



Word from the Mayor

News from your Municipality
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Agglomeration of Sainte-Agathe-des-Monts: what do your taxes cover?

In 2006, the Québec government created “agglomerations” thus allowing Ivry-sur-le-Lac to maintain its independence from Sainte-Agathe-des-Monts while ensuring that certain services continued to be managed by a central governmental entity created by the amalgamation of various municipalities.

An agglomeration is defined as a territory comprised of a number of municipalities linked together by a central organization. In our agglomeration, the city of Sainte-Agathe-des-Monts acts as the central municipality.

Citizens of Ivry-sur-le-Lac can attend public meetings, hosted by the municipal council of the agglomeration of Sainte-Agathe-des-Monts and held in the George-Vanier room, on the 2nd floor of the Sainte-Agathe-des-Monts City Hall located at 50 Saint-Joseph Street in Sainte-Agathe-des-Monts.

Below are the 2019 dates of the ordinary sessions of the agglomeration:

- May 14, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
- December 10, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
- December 13, 2019 at noon.

Ashes from your fireplace: (unfortunately) the perfect fertilizer for blue-green algae!

Some of you may have heard about the benefits of using ashes from your fireplace to fertilize your gardens.

It is true! As the ashes from your fireplace are rich in phosphorus, potassium and other trace elements, *le ministère de l'Agriculture, Pêcherie et Alimentation* recommends the use of ash as a soil fertilizer.



The link between blue-green algae or cyanobacteria and phosphorus

Cyanobacteria, or blue-green algae, are naturally present in our lakes. However, when water warms up and is too rich in nutrients, these organisms proliferate (water bloom) and can compromise the quality of bodies of water.

Why not use ashes as fertilizers in wetlands or other bodies of water

As ashes are high in phosphorus, a chemical element essential for plant growth, the excessive intake of phosphorus or phosphates in our bodies of water causes a significant increase in vegetation and consequently the proliferation of algae that ends up consuming all available resources, thereby asphyxiating pre-existing species.

Therefore, to avoid contaminating our lakes and wetlands and to eliminate the proliferation of algae, including blue-green algae or cyanobacteria, the government recommends a ban on the spreading of fertilizer on riparian strips. **We therefore ask that you not use ashes from your fireplace to fertilize land close to the shoreline.**

Cold ashes, after about 4 weeks, can be placed in the brown bins.

Surplus recycling materials: think of l'écocentre

We wish to remind **small business owners** that they can bring excess recycling material to *l'écocentre*. All that is required is proof of address.

However, it is important to remember that **this is only limited to items that would normally be found in the green recycling bins.** Specifically, you can bring paper, cardboard, packaging material as well as plastic, metal and glass containers.

Moreover, please note that cardboard as well as polystyrene (Styrofoam) and #6 plastics need to be separated from the other types of recycling materials.

Emergency planning: the Municipality needs to know the whereabouts of people with limited mobility on the territory



In accordance with article 194 of la *Loi sur la sécurité civile*, each municipality is required to have in place, by November 9th 2019, an emergency plan in the event of a real or imminent major incident, thereby increasing the municipality's autonomy while protecting citizens in the advent of such incidents. This also includes provisions set out in *le Règlement sur les procédures d'alerte et de mobilisation et les moyens de secours minimaux pour protéger la sécurité des personnes et des biens sur son territoire en cas de sinistre*

To this end, the Municipality of Ivry-sur-le-Lac, which was previously covered by the emergency measures plan of the City of Sainte-Agathe-des-Monts, must now adopt a plan of its own.

In preparation for the development of this plan, we need to know the names and coordinates of people with limited mobility or senior citizens who would need help in the event of an incident, as well as any limitations they may have. This would include, for example, the names of child care services that would need additional assistance during evacuation should this become necessary.

Unfortunately, unless we know the whereabouts of people who might need assistance, it is impossible for us to help anyone with limited mobility should there be an incident. So, please let us know by email at admin@ivry-sur-le-lac.qc.ca if you would like to be added to the list of people with reduced mobility.

Mischief and thefts of community mailboxes



Police officers of *la Sûreté du Québec* wish to warn the public about the harm done to community mailboxes.

In addition to these misdeeds, the suspect or suspects steal the mail that is inside these mailboxes. This means that some documents, containing personal information, may have been stolen.

When possible, instead of waiting for a check to arrive, current technology does allow for direct deposits or the transfer of monies directly into a person's bank account. *La Sûreté du Québec* also recommends that you send gifts to loved ones via transfer instead of putting cash into an envelope as these monies cannot be recovered should a theft of your mailbox occur.

La Sûreté du Québec also invites citizens who are victims of such thefts to report them to the police immediately. Just jot down any sensitive information obtained by the suspects that could be used to commit fraudulent acts. In addition, it may be necessary to advise the mail's sender so that, if necessary, this person can take appropriate steps.

Should you notice anyone displaying unusual behaviour, make a note of it: sex, approximate age, clothing colour and any other specific information such as tattoos, scars, clothing or jewelry. With respect to vehicles, start by writing down the licence plate number as well as the vehicle's make and colour.

La Sûreté du Québec invites the population to relay any relevant information regarding these thefts and mischief to *la Centrale de l'information criminelle de la Sûreté du Québec* at 1-800-659-4264.

Dog control

A little reminder that in accordance with article 24 of *le Règlement sur le contrôle des chiens*, a dog must be carried or kept on a leash not exceeding two (2) metres in length except when the dog is kept within the limits of the dwelling of its owner or any associated buildings.

Sport fishing – what can you keep?



According to le *ministère des Forêts, de la Faune et des Parcs*, Ivry-sur-le-Lac, which is located in zone 9, sport fishing is allowed as is the case elsewhere in Québec. However, it is important to remember the daily limits respecting number, size and weight of fish taken and kept. Below are the rules that apply to all bodies of water in the territory as well as other specific information as it relates to *Lac Manitou*.

Zone 9 rules			
Time frame	Species	Limits	Note
April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020	striped bass	Fishing prohibited	
April 26, 2019 to November 30, 2019	smelt	120	
	black crappie	30	
	perch	50	
	other species	no limit	
April 26, 2019 to September 15, 2019	char	10 in total	
	landlocked salmon	3	
	lake trout, splake and splake trout	2 in total	For Lac Manitou, see table below for additional exceptions.
	rainbow trout	10 in total	
	cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in total	
May 17, 2019 to November 30, 2019	pike	6 in total	
	yellow walleye and sauger	6 in total	You can keep yellow walleye from 37 to 53 centimetres inclusively Sauger: no limit as to length. Line fishing only.
June 14, 2019 to November 30, 2019	bass	6 in total	
	muskellunge	2	
June 15, 2019 to October 31, 2019	sturgeon	1 in total	
Additional exceptions - specific bodies of water			
lac Manitou			
(46°19'54" N., 74°12'57" O.)			
Time frame	Species	Limits	Note
April 26, 2019 to September 15, 2019	lake trout, splake and splake trout	0 to be kept	

Other subjects of interest

Should you have any other topics you would like us to address in a future *Word from the Mayor*, just let us know and it will be our pleasure to address them.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask. The municipal team is here for you!

Once again, I thank you for the confidence you have shown in me. It has been a real pleasure representing you.



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