

POTTON IN BRIEF



Recent Council Decisions

November 2020

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCES: The schedule of regular council meetings for 2021, authorizations granted for payment of invoices regarding the gravel for several municipal roads and for Tijaro Ltée.

PERSONNEL: Hiring of a temporary employee for snow removal on municipal sidewalks, for the residual matter depot at the municipal garage and also for parks, property and buildings. Nomination as required under section III of the Regulation respecting the application of the Act to promote the protection of persons by establishing a framework with regard to dogs.

MATERIAL, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES: Purchase of a used ice resurfer for the skating rink at the multipurpose shelter.

TRANSPORTATION AND ROADS: Filing of the private roads inspection report for the renewal of service agreements, acceptance of the subcontractors for the snow removal contracts and hourly rate for removal of snow accumulations in the village.

TOWNPLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT: PIIA-6: Lot 6 320 273, Panorama Road, Addenda to the permit request 2020-00163 – Construction of a single-family dwelling.

NOTICE OF MOTION: Bylaw number 2019-459-A modifying the bylaw 2019-459 regarding the rules for delegation, control and budgetary monitoring and number 2020-470 decreeing a tariff for an intervention intended to prevent or put out a vehicle on fire.

ADOPTION OF BYLAWS: Bylaw number 2001-291-AY modifying the zoning bylaw 2001-291 and its amendments, number 2001-292-Q modifying the subdivision bylaw 2001-292 and its amendments, bylaw number 2001-296-G modifying the PIIA bylaw 2001-296 and its amendments, number 2005-327-Q modifying the bylaw on conditional uses 2005-327 and its amendments, bylaw number 2020-469 authorizing the use of off-road vehicles on public municipal roads and draft bylaw number 2020-470 decreeing a tariff during for an intervention intended to prevent or put out a vehicle on fire.

The next council meeting will be held on December 7th. Please do not forget to reserve your spot given the measures arising from COVID. The audio tapes are also available on the municipal website: <https://potton.ca/en/municipality/municipal-affairs/>

Municipal Information

MAYOR JACQUES MARCOUX RETIRES: HIS LAST MESSAGE

"The time has come for me to bow out and leave it to others to continue to improve the great Township of Potton".

During my fifteen years on the municipal council, I launched various projects which were carried out with the help of several other people whom I would like to sincerely thank. In addition, the administrative staff, despite the increasing tasks, has always been there and ensured that progress continued.

Potton's progress is close to my heart and I see, in the near future, an even greater development than in the past. We must seize this occasion and deliver to our successors an environment whose harmonious development will lead us to quote the township's motto: "More than any other, this part of the country smiles at me."

Finally, I thank all those who will move things forward in the future."



--Jacques Marcoux

Mayor of the Municipality of the Township of Potton
1989-1993 / 2009-2013 / 2017-2020
Municipal Councillor 1981-1985

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TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

New! This year, Santa Claus will have a gift to the children of the township. To receive your present, you must register your child at loisirs@potton.ca or call 450 292-3313 extension 228 before November 27th.

The event will be held, **Friday December 4th at 6:30 p.m. at Place Manson.**



LIBRARY – NEW! ONLINE BOOK LOAN SERVICE

You can now access the complete inventory of books and DVDs from the library in the comfort of your home. If you are already a member of the library, check your inbox for information on how to proceed including your access code. If you did not receive this email, please contact the library so that we can update your information.

To access the site, visit <https://potton.mlasolutions.com/>



ROCK-A-THON

On Saturday, November 7th, the youth from the SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) program (a part of the CABMN), will hold a six-hour ROCK-A-THON where youth will rock, non-stop for six hours in a rocking chair while partaking in group activities. Each youth gets donations for rocking and the funds go toward SADD and Youth Centre activities, programs and equipment purchases.



If you have not sponsored a youth but would like to make a donation to the activity, please send an email to Mable Hastings at m.hastings@cabmn.org or go on the CAB Website at www.cabmn.org and donate through Canada Helps. Mable will be presenting a list of names of those who have sent a donation on that day letting the kids know about your support and to give a boost to what they have raised themselves. Thank you for your generosity.

CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS

Partage/Share Committee - Christmas Food Baskets (Potton and Bolton-Est)

At this time of the year, the committee encourages you to remember those in need.



How to donate:

Monetary gifts (mailed or delivered) and non-perishable foods are both greatly appreciated. Please drop non-perishable foods in one of our containers located in the area or bring them to the Missisquoi North Volunteer Centre at 314-B rue Principale, Mansonville (Québec) J0E 1X0.

How to register:

To receive a Christmas Food Basket, you must CONTACT Jennifer or Debbie at the CABMN 450 292-3114 for them to fill out a form between **NOVEMBER 2 TO DECEMBER 4, 2020**. All requests are of course, treated confidentially.

RESIDUAL MATERIALS MANAGEMENT: During the period when the ecocentre is closed, the residual materials deposit (brown, blue and green bins) remains open every Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. except during the holidays.

Accepted: waste, recyclables, organics, expanded polystyrene (styrofoam used for packaging of electronic and household devices, coffee cups, coolers etc.) and Christmas lights (garlands).

Not accepted: construction materials, electronic equipment, hazardous waste, painting, for these items, please wait for the reopening of the ecocentre in May 2021.

RESIDUAL MATERIALS PICK-UP

When collecting, please do not overload your bin: if the lid does not close, the waste will fall on the ground when lifting the bin. Anything that is on the ground will not be picked up. If the bin is too heavy, the truck's clamps will not be able to lift it.

Anything that is food material goes into the brown bin to create compost.



Brown Bins During Winter: Little Tips

- Place cardboard or newspaper at the bottom to facilitate emptying of the bin so that the materials do not remain frozen at the bottom of the bin;
- Place sheets of newspaper alternating with wet organic material;
- Wrap materials in newspaper or a paper bag before placing them in the brown bin.

CONNEXION POTTON: SIGN-UP!



Connexion Potton was officially launched on October 20th with an initial mailed letter to 1740 of the township's households. One week later, some 13% of these have responded by signing up. From these households, are the following results:

- Close to 40% of these households are permanent residents.
- 97% of answering households provided a mobile phone in order to receive public safety alerts.
- Less than 1% refused, and just 2% of answering households do not currently possess a mobile phone.
- The Fire Department and First Responders now have critical information about the 6% of participating households who have family members who require their special attention.
- Another 16% of participating households have conveyed information about the location of propane tanks and other hazards.
- Close to 100% of participating households have provided well over 300 individual email addresses of residents interested in receiving information about public affairs and participating in surveys.

Please note that regular use of emails and the text-based alert systems will begin only when a sufficient number of residents have signed up.

Over the next few weeks, an additional 130 households will receive letters, the Fire Department will initiate a test of the mobile phone alert system, and people who provided emails will receive a confirming message with more details about our progress.

If the pace of enrolment falls off, the town will send reminders in the mail to those households who have yet to respond. If you have not signed up yet, please do!

The township of Potton is counting on you to make this project a success!

Inquiries about Connexion Potton may be made to:

connexion@potton.ca or by calling 450 292-0844.



WHAT IS THE CONNEXION POTTON PROJECT?

This project is designed to improve communications between the administration and residents by making greater use of email and text messaging.

For more information about the project, please consult the FAQ page:

<https://potton.ca/en/municipality/potton-connexion/>



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