to take charge of committees, and nomination of new members for the Consultation Committee for Sustainable Development (CCDD) for 2016. Those interested to fill the vacant seat should complete the form available at the Town Hall or on [www.Potton.ca](http://www.Potton.ca) before Jan 8<sup>th</sup> 2016.

Cost of living adjustment to the salaries of Municipal employees including firemen and Council members, indexed to the cost of living (which is 0.7%) effective for 2016.

Authorization to modify the Potton Inter municipal Fire Prevention agreement, at a cost of \$1,158 per year.

Renewal of contracts with PG Solutions for all software systems for \$12,285, as well as the insurance policy with the *Mutuelle des municipalités* for a premium in the amount of \$64,500.

Authorization to use public parking spaces, one for the Tourist Bureau and 2 spaces for the Boucle d'Or beauty salon, now newly located at 2B des Pins Street.

Recommendation to join the David Suzuki Foundation "Blue Dot" to help empower citizens to live in a clean environment: <http://bluedot.ca/>

Urbanism: minor derogation on Bécassines road and acceptance of an Osteopathic sign at Centre Professionnel de Mansonville: 297 Principale St.

5 motions were passed as well: i) zoning changes to introduce two proposed types of integrated projects: "*Recreational Touristic Lodging*" and "*Integrated Residential Projects*"; ii) change of the regulated closing date of the Municipal Warf; iii) enacting the applicable Tax Rates and Tariffs for fiscal year 2016, including conditions for collection; iv) to modify the Employment condition bylaw in respect of flexible days off for Municipal employees; v) to modify the Fire security bylaw in order to harmonize regulation concerning access to properties.

## Community Information:

The first annual **Christmas Market "C'est Chouette"** will take place on December 12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> of from 10 AM to 4 PM at the Town Hall. Buy your Christmas presents from local artisans: special foods and original gift ideas, jewellery, pottery, clothes, handbags and accessories, Alpaca knits, Japanese floral art, children's books, watercolours, recycled art and more... Do not miss the **Story telling hour** for small children, both days at 10:30 AM. Also, a concert given by **Coeur des Gens Heureux de Magog**, Saturday December 12<sup>th</sup> at 3 PM until 4:30 PM at Marie Paul Villeneuve's Church and a **sale of used books** at the Library all weekend. A **turkey dinner** will be offered on December 12<sup>th</sup> at noon at Potton apartments. Information: R. Georges 450-292-5638 or cell: 819-239-9971.

Come and celebrate the start of winter, Sunday December 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:45 AM for the **winter solstice at the Top of Owl's Head**. Meet at the Ski lift at 6:45 AM sharp. Cost: \$15 for Chair lift tickets (Season's Pass Holders are free), \$10 for buffet breakfast at 8 AM. Reservations before December 17<sup>th</sup> with Carol Bishop 450-292-4844.

**Christmas lights are now recyclable but... do not put them in your blue bin as they may damage the equipment at the Sorting Center.** Bring them on a Sunday afternoon to the Eco-Center from 1 to 5 PM, (only lights and wiring no frames or supports).

**Francine Hemmings, osteopath by profession, is ready** to greet you at the Business Center 297, Principale Street in Mansonville, from Monday to Wednesday 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM, information 514-774-6296.

**Winter activity details** will be sent to you by mail in the coming days. This year again, an inter-municipal agreement enables Potton residents to have access to the **Waterloo leisure activities**. All relevant information will be on the Waterloo website from December 14<sup>th</sup>. Online inscriptions will be available from December 21<sup>st</sup> and in person from January 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Nexkemia and safety.** Following their expansion completed in July 2015, Nexkemia has obtained a new Certificate of authorization from the MDDELCC, as well as approval from the Municipality of Potton. They wish to inform the population of their commitment to meet or exceed the new regulations over the next 24 months. If you have any questions please contact: Michel Cote or Stephane Trepanier at 450-292-3333.

Further to the **Emergency Security Plan** recently adopted by the Town, we will publish on the Potton Web site and Facebook, regular updates of public interest, for example, last week: "Have you prepared your Winter Emergency kit for your car?"

**Six apartments are available** at \$627 per month at Apartments Potton. Rental reduction is available with *Accès Logis*. Information: 450-292-3323 or [lesappartementspotton@gmail.com](mailto:lesappartementspotton@gmail.com).

The Town Hall will be closed for the Christmas Holidays from December 24<sup>th</sup> 2015 to January 3<sup>rd</sup> 2016. The Council and municipal staff wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!