



Municipal Newsletter – July 2022

I want to know more about my municipality

Council Notes

With the advent of summer, we can once again enjoy the pleasures of our beautiful lakes, and we wish for you to do so, in safety and amongst loved ones.

This season's increased patrols of our Lake Manitou commenced as of June 24th. Please note that the patrollers are mandated to enforce compliance with skiing hours and speed limits on the lake. Please be respectful on the lake, whatever activity you are enjoying.

Council has been concerned with the speed of motorists on our roads, and in an effort to encourage respect for speed limits, we are introducing a series of measures on certain roads, including stop signs, speed bumps, and bollards. With the increased activity on our roads during the warmer weather, we ask that motorists slow down, and be watchful of our fellow citizens cycling, jogging and walking on our roads.

The reconstruction of parts of Lacasse, Montée Daoust and Chemin Constantineau will soon begin. We will advise you of the exact schedule of works in the coming weeks.

Council is looking at the issue of short term rentals in the municipality. At present, short term rentals, defined by a stay of less than 31 days, is not permitted. However, the municipality is about to undertake a process to pass a new, more complete, regulation regarding short stay rentals. The issue will be discussed during the forthcoming months.

Council is looking at ways in which to protect against the cutting of trees beyond what is permitted according to our by-laws. Recently, we have caught land clearing around new construction sites that were way beyond that which is permissible. We ask that citizens respect the natural forest cover that characterizes our beautiful landscapes.

Council is concerned by the impact of the number of sea and float planes flying in and out of Lake Manitou. They have been identified as the probable cause of myriophilous contamination on Laurentian lakes as they fly from one lake to the other without washing, and they can be a safety concern for our citizens. Council will investigate the options available to minimize their risk to our community.

A special thank you to our citizen Mrs. Joyce Arsenault, who gave her time to clean up the edges of some roads on the territory. Your dedication did not go unnoticed and we wanted to underline it.

Have a pleasant summer.

Reminder - Second Payment of Municipal Taxes

The Municipality wishes to remind you that the second municipal tax payment is due on Friday, July 15. Your payments must be received by the due dates to avoid late fees. In addition, the full balance of the account becomes due when a payment is not received by the due date. It is also important to consider that balances bear interest at a rate of 10% per year plus a 2% penalty on unpaid balances.



Fireworks

In general, the use of fireworks on the territory of the municipality is prohibited. In order to find your way around, we invite you to read tab 2.5 of the nuisance bylaw no. 2013-062.

2.5 FEU D'ARTIFICE

Le fait de faire usage ou de permettre de faire usage de pétard ou de feu d'artifice constitue une nuisance et est prohibée.

La municipalité peut autoriser l'utilisation de feux d'artifice aux conditions suivantes:

- a) La demande doit émaner d'un organisme public ou sans but lucratif;*
- b) Cette demande doit être faite par écrit un mois avant l'événement;*
- c) L'organisme faisant ladite demande doit établir un service de sécurité pour ledit événement;*
- d) Aucune obstruction d'un chemin public ne doit avoir lieu au cours de cet événement, de façon à ce que les véhicules routiers puissent circuler librement sur les rues ou chemins publics.*

16th ragweed pulling campaign!

In Quebec, about 1 in 8 people are allergic to ragweed. It is important to pull ragweed several times during the summer because, if the plant blooms, it produces pollen. This pollen causes allergic rhinitis and can trigger asthma attacks. It is 75% of pollen allergies that are caused by ragweed.

Global warming is to blame. There is an increase in pollen as well as in their allergenicity. With the wind, the pollen can be found nearly a kilometer away from its plane of origin. It is possible to reduce the proliferation of this weed: simply pull it out and prevent its regrowth. In addition, you can uproot the weed before its pollination period, which begins in late July, and cover the soil with inert materials such as mulch or wood chips. Alternatively, you can plant a competitive cover crop such as clover, grass, etc.

A small gesture that has a big impact!

L'HERBE À POUX

Ça s'arrache !



Juin Juillet Août

Début des allergies au pollen

Vous reconnaissez cette plante ?

Arrachez-la ou coupez-la deux fois par an, à la mi-juillet et à la mi-août et répétez ces actions chaque année.

Juin, juillet, août : fini l'herbe à poux !

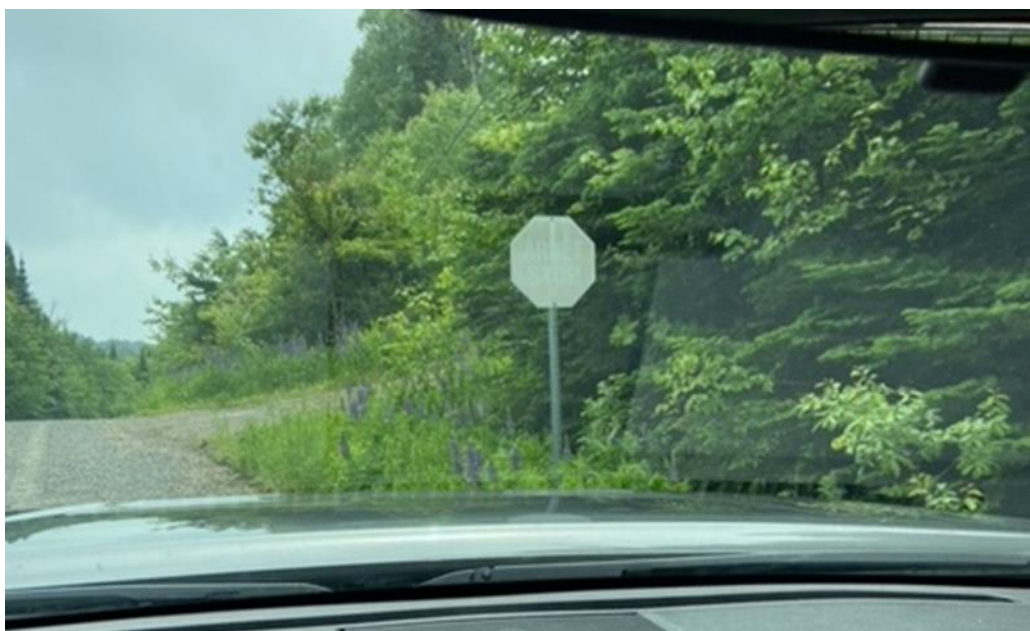
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Private Road

The maintenance of your private road is essential to ensure the safety of users. We have noticed that it is sometimes difficult, if not impossible, to visualize the signs when the team visit the territory. The municipality wishes to remind private road owners to proceed with the pruning of the road in order to ensure good visibility of the signs.



Signs must also be compliant, which means that they must be installed according to *Ministère du Transport* standards and be in good condition. Signs that are damaged must be replaced. If you need assistance in obtaining new signs, we invite you to contact Louise Brisebois at the following address: environnement@ivry-sur-le-lac.qc.ca



Large waste

Any material deposited on the street for the purpose of being collected by the waste collection service, but which is not on the list of accepted materials constitutes a nuisance and is prohibited. It is also prohibited to accumulate them on your property, which also constitutes a nuisance.

When you have large pieces of waste, it is essential to dispose of them safely. Local Ecocenter accept many large items. Do not hesitate to contact them if you have any questions.

<https://traindeviedurable.com/ecocentres/>

If you cannot dispose of them yourself, you should contact a contractor who can take care of them for you.

Visibility of the civic number

It is essential that the civic number of your property be clearly visible from the road. A few criteria must be respected in order to give a helping hand to firefighters, police officers or paramedics during an event that would require an intervention at your home. The civic number must be easily visible from the public road during the day and at night, with a lighting or reflective system. It must also be maintained during inclement weather and visible from both directions. If the residence is located more than 30 meters from the road, it is preferable to post the civic number at the edge of the road.

During an intervention, every second counts! This simple attention can reduce the response time.

You have guests?

If you have visitors who bring water-based recreational equipment such as tubes, skis, life jackets or fishing gear, please ensure that they are free of invasive plant parts. To do so, they must be pre-washed away from the lake (at least 30 metres from shore) with a pressure washer. Kayaks or non-motorized equipment must be washed (before launching) at the municipal washing station, in order to comply with the regulations in force. The primary objective is to preserve the quality of the aquatic environment.

Thank you for your full cooperation in achieving this important goal!

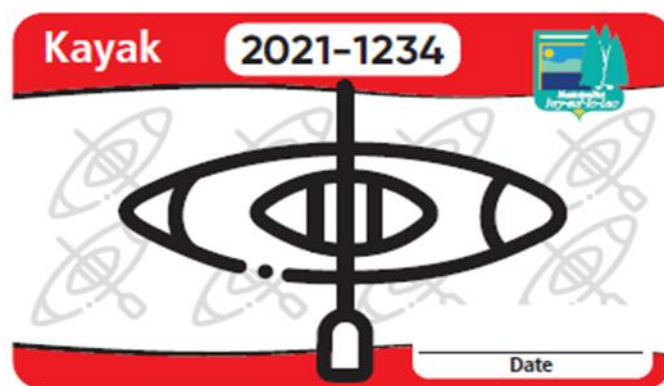


Table Forêt Laurentides

Your municipality, in collaboration with the Table Forêt Laurentides, will have at its disposal approximately 150 tree seedlings to give to its citizens. We offer the following species: bitternut hickory, red oak and white pine. When and where : Saturday July 16th between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. at the municipal garage located at 628 chemin de la Gare to pick up your seedlings. Please make sure you have a supporting document (tax bill, driver's license with Ivry address) that will be asked by the team of attendants.



MRC des Laurentides

The MRC des Laurentides is looking for a citizen to fill a position on its Agricultural Advisory Committee. This committee is a very important consultative body for the quality of the decisions of the council of mayors in matters of agricultural development, agricultural activities and related environmental issues.

Consult the details here: <https://mrclaurentides.qc.ca/appel-de-candidatures-citoyennes-cca/>

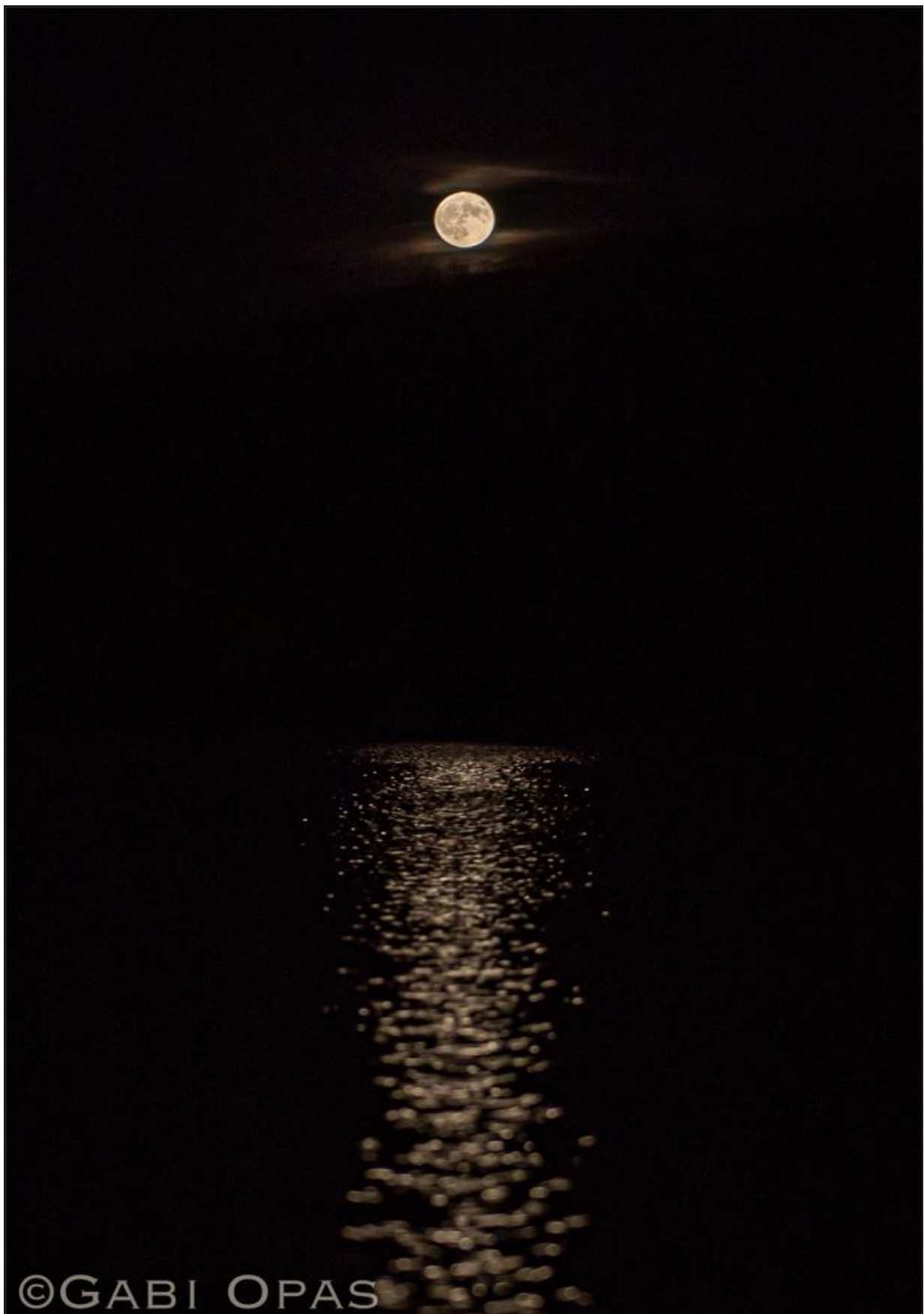
Nature and Wildlife

For this month's topic, I will be focusing on an issue that not only affects all the wildlife around us – but also our own well-being. I am referring to light pollution which is caused by the abundance of constant artificial lighting surrounding us after sunset. Not only does it increase energy consumption, but it also disrupts our circadian rhythm which negatively affects the environment and our health. For instance, many migratory birds are thrown off course by light pollution. It is also a leading cause in insect decline, which causes a detrimental chain reaction on the whole ecosystem. You may have noticed that you get better sleep in the country than in the city because artificial light suppresses melatonin which in turn affects our sleeping patterns, which is also linked to other health risks like diabetes and cancer. Luckily there is a quick and easy solution to all these issues – turning off your lights! Here are a few tips to help reduce light pollution around your home:

1. Use lighting only when and where it is necessary – refrain from using decorative lights and turn off all your lights at night when not in use.
2. Install warm-colored LED lights.
3. Install motion detector lights and timers if safety is a concern.
4. Use covered bulbs that direct lights downwards.

If we all do our part and take these steps to eliminate light pollution, not only will our wildlife and our own health benefit from it – we will also have the pleasure of gazing into the endless starry sky at night!

If you are interested in reading more about the subject, you can take a look at this great article: <https://www.bbc.com/future/article/20210719-why-light-pollution-is-harming-our-wildlife>



Credit: Gabi Opas



Other Subjects of Interest

Should you have other topics you would like us to address in a future municipal Newsletter, just let us know and it will be our pleasure to address them.

I wish to highlight the contributions of **Councillor Gabi Opas** in addition to the efforts of Mylene Thibault for the preparation of the newsletter.

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

Once again, thank you for your trust; it is a real pleasure to represent you!



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