### October 3, 2023

# CYBER MEMO

# THE NEWS

# Message from the Mayor

Dear taxpayers and citizens,

As many of you are aware, the Municipality received its latest revised evaluation role a few weeks ago. The calculation of the new evaluation is based on a formula provided by the government that takes into consideration many factors, including most importantly this time, local market value based on sale prices. As we all know, one of the effects of the pandemic was the skyrocketing increase in the value of homes in Wentworth and across the country. Result : Many homes were selling at several times the municipal evaluation.

Some residents have expressed concerns about the impact on the municipal tax bill for next year. Please rest assured that in planning next year's budget the municipal council will lower the tax rate in an attempt to stabilize the impact on every individual. However, since there is a wide variety of increases from property to property, some people will see larger or smaller adjustments as per the increase in their evaluation. We will do our best to make the impact as minimal as possible for everyone.

The municipal budget will be deposited in mid-December, and we invite you to attend the meeting for a full breakdown. Details of the date and time will be available via our regular communication outlets in the weeks to come.

Best regards, Your Mayor,

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# ENVIRONMENT





# The Township of Wentworth celebrated National Tree and Forest Week.

The preservation and protection of green spaces remains one of our priorities in Wentworth. To do this, the public works team planted trees near the town hall.

A variety of species has been selected, including some fruit trees:

- Dwarf Alberta spruce and white spruce
- Norway maple
- Caroline's Charm
- Fruit trees (apple, pear, plum, raspberry)
- Shore Vine
- Blueberry and rhubarb plants

In total, around thirty trees were added.

This project was realized with funds provided through the Programme d'infrastructures Municipalités amies des aînés (PRIMADA).

#### Let's take action







FAMILY AND SENIORS

POLICY



# **National Seniors' Day**

National Senior's Day took place on Sunday, October 1, 2023. Did you know that the Township of Wentworth is proud to be a Senior-Friendly Municipality? Created in 2016, the Family and Seniors Committee meets a few times a year to discuss issues and organize recurring and annual activities.

#### **Recurring Activities**

You'll be surprised to learn that the Committee oversees both yoga and Carpet Bowling. Year-round, yoga is offered 4 times a week to residents of the Township of Wentworth. Carpet bowling is offered once a week from September to April.

#### **Annual activities**

The Committee is involved in annual activities such as the Christmas tree lighting, which takes place the first Friday of December, as well as Wentworth Day in july. Since this year, the Committee has added to its calendar a day of distribution and exchange of books, games and puzzles in may.

#### A multifunctional park

Wentworth residents will soon have access to a multifunctional park thanks to the PRIMADA grant -Programme d'infrastructures Municipalités amies des aînés. This grant provides financial support to municipalities that have adopted a seniors' policy.

#### The Committee has hosted several events/activities in recent years.

We can think of lunchtime soup, cookie and packaging workshops, documentary screenings, CPR/AED training and much more. We also owe them a reading corner in the community hall, as well as the purchase of equipment for Carpet Bowling. Last but not least, the Committee initiated the partnership with Café Partage d'Argenteuil.

Thank you to the Family and Seniors Committee for all its great achievements!



Pierre Demers, Councillor Representative



Allan Page, Councillor Representative



Lois Finch



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**Christine Bennett** Kasprzyk

# OTHERS





## Fire Prevention Week



From October 8 to 14, Fire Prevention Week takes place. Did you know that almost 49% of fires that occur in homes are linked to distraction or human error? One way to reduce the risk of fire is to adopt safe behaviors.

#### Learn more



### Smoke Alarm Test Day

Thursday, September 28 was Smoke Alarm Test Day. A smoke alarm allows you to react quickly and save lives. Did you know that in the event of a fire, you have less than 3 minutes to evacuate your house?

Learn more

### **Temporary car shelters**

As of October 1, temporary car shelters are authorized on the territory of the Township of Wentworth.

A maximum of 2 temporary shelters per residence is permitted.



# OTHERS





# Hunting season has begun

For the safety of residents, the Municipality would like to inform you that hunting season has started in the region.

We ask for the collaboration of all our residents to respect our public safety regulations as well as those applied by other divisions of government. If you suspect violations of these laws, we invite you to report them to the competent authorities, namely the <u>SQ</u> (\*4141 ou 310-4141) and <u>SOS</u> <u>Poaching</u> (1 800 463-2191). In addition, <u>SOPFEU</u> asks hunters to maintain good forest fire prevention practices.

The Municipality is aware that access to nature is a priority for our residents. The Municipality is working in collaboration with the WILD Trust to establish a secure network of trails. This is an ongoing project that aims to make areas available to the public throughout the Municipality.

### **Update : Photo Contest**

Congratulations to Simon Gauthier for his Municipality Week photo submission.

The winner receives a Wentworth visor and a engraved water bottle.

The photo was taken at Lac Barrow.





# **IMPORTANT DATES**



## **Boat Wash Station Schedule**

Here is a reminder to inform you that the opening hours for the boat wash station (116, chemin Louisa) are :

- Saturday October 7th: From 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Sunday October 8th: From 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Monday October 9th (Thanksgiving): From 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Municipal Landing Keys : Keys must be returned to the exterior mailboxes available at the municipal office (175, chemin Louisa) or at the boat wash station (116, chemin Louisa).

#### The boat washing station will be closed from Tuesday October 10, 2023.

# Closure of the municipal office

Please note that the municipal office will be closed on Monday, October 9 due to Thanksgiving.

The team wishes you a wonderful day!



# Winter schedule ECCOCENTER

- From October 1 to April 30, garbage collection is carried out every two weeks.
- From October 7, the Good Neighbours Ecocenter will be open on Saturdays and Sundays from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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