

Potton in Brief, August 2011

Decisions:

Participation of the Mayor and Councillor Michel Daigneault to the annual congress of the Quebec Federation of Municipalities.

Changes at the request of the ministry to the \$150 000 borrowing bylaw for various municipal purposes.

Approval of the following projects to be largely funded by the program 2009-2013 TECQ Program (taxe sur l'essence, contribution Québec); the work will be performed over time

Four fire hydrants on the village water network	\$ 24 000
Repair of valves on the village water network	\$ 16 914
Owl's Head Road refection	\$ 301 796
West Hill Road refection	\$ 52 959
Jay View Road refection	\$ 76,964
Bellevue Road refection	\$ 114,661
Partial refection of Belair Street	\$ 28 301
Gravelling	\$ 56 815

Promotion of Hughes Thivierge, planner, to the position of Head of Planning and Inspection. His annual salary is increased to \$ 55 590.

Mandate to Councillor Michael Head to sign rights of way for multi-use trails.

Grant application to the Department of Culture, Communications and Status of Women for the restoration of the round barn. The estimate for the restoration is \$ 721,275, half will be subsidized by the Department and the other half will be covered, through donations and other grants, by "Le groupe bénévole municipal de Potton". It should be noted that the municipality will not contribute to the restoration of the barn.

Approval to install five dry hydrants as required by the Fire Risk Coverage Program.

Purchase of a thermal imaging camera for the Fire Department.

Acceptance of the \$ 22 150 bid by "Excavation Stanley Mierzwinski" for the installation of a fire protection water tank on the Vale Perkins Road.

Authorization to continue with the changes to the drainage in the Bear Mountain and Mountain House areas.

Purchase of culverts to repair the road to the Owl's Head golf course.

Authorization to proceed with the crushing of the asphalt on West Hill, Bellevue, Jay View and Owl's Head roads.

Installation of a stop sign on Panorama in the Owl's Head area.

Acceptance of two minor derogations and four applications in sectors governed by a site planning and architectural integration plan.

Notice of motion to amend the regulations for permits and zoning certificates and to simplify the application of site planning and architectural integration, another notice of motion to adopt regulations concerning the lowering of speed limits on municipal roads.

Adoption of a bylaw on working conditions of the municipal staff, fire safety, the allowed uses in the Rec-1 zone in Vale Perkins and creation of the agricultural committee of Potton.

Other information:

The town council, in accordance with recommendations in this regard, will proceed to the creation in 2012 of a public market offering agricultural products, arts and crafts. A bylaw will be adopted to govern this activity which could be located on the grounds of the round barn and a grant will be sought to build stalls and modify the landscaping.

2012 will also see a significant change in our waste management. As required by the Quebec government, we will take steps to minimize the disposal of our waste. A committee of elected officials and members of the Environmental Advisory Committee is currently examining this issue and, in time, will hold a public information session for the citizens.

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