



MUNICIPALITY OF OTTER LAKE - 2017 NEWSLETTER



NEED A PERMIT? All new construction, demolition, renovations, septic systems, wells and subdivisions **REQUIRE** a permit. Please contact the Building Inspector at 819-453-7049.

DOG & CAT TAGS: Does your pet have a tag? Tags are available at the Municipal Office. Tags are required to identify your pet should they be picked up by our Animal Control Officer. **Cost is \$20 and must be purchased annually.**

Open Air fire dates (without a fire pit): November 15 to March 15 of each year with a **permit**. Permits can be obtained from the Inspector at the Municipal Office.

FIREWORKS: Did you know that fireworks are only permitted during certain holidays? Victoria Day long weekend (May), Quebec National day (June 24th), Canada Day (July 1), Civic Holiday weekend (August) and Labour Day weekend (Sept.). Call the Municipal Inspector for a copy of the by-law for more information.

OVERNIGHT PARKING: Did you know that you cannot park a vehicle overnight (Midnight to 6AM) during the winter period (15 Nov. to 15 Apr.) on any municipal road, according to Municipal By-law 2016-12-09 and SQ By-law 2011-01.

THE OTTER LAKE NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH
In place since December 2015. To check out the latest information you can find us on the Otter Lake Municipal web site (Community Life page) or on Facebook under Otter Lake Neighbourhood watch.

POTABLE WATER: No longer accessible at the Pump House. Now available outside at the Municipal Office, 15 Palmer Avenue.

Otter Lake Craft Centre: Non-profit, Handmade goods and used goods, 305 Martineau Street, for further details please contact Esther Dubeau at 819-453-7378 or 819-453-7352.

Municipal Office Hours:

Monday to Friday 8:30AM to 4:00PM

Monthly Public Meetings:

First Tuesday of every month at 7:00PM.

Dump Hours:

April to October: 8AM to 5PM Friday, Saturday and Monday, 9AM to 6PM on Sunday.

November to March: 8AM to 5PM Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

FREE large waste disposal days June 3rd & 4th, 2017.

R.A. Events

The RA encourages the community to support their efforts, without support from the community they will be unable to put on such great events. Our thanks to the committee members and all their volunteers!

Please see below for dates of future events:

April 15th 2017 Kids Easter Party

June 24th 2017 Summerfest

July 1st 2017 Canada Day celebrations

July 5th 2017 Mont Cascade trip

August 12th 2017 Ball Tournament

October 28th 2017 Kids Halloween Party

December 2nd 2017 Kids Xmas Party

For information or to volunteer please contact Shane Presley, RA President, at 819-453-2271.

Otter Lake Fire Department Annual Ice Fishing Derby, first weekend of February 2018.

2017 Budget Highlights

Revenue: \$2,191,748

Operating expenses: \$1,971,648

Surplus before reconciliation: \$220,100

Payment long term debt: (\$108,600)

Investing activities: (\$129,500)

Unappropriated accumulated surplus: \$18,000

Surplus/deficit fiscal purposes: \$0

Mill rate is .70, Water Infrastructure charge (waterzone) \$142, Water Infrastructure charge (population) \$8, Water distribution charge \$150, Waste disposal charge \$100.

Major changes to expenses:

Administration	4%
Urbanism	-13%
Transportation	-5%

Projected dates for road calcium application:

May and July (weather permitting)

POOLS: Did you know that a fence is required if you own a pool? Either surrounding your yard or pool, call the Building Inspector for more details.

EXTERIOR FINISHING: Did you know that all building exteriors are to be finished in the first year of construction? Request for compliance letters will be sent out again this year. Please contact the Building Inspector for more information.

Volunteer Appreciation party, April 22nd:

Organized by the Municipality, the RA Committee, the Golden Age Group and the Fire Department to honor our dedicated group of volunteers that help to enhance community life with ongoing events.

Entranceways / private roads must be clear of all branches, trees and limbs **12' wide and 12' high**, in order to allow emergency vehicles access to your property. (9-1-1 and Fire Services)

Library Hours: (located in St-Maries School)

Tuesday: 7:00PM to 8:30PM

Wednesday: 1:00PM to 4:30PM

Please note that the library has computers on site and wireless internet access is available.

Tax payments:

Due April 1, 2016. Payable in 3 installments if the amount exceeds \$300.00, **April 1, July 1 and September 1, 2017.** Our system accepts postdated checks should you wish to send in your 3 installments at once. Forms of payment accepted are: **cash, check and online payments with most major banks.**

Golden Age Events

The Golden Age Club continues to provide great entertainment for citizens aged 50+ in our municipality and neighboring municipalities. Whether it's cards on Tuesday nights or darts on Thursday nights. If you wish to become part of the Golden Age please contact Mrs. Janet Lafleur, President, at 819-453-2308. Our thanks to the Golden Age Committee for all their help and dedication to making it a success!

March 16th, 2017 Pot Luck Supper

May 9th, 2017 Pot Luck Supper

August 19, 2017 Steak Supper

September 23, 2017 Harvest Supper

October 31, 2017 Pot Luck Supper

December 16, 2017 Christmas Supper

February 17, 2018 Valentines Dance

Exercise program: Tuesday mornings at the RA Hall at 10AM, for further details contact Robin 819-453-2229.

PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION: WWW.OTTERLAKEQUEBEC.CA