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CANTON DE HATLEY



REUSABLE HYGIENE PRODUCTS: NEW POLICY

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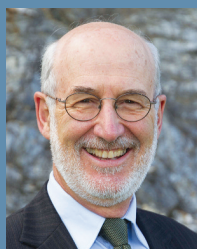
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WORD FROM THE MAYOR

It's only a good bye!

For almost 16 years now, I have had the pleasure of working as a politician, as mayor in the municipal world, the political level having the most impact on its community given its proximity to its citizens. Working initially in the environment committee, I was fortunate to join a dynamic team headed by a visionary man with an innate sense of politics. I was able to evolve under the mentorship of Mayor Pierre Levac for nearly 8 years, before making the jump to mayor.

During these last 8 years, as chief magistrate, several projects have emerged. Small or large files, they have always had the same importance for me. Whether we are talking about the municipal building, the fire department, zoning changes, the remuneration of elected officials and employees or a citizen request, it was important for me that each file be treated fairly and with consideration.

During these years, several people went on to other projects while others joined the Canton of Hatley administrative team. I have been fortunate enough to work with great people. I knew two general managers who cared about our municipality, both dedicated and loyal people to the council who worked tirelessly to inform and support its elected officials. I can assure you that you have a very dedicated and above all professional administrative team. Their loyalty is a very concrete example, the majority working for us for more than 15 years. Their knowledge of the territory and of the people is invaluable.

Of course, the political arena has also seen people come and go. I have been blessed to work with involved, honest, intelligent and above all respectful people. Respectful of others and their choices. Council meetings can be heated at times and it is important to maintain an emotional intelligence that allows us to handle each file individually and impartially. The municipal councilors who make up my team and who have participated in numerous committees over the past few years have all shown this commitment. I wish them an ongoing success.

We are fortunate in the Canton to have citizens who are very respectful of their councilors and of municipal politics. I have had many heated discussions with citizens during my tenure, but none of them ended on a negative note. We cannot please everyone, it is well known, and even less in politics. People are able to understand. They may disagree with the decision, but when you take the time to explain the decision-making process, they can respect the conclusion. For me, it was essential to always take the time to explain things well. Know that you have been, during all these years, a motivation to represent our beautiful municipality. Your trust and participation have always been greatly appreciated.

Thanks to all of you, I have spent the past 16 years in a very pleasant atmosphere that was conducive to my personal fulfilment. No matter how much you love politics, you still have to have fun and I assure you that there were plenty of good times.

I will now tackle a new professional challenge, with the experience and political tools that will serve me in my new position.

Thanks to all of you!

Martin Primeau, mayor



MUNICIPAL INFOS

AUTOMATED ALERT SYSTEM

The municipality's automated alert system makes it possible to reach its citizens by phone, text or e-mail for the transmission of important messages such as road closures or other important messages of public interest.

You can add your contact details by sending an email to: reception@cantondehatley.ca.

LIST OF BABYSITTERS

The municipality maintains a list of babysitters on its website. If you wish to add or remove your name from this list please send an email to reception@cantondehatley.ca.

CANTON PHOTOS SOUGHT

The municipality invites its citizens to share their beautiful photos of Canton de Hatley to illustrate the 2022 photo calendar. The theme is open and can include landscapes, nature, wildlife, leisure activities, the agricultural world, etc. Please send your photos in high quality by the end of September to: reception@cantondehatley.ca.



Photo credit: Hélène Brien

RECREATION PROGRAM – FALL 2021

Visit our Facebook page or our website for details: cantondehatley.ca Recreation menu

SHRUB BED MAINTENANCE - SELF-EMPLOYED WORKER NEEDED

Occasional work at your own pace - The Municipality of the Canton of Hatley is looking for a self-employed worker for shrub bed maintenance in front of the Town Hall.

The work involves maintaining the existing layout: seasonal shrub bed maintenance, weeding at regular intervals, adding mulch and pruning. Do you have skills in this area and would like to apply? Send us an email, with your hourly rate, to info@cantondehatley.ca or contact us at 819 842-2977.



COMMUNITY



THE PAIR PROGRAM

Do you live alone or know someone who lives alone? The Pair program could give you the security you need. It's FREE and the program has saved many lives already! Pair is aimed primarily at people who are aging and living alone. This is a personalized, automated calling service that reaches subscribers to ensure their health is good.

How it works ?

It's simple... Since the program works with computer software, the subscriber chooses the number of call (s) he wishes to receive per day or per week. He also chooses the time he receives his call (s).

When the program contacts the subscriber, responding indicates that all is well. After 3 attempts within 20 minutes, if the subscriber has not answered, the system triggers an alert and a home visit is made to verify the member's state of health.

How to join?

It is possible to register now on the site policerpm.com/inscription-programme-pair/

For additional information on the program or for assistance with registration, you can contact the Régie de police de Memphrémagog at 819-843-3334, ext. 0. You can also visit programmepair.ca.

SENIORS SERVICE

Lennoxville and surrounding community aid
164, rue Queen,
Sherbrooke (Québec) J1M 1J9
info@communityaid.ca
Website: communityaid.ca
819 821-4779



Territories served

Lennoxville, Waterville, North Hatley and Canton de Hatley.

Services

- Meals on Wheels
- Friendly visit
- OPALS: suitable exercise for the elderly
- Activity day organized according to the seasons in order to break the isolation
- Blood pressure clinic
- Foot care clinic

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE POLICY TO PROMOTE THE USE OF VARIOUS REUSABLE HYGIENE PRODUCTS

The Municipality of the Canton of Hatley supports families and the environment

Council wishes to encourage the residents of the Canton of Hatley to reduce their waste production for the preservation of the environment with the enhancement of its financial assistance program for the purchase of cloth diapers. Thus, a 50% refund is now offered to citizens on the purchase of certain washable and reusable hygiene products.

A reimbursement of up to \$ 200 per residence

Once the purchase is complete, each applicant must provide the supporting documents requested in order to obtain a reimbursement of up to \$ 200 maximum per residence, per year. This policy came into effect on August 2nd, 2021.

Products included in the program

The financial assistance is applicable specifically to the products indicated in the three categories below.

Categories	Products
Reusable hygiene products and services for children	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Diapers;• Potty training pants made of washable and reusable fabric including pool diapers, flat diapers, diaper covers, washable inserts and liners as well as washable products for bedwetting;• Material for making a set of at least 20 diapers (maximum 15 m of absorbent or water-proof fabrics. May be accompanied by accessories such as elastics, thread, snaps, etc. Accessories alone cannot be reimbursed.);• Membership in a cloth diaper rental service for a minimum of 12 months;• Membership in a cloth diaper washing service for a minimum of 12 months;• Nursing pads.
Reusable feminine hygiene products	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Menstrual cups, washable absorbent panties, washable sanitary napkins and pantliners that are washable, reusable and designed for use by women;• Material for making a minimum of 5 sanitary napkins or washable pantliners (maximum 5 m of absorbent or waterproof fabrics. May be accompanied by accessories such as thread, press studs, etc. Accessories alone cannot be reimbursed).
Reusable incontinence protection products	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Diapers, sanitary protection and washable, reusable absorbent underwear as well as washable products for bedwetting at night;• Material for making a set of at least 10 diapers (maximum 15 m of absorbent or water-proof fabrics. May be accompanied by accessories such as elastics, thread, snaps, etc. Accessories alone cannot be reimbursed).

The reimbursement request form can be found on the website of the Municipality of Canton de Hatley.

DID YOU KNOW?

Add value to your fallen leaves

Dry dead leaves collected in the fall can be stored and used to line the bottom of the brown bin throughout the winter to prevent materials from sticking to the bottom of the bin. You can also use cardboard or newspaper for this purpose.

At the Town Hall

You can drop off the following items for recycling:

- Disposable masks
- Batteries
- Printer ink cartridges
- Cork stoppers
- Bottles and glass containers (remove lids and caps, please)

Sherbrooke Ecocenters

- Free access for residents of Canton de Hatley (proof of residence required)
- Wide range of materials accepted and valued
- Info: 819 821-5858 or consult the Waste management section of our website

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JUNE 7TH, 2021 COUNCIL MEETING

Transfer of immovable duty rates

Council adopted a by-law changing the rates on the imposition bracket that exceeds \$ 500,000, when the municipality collects a duty on the transfer of any immovable located in its territory.

- On that part of the basis of imposition that exceeds \$ 500,000 without exceeding \$ 750,000: 2%
- On that part of the basis of imposition that exceeds \$ 750,000 without exceeding \$ 1,000,000: 2.5%
- On that part of the basis of imposition base that exceeds \$ 1,000,000: 3%

The minimum rate provided for by law on the portion of the basis of any imposition bracket that exceeds \$ 264,000 is 1.5%.

Contract management regulations

The municipality adopted a by-law on contract management in accordance with Bill 67. The by-law aims to promote Quebec goods and services and suppliers, insurers and contractors who have an establishment in Quebec.

Looping of the aqueduct

In order to ensure the safety, stability and sustainability of the entire drinking water network, the municipality suggested to the Village of North Hatley the deployment of a joint investment strategy over 5 years. This strategy could include the completion of a network loop through Vaughan Road.

Rights of way for Estrie à cheval

The municipality granted rights of way on municipal land to horseback riders of the Estrie à cheval organization. The organization is responsible for maintaining the trails.

- Land constituting the continuation of Horsefall Road closed to traffic (lot 4 090 424)
- Land constituting the Eustis trail and the continuity of the Eustis road closed to traffic (lot 2 131 996)
- 352-acre municipal property crossed by the Massawippi River just south of the bike path and accessible via Kingdom Road (lot 4 029 985)
- Land constituting the Parc du Manège (lot 2 131 265)

Support for the North Hatley Library

The municipality donated \$ 500 to the North Hatley library for the year 2021.

Support for Meals on Wheels

The municipality donated \$ 500 to Lennoxville Community Aid and Meals on Wheels in Canton de Hatley for 2021.

Support for Bleu Massawippi

The municipality donated \$ 1,000 to support Bleu Massawippi's awareness activities.

JULY 5TH, 2021 COUNCIL MEETING

Horsefall Road Extension Request

Council denied a request to extend Horsefall Road beyond its current limit marked by the turnaround area

AUGUST 2ND, 2021 COUNCIL MEETING

Remuneration of election officials

Council adopted a by-law relating to the remuneration of staff in municipal elections. The by-law can be viewed on the municipality's website.

Access to public roads regulations

The by-law on access to public roads is amended to ensure a horizontal clearance of the culvert of 150 mm to 300 mm on the ground in relation to the lower part of the embankment.

MRC Development plan

The municipality is asking the MRC de Memphrémagog to modify the development plan project so that residential use is authorized in the trade in services zone located along highway 410 in the municipality of Canton de Hatley.

New intermunicipal agreement Landfill / Ecocentre / Composting platform

Council authorized the conclusion of a new agreement with twenty-one (21) other municipalities. The agreement concerns the operation of a technical landfill site and the management of residual materials and replaces the intermunicipal agreement concerning the operation of a regional sanitary landfill site for solid waste in the Coaticook region.

Reusable hygiene products policy

The municipality adopts a financial assistance policy to promote the use of various reusable hygiene products. The new policy looks to encourage the use of these products for both children and adults, with the aim of reducing material going to landfill.

RECREATION

YOUTH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE POLICY - SPORTS, CULTURAL AND SCIENTIFIC ELITE

- Young people (17 and under) may be eligible for a bursary under the Youth Financial Assistance Policy - Sporting, Cultural and Scientific Elite.
- The policy recognizes the participation of a young person in an event or competition that makes them a candidate who excels in a recognized discipline.
- Details on the cantondehatley.ca website

LEISURE POLICY - REIMBURSEMENT OF THE SURCHARGE

- The municipality now reimburses 100% of the surcharge paid for recreation registrations, up to a maximum of \$ 150 per child (17 and under) annually.
- All leisure, cultural and sports activities are eligible, except activities already offered in Canton de Hatley.
- All reimbursement requests must reach the municipality before December 31st.
- Details on the cantondehatley.ca website.



LIBRARY – SUBSCRIPTION REFUNDS

Library membership is eligible for a 100% refund under the recreation policy for youth (17 and under). In addition, the municipality refunds 50% of an adult's library membership, not to exceed \$ 100 per address.

2021 DAY CAMP – REFUND POLICY

The municipality reimburses its residents \$ 30 per child per week for any registration to the 2021 Canton de Hatley day camp. Reimbursement is made by check issued in September. Documents required: official receipt and proof of residence.

PUBLIC SECURITY

DID YOU KNOW?

It is not allowed to stop a road vehicle on a public road where the maximum speed allowed is 70 km/h or more, except in case of necessity or unless a signage authorizes it. - Highway Safety Code, article 384.



In the Canton de Hatley, the majority of rural or collector roads have a speed limit of 70 km/h. We can think of Albert Mines, Beaudette, Dunant, Hatley Center, Rodgers, Sherbrooke and University roads, as examples. Only local streets with a certain residential density have a speed limit of 50 km/h.

A BIT OF HISTORY

MINTON UNITED CHURCH IN THE HEART OF A VILLAGE

Also known as Minton, the heart of Hatley Township was called Maple Hill until 1896, when the township authorities made a request to open a post office there. Great disappointment, it was discovered that there was already a Maple Hill in the Lac Mégantic region. Minton will therefore be the name chosen for this crossroads.

At the turn of the century, at this crossroads, we find the neo-Gothic United Church of Canada built in 1894, an old school, shelters for horses, a creamery and a blacksmith's house that serves as a general store and post office. Other forges and a cheese and butter factory later marked Minton's heyday. From the 1950s, the population decreased, then the village died. Today the church is the only witness to the existence of this once thriving town, but it is only used about once a year and its cemetery has been moved to North Hatley.

Source: MRC Memphrémagog
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