



Word from the Mayor

News from your Municipality
February 2019

High Speed Internet – Excellent news!

Some of you may have noticed that Bell Canada is doing work in the municipality. We can now confirm that they are planning to install internet by cable on most of our territory which is great news. We have been informed, however, that the actual “go live” date for the new network is only expected to be in 2020 for most of the municipality.

We contacted them stressing the importance of making the network available sooner and we await their response. We are committed to keeping you informed of any correspondence we receive regarding this and hope to be able to give you some updated news soon!

Leisure activities and sports offered by the Agglomeration



Citizens often ask what activities are included as part of the taxes they pay to the Sainte-Agathe-des-Monts agglomeration. For your information, Ivry-sur-le-Lac citizens pay the reduced “resident fees” for the following activities:

- Figure skating;
- Free skating;
- Hockey;
- Swimming and swimming lessons; and
- Library membership.

Should you wish to participate in any of these activities and benefit from the resident rates, it is imperative to present proof of residency before doing so.

Case against the former Director General – Favorable Court Decision

On January 18th, the municipality received word that Judge Grignon of the “*Tribunal administratif du Travail (TAT) – Divisions des relations de travail*” handed down a favourable ruling in the municipality’s case against the former Director General. In her decision, the judge rejects Mr. Jean-Raymond Dufresne’s allegations and validates the actions of the municipality, and this, on all counts. The decision, which is public, is available on the TAT website. To find it, just use the following decision number: **CM-2017-2634**. The decision can be found on the web at the following link: <http://t.soquij.ca/Yk64N>

Needless to say, Mr. Jean-Claude Béliveau, President of the *Human Resources and Legal Services* committee, as well as all members of the municipal council, are extremely satisfied with the final outcome.

Snow Removal – please do not put your snow on the street

Given the high number of snowfalls experienced since the beginning of the winter, it is easy to understand that snow removal crews are working extremely hard to keep our roads clear. They have noticed, however, that many residents are placing snow on the public roads instead of finding space on their own properties.

We ask you, for the safety of all, not to dump your snow on municipal roads but instead to find space on your own properties to do so.

Land Registry reform (Land Registry renovation) explained

What is the Land Registry?

The Land Registry is the public registry of all property plans used as the basis for determining property taxes. Each property in the land registry has its own lot number indicating:

- Its geographical representation (the shape of a lot, its measurements and its surface area); and
- Its position relative to neighbouring lots.

The Land Registry is useful:

- For municipalities who use it to determine property values as well as the application of certain bylaws respecting town planning and development; and
- For public service institutions who refer to it to install their networks (gas, electricity, telephone, etc.)

Why renovate the Land Registry?

The Québec government is overhauling the land registry as the existing one (produced in 1860) had become incomplete and imprecise.



Previously, property owners were not obligated to register parts or sections of properties when they were sold off. That meant that about 850,000 properties have not yet been registered in the Land Registry. Moreover, 750,000 lots already registered also contained errors such as inexact or unclear information, thus affecting measures and surface areas indicated on the plan.

When owners wish to build, renovate or sell their properties or if they wish to conclude any other type of real estate transaction, this can result in significant additional costs. Further, this creates problems for municipalities, notaries and land surveyors mandated by citizens.

The goals of the reform are as follows:

- To find and correct any anomalies;
- To integrate, without any amendments, those lots that have been correctly represented;
- To specifically identify and represent those lots that have not yet been registered;
- To simplify the representation of fragmented parcels of land under one specific lot number; and
- To produce the new land registry plans in electronic format.

What role does the land surveyor play?

Land surveyors are the experts authorized to carry out the work to reform the land registry. Consequently, le *Ministère de l'Énergie et des Ressources naturelles* awarded contracts for the renovation of the land registry system throughout Québec. For Ivry-sur-le-Lac, the firm of *Rado, Corbeil et Gagné* has been mandated to renovate the land registry.

The process and important steps

To produce the renovated land registry plan, *Rado, Corbeil et Gagné* must undertake a variety of steps over the course of the next two years:

- In **July 2017**, a letter indicating the start of the program was sent to all citizens inviting them to submit to the land surveyors any copies of private documents relating to their properties (certificate of location, surveyors' plans or any technical description of the property);
- In **July 2019**, citizens will be invited to attend a meeting with the land surveyors. This will give citizens an opportunity to consult and comment on the new land registry plan on which the properties will be represented;
- In **September 2019**, the new plan will be released and citizens, if they wish, will be given an opportunity to request a revision;
- Following any request for revision, if needed, a request for amendment will be submitted confirming the changes that have been made.

We hope that this information has helped you better understand the process involved in the reform of the land registry.

Organic matter: We're Number 1!

A very big thanks and kudos to all of you! We are the champions in the *MRC des Laurentides*!

Since the arrival of the brown bins in July 2018 in Ivry-sur-le-Lac, the rate of diversion away from landfill sites has been 28% on average, which is no small feat! This means that 23.4 tons of a total of 84.5 tons of residual waste, were diverted from our landfill sites. You should all be really proud of this achievement!

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	Black bins	Brown bins	Brown and black bins	% diverted
Aug-18	13,210	5,880	19,090	31%
Sep-18	8,920	5,220	14,140	37%
Oct-18	9,960	4,190	14,150	30%
Nov-18	10,540	1,560	12,100	13%
Dec-18	6,700	1,080	7,780	14%
TOTAL	61,100	23,400	84,500	28%

The polystyrene project: a huge success!



The voluntary pilot project for the recycling of polystyrene has been a great success. The regional *MRC des Laurentides* Ecocentres recovered, between March 2017 and September 2018, more than 6.7 tons of polystyrene (#6 plastics, also known as Styrofoam), material that would otherwise have gone to landfill sites.

One ton of compacted polystyrene material represents 30 tons of untreated waste which would have gone into landfill sites and taken hundreds of years to decompose completely. Instead, thanks to the pilot project, in total, 201 tons of waste were diverted away from landfill sites, thereby directly resulting in increasing the life of the current site.

Following the success of the project, the *MRC des Laurentides* will continue to offer citizens a free polystyrene collection service at its Ecocentres in the region. Moreover, in an effort to improve the reach of the service, in 2019, the MRC will study the possibility of offering other collection points for the deposit of polystyrene throughout its territory.

Of course, we will keep you informed with any future developments and in the meantime, we invite you to visit the following website for any additional information: www.traindeviedurable.com.

Collection calendar and Information bulletin: available in English

We wish to remind you that the waste collection calendar and the information bulletin that you received by mail with your tax bill(s) are also available in English. Upon request, we can send these to you by e-mail. If you prefer a printed version, it is also available at City Hall.

Payment of your tax bills

The 2019 municipal tax bills were mailed at the end of January, but if you do not have access to your mail and wish to receive these by e-mail, just let us know and it will be our pleasure to send them to you.

We are taking advantage of this to remind you that the first payment for the 2019 tax year is due on March 3rd, 2019. It can be paid by cheque, through your financial institution or by internet transfer. We can also now accept payment via Interac debit at City Hall.

Yes, it is now possible to make any payments (boat stickers, taxes, etc.) via Interac debit at City Hall. We are proud of this new service!

Sûreté du Québec: Ivry-sur-le-Lac dedicated police contact



La Sûreté du Québec recently appointed a dedicated contact person for Ivry-sur-le-Lac. This is good news as it now means that we have direct contact with this person who also becomes in effect the person with whom we are able to discuss any subjects of interest to the community's residents. Since the announcement of her arrival, we have established a very close working relationship resulting in improved communications between the two organizations.

For any emergency, such as reporting a theft or any other inquiries of a criminal nature, you are invited to dial 911 or to call (819) 310-4141 to open a file with the police.

Should you wish to report recurring infractions or to report non-urgent issues you may have in your area, we ask you to complete the form entitled « *Requête d'un citoyen ou d'un intervenant municipal* ».

This form is used to express concerns about road safety (speeding, lack of respect for road signs), recreational tourism (for example: all terrain vehicles, snowmobiling, boating), an event or a social activity, or a municipal bylaw (nuisance, disobedience), etc.

To obtain a copy of this form or to complete it online and send it directly to *la Sûreté du Québec*, just visit the following website: <https://www.sq.gouv.qc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2017/10/SQ-3094.pdf>.

In Ivry-sur-le-Lac, your safety is important to us!

Training – Initiation to wildlife tracking: Saturday, February 16th 2019



Conservation Manitou has joined forces with *Éco-corridors laurentiens* to offer a course on an initiation to wildlife tracking as part of its program « *Faune sans frontière* ». This training is targeted toward anyone 10 years of age and older who wishes to identify tracks and marks left by mammals in a natural setting, to discover and learn more on the behaviour of fauna surrounding us.

The morning session will be spent in the classroom, where you will learn the basics of tracking and the characteristics of tracks and marks left by wildlife. The afternoon session will be spent outdoors hiking to find tracks in a natural environment on the property of *la Fondation écologique Barbara Richardson* which was acquired in 2018 jointly by *Nature Conservancy Canada* and *Conservation Manitou*.

For more information and to register for this training session, at a cost of \$50-\$60, please consult the website at: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/billets-formation-dinitiation-au-pistage-faunique-53826274837>.

Eco-advisors – summer employment offer

La Régie intermunicipale des Trois-Lacs is looking for eco-advisors, for the summer season, beginning on May 13th, 2019. Lucky candidates will be called upon to prepare, organize and carry out on-site visits as well as visual inspections in 9 Régie member municipalities, including Ivry-sur-le-Lac. The primary mandate consists in informing citizens and assisting them with the collection of organic waste, as well optimizing the sorting of other types of residual waste. In addition, they will draft reports following the on-site visits as well as a final report at the end of the employment period.



Should this summer employment opportunity be of interest to anyone you know, please feel free to share it. Please note that all candidacies must be submitted at the latest by March 8th, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.

For more information, please consult the employment offer at the following address: <https://ritl.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/Offre-emploi-Ecoconseillers-2019.pdf>.

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 there 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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