

# Potton in brief, December 2011

## Major decisions

Hiring of Ms. Alexandra Leclerc, Environmental Specialist, for a period of one year. Her tasks will include waste management, water management, participation in the municipal committee on sustainable development, liaison with environmental protection partners and response to the numerous demands received by the Quebec Government related to the environment. Ms. Leclerc has a Masters in Environment and has accumulated the equivalent of five years experience. Welcome and good luck to Ms. Leclerc.

Designation of fields of competence and committees of elected officials. Some changes were made. Filing of 2012 calendar of council meetings.

Initiating the process to develop a family policy and a Seniors Friendly Program. Mrs. Rypinski Marcoux will preside the local committee. The process will take place over a period of 15 to 18 months and the Quebec contribution stands at \$24 000.

Increase of 3.4% in the remuneration of staff and elected council members based on the consumer price index as stated in the working conditions of municipal employees.

Purchase of replacement furniture for the community room of the town hall: 60 chairs and 10 tables.

Hiring of Lydia Pouliot as a firefighter trainee and authorization for the mayor to sign the renewed agreement for first responders' services.

Authorization to call for tenders to collect and transport waste.

Appointment of Suzanne Montel and Howard Heitner to the Advisory Committee on Sustainable Development.

Adoption of the second project regarding conditional uses allowed on the Bois Champigny site.

Acceptance of two minor derogations and agreement to support a request to the "Commission du territoire agricole" to subdivide a parcel of land.

Initiating the process to eliminate the nuisance found at 124, Vale Perkins road and to correct the septic system deficiency at 159, route de Mansonville.

Acceptance of the reforestation plan and issuance of an infraction notice for excessive deforestation on Richard Jones Road. The fine to be determined will be between \$2000 and \$3000.

Deposit of the final report of the 2011 multicultural festival showing an accumulated surplus of \$1,201.36

Adoption of the bylaw establishing a public market to be located on the round barn site when governmental funding becomes available.

## Other Information

A new group of Katimavik volunteers will arrive on January 5. Like the previous groups, the volunteers will be with us for six months to help our volunteer non-profit organizations. We are also assured of the presence of Katimavik with us until June 2013 which means that we will be welcoming three additional groups.

Staff and council members of Potton wish you all a very prosperous and healthy 2012.

Jacques Marcoux