

POTTON IN BRIEF

In the time of the COVID-19



July 2020

Council recent decisions

FINANCES: Authorization to pay an invoice for the distribution of calcium on unpaved roads and also for an invoice from Tijaro Itée for the multifunctional shelter. Acceleration of investments in the local road network and recovery of local road infrastructures;

PERSONNEL: Hiring of a building and environment inspector and an attendant for the residual matter depot at the municipal garage;

TRANSPORTATION AND ROADS: Mandate to EXP for preparing the call for tenders for the partial repair work of several gravel roads (RIRL program) and also for the production of plans and specifications for Myosotis and Nénuphars Roads;

TOWN PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT: Minor derogation: lot 5 752 150, Sugar Loaf Pond Road, installation of a dock on a vacant piece of land, lot 6 320 272, Panorama Road, construction of a single-family dwelling on a slope of 53,1%, lot 5 752 001, montée des Écureuils, construction of a dwelling on a natural slope of more than 15%, PIIA-6 : lot 6 320 272, Panorama Road, construction of a single-family dwelling, PIIA-5 : lot 5 752 482, 11, Grand-Duc Road, extension of a single-family dwelling, lot 5 752 180, 30 Phillias-Cyr Road, Extension of a porch in the front and side yards and toponymy – lot 6 125 713, creation of a private road off of Baker Road;

NOTICE OF MOTION: Borrowing bylaw number 2020-466 in the amount of 1 501 760 \$ to finance the subsidy from the Quebec Ministry of Transport granted under the local roads assistance program and also a bylaw governing mobile canteens and food trucks;

ADOPTION OF BYLAWS: Bylaw number 2001-291-AX modifying the zoning bylaw 2001-291 and its amendments, bylaw number 2001-292-M modifying the subdivision bylaw 2001-292 and its amendments, bylaw number 2001-292-O modifying the subdivision bylaw 2001-292 and its amendments, bylaw number 2001-295-H modifying the bylaw 2001-295 and its amendments regarding conditions for issuing a construction permit, bylaw number 2017-440-G modifying bylaw 2017-440 and its amendments on fire and civil safety and the draft of borrowing bylaw 2020-466 in the amount of 1 501 760 \$ to finance the subsidy from the Quebec Ministry of Transport granted under the local roads assistance program.

The next council meeting will take place on August 3rd at 7:00 p.m.
The meeting will be reopened to the public.

Headlines

MULTIFUNCTIONAL SHELTER: WHERE ARE WE AT?

See the video at the municipal website <https://potton.ca/en/> Latest News Section



From left to right:

- **Guillaume Lapalme**, TIJARO Firm
- **Ronney Korman**, Public Works Manager and Alexandra Leclerc's Assistant
- **Alexandra Leclerc**, Environment & Project Manager

Chronological recall of the facts:

- **December 2017:** Proposal to build a roof over the ice rink
 - **February 2018:** Submission of the construction project for a multifunctional shelter
 - **Summer 2018:** Confirmation of financial assistance of \$ 603,586 from the Government of Quebec
 - **October 2018:** The architectural firm ADSP is mandated to create a concept for the multifunctional shelter
 - **January 2019:** Call for tenders for professional services including plans and specifications. The architectural firm ADSP is selected.
 - **Summer 2019:** Tenders for the execution of construction work: The Tijaro firm obtains the contract
 - **May 2020:** Start of construction work
 - **October 2020:** End of works
- Total estimated cost: \$ 1,4 M**

■ **Alexandra Leclerc, Environment & Project Manager**

"I am a project manager, I have successfully carried out drinking water infrastructure projects, but a structure like a multifunctional shelter on the ice rink is a first for me..., the challenge was to coordinate all of this, to make the bridge between the internal committee with the municipal councillors, the administration and the different professionals as it is a project which included engineering, but also architecture."





■ **Michael Laplume, Municipal Councillor and Deputy Mayor**

“I believe that this project is one of the most important projects that this council has put together ... This is the result of almost 2 years of work and many hours of work by the council and especially of the municipal administration which was able to ensure that this project is born. The park needed a cornerstone, I think that’s what we are giving it today.”

■ **Guillaume Lapalme, Project Manager, Firm TJARO**

“We prepared the land, we made the foundations, framework, concrete, we erected the galvanized steel structure, now we are about to do the other step... the frame, the roof in wood.”



Municipal News

ECOCENTER

Hygiene measures imposed due to COVID-19 caused an increase in waiting time at the Ecocenter. In order to improve efficiency, it is now permitted to have 2 vehicles on the ramp at the same time. This should improve the situation! We would like to reiterate that the employees cannot assist in unloading therefore we encourage you to bring a helping hand to help reduce the unloading time. Thank you for your cooperation and your patience!

NEW OPENING HOURS AT THE LIBRARY



During the months of July and August, the library will be open on Friday from 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please note that you may browse the library’s inventory from home. To see how it works, please click on this link: <https://potton.ca/en/recreation-and-culture/library/> Good news! The new online circulation service will soon be operational! To ensure that we always keep you informed, you may contact the library at 450 292-3948 to confirm, modify or add your email address to your existing contact information.



PUBLIC MARKET: GOOD NEWS!
The “Café du marché” will be back soon with its cappuccinos and homemade pastries. Open Saturday mornings from 9 a.m. to noon until October 10, 2020.



EXOTIC INVASIVE SPECIES

FOR MORE INFORMATION: <https://potton.ca/en/environment/invasive-alien-species/>

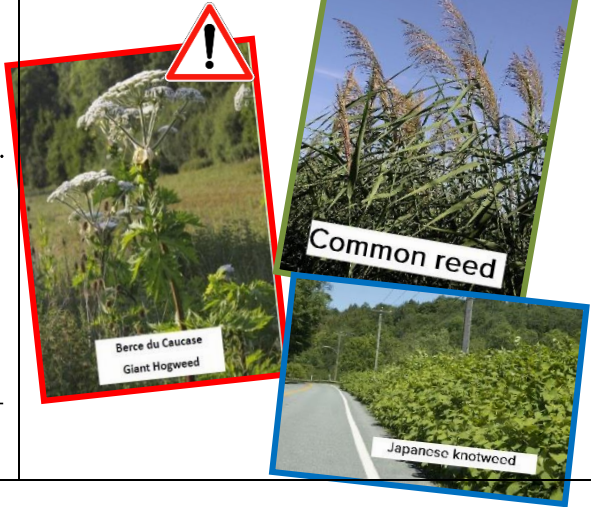
Did you know that there are exotic invasive species in our territory?

The **Giant Hogweed**, **Japanese Knotweed** and **Common Reed** are some of them.

A species is exotic and invasive when introduced outside its range and is a nuisance to native plants, health and/or the environment. Once established, it is very difficult to eliminate it, so it is important to **prevent its introduction and control its spread**.

Giant Hogweed causes severe burns. It is now forbidden to grow or introduce Giant Hogweed on any land.

If you see one, please contact the Municipality which offers a free eradication service.



UPDATE ON OUTDOOR FIRES

During the summer, cleaning fires including branches and leaves are prohibited.

Bonfires are permitted as indicated by the Society for the Protection of Forests Against Fire (SOPFEU). In the Township of Potton, to find out if we can light a bonfire, we can either consult the SOPFEU website <https://sopfeu.qc.ca/> and see if there is a restriction in our region, or more simply, you can consult the SOPFEU fire danger indicator table located completely at the bottom of the home page of our website <https://potton.ca/en/>

If the level indicated is low (blue) or moderate (green), bonfires are allowed. If the table indicates a high (yellow), very high (orange) or red (extreme) level, fires are prohibited.

Always note that, fires in a structure with a mesh grill cover are permitted.

During the periods when fires are allowed, citizens must notify the municipality of their intention to light a bonfire and mention their address, date and time when they intend to light it. This is done for purely preventive purposes because the town must ensure that it has enough responders in the event of a fire. Please call 450 292-3313 ext. 0.



NEW OPENING HOURS OF THE TOWN HALL FROM JULY 3RD

During the summer period, the opening hours of the Town Hall will be Monday to Thursday from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. and **Friday from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** This schedule will be in effect from July 3 to August 28, 2020.



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