



Potton in Brief

November 2014

Township Council's recent decisions:

The Town Hall will be closed for the Christmas holidays from December 23rd at 4 p.m. Employees will return to work on Monday morning, January 5th, 2015.

The schedule for regular meetings of the City Council for 2015 was adopted and will be posted on the Potton website.

Request was made to Canada Post to restore opening hours of the Mansonville post office given the size of the area served and the extensive use of this Postal branch by residents and the Municipality.

Authorization to pay a severance package equivalent to eight weeks of pay, plus a sum of \$10,000 to Claudette Laplume, who, for more than 20 years, provided good and loyal services to the Municipality as Town Clerk and Assistant to the General Manager Secretary Treasurer.

Adoption of a new wage scale, effective January 1, 2015, with salary adjustments for certain positions, for a yearly cost of \$9,250 in salary increases.

Permission granted to Guy Vincent to install an ice rink in the municipal park at the Vale Perkins wharf and allow its use by the public. The municipality will not be involved in this project.

Permission to contribute \$6,798.81 to the Owners Association for the maintenance of Carlton-Oliver Road.

Minor variance accepted on 9 Equinoxe road for placement of an accessory building at 2.64 m from the line, for reasons of topography.

Adoption of a consolidated bylaw to prevent zebra mussel infestation in Lake Memphremagog.

Please note that the referendum on the modifications to the zoning and conditional uses in the RF-1 zone will be held Sunday, November 30th at the Potton Town Hall from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Votes by mail must be received at the Town Hall before November 29th at 4 p.m. The ballot papers will be mailed out on November 11th, 2014.

Community information:

The 2014 vaccination program, against seasonal influenza, began last Thursday at the CLSC and continues Nov. 20th and Dec. 11th. This is a mass vaccination and no appointment is required.

You may be eligible for a **Christmas Food Basket**, but you must come to the CAB (314-B, Principale St, Mansonville) to fill out a form **before December 1, 2014**. As always, all requests will be treated confidentially.

Potton won **second prize** (out of 45 entrants) **at the Quebec Waste Reduction Challenge Week**, because of our performance in this field! Potton has been invited to share our experience at the annual meeting of the "Association des organismes municipaux de gestion des matières résiduelles du Québec" on November 27th.

To better understand how to sort your recycling, we are offering a **free visit to the sorting center** in Sherbrooke on Friday, November 21st. Meet at 12:30 p.m. at Place Manson to carpool or proceed at 2 p.m. directly to the site, conference room of the sorting center Récup-Estrie, 2180 Claude Greffard street, Sherbrooke. Maximum: 30 persons. Please register at 450-292-0547 before November 17th if you wish to attend.

The list of **new books in the library** is displayed on the website Potton.ca. Remember that the library is now open on Mondays on the regular weekday schedule from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., that Wednesday it stays open until 7 p.m. on Wednesday, and that in addition it is open as well on Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon.

Cinema Potton present *IDA*, a Polish drama by Pawel Pawlikowski, on Thursday, November 20 at 7:30 p.m. This film won the Best Foreign Film at London Film Festival in 2013. A special presentation on Saturday, December 13 at 11:00 a.m. of *Mon Oncle Antoine*, the best Quebec and Canadian film of all times by Claude Jutra, made in 1971, starring Jean Duceppe and Monique Mercure. The screening will be followed by a potluck meal.

Cinema Potton is planning to launch a **website** in 2015. If you are interested in bidding on the contract to create this site, please contact Jean-Marc Bourgeois before November 15th at cinemapotton@gmail.com

There are **3 positions up for renewal on the Urban Advisory Committee (CCU)** for the following areas: Province-Hill / Bombardier (5), Owl's Head / Knowlton Landing (6) and the Owl's Head development area (7). For more information see the website potton.ca

A big Christmas tree will be inaugurated in the Manson square on Saturday, November 29th. Children are invited to prepare their own Christmas decorations to hang on the tree during a little Christmas party between 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. At 7:00 p.m. we will light-up the 6000 lights on our big, beautiful and natural Christmas tree. Hot chocolate will be served. Everyone is welcome, the young and the young at heart too!

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