



Your MUNICIPAL BULLETIN Wentworth - March 2016

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Message from the Mayor

Dear fellow citizens,

As I previously mentioned, the biggest project in the environmental field for the next five years is the new waste management plan (PGMR).

To start off, we can be proud of our collective performance. However, to achieve the goals of the new PGMR, each of us will have to make an effort.

Allow me to give you the objectives to achieve for the next five (5) years:

- 1- Reduce the quantity of residual waste to be eliminated to 700kg per occupant (we are at 756kg);
- 2- Recycle 70% of paper, cardboard, plastic, glass and residual metal;
- 3- Recycle 60% of organic waste;
- 4- Recycle 80% of concrete waste, bricks and asphalt;
- 5- Bring 70% of construction, renovation and demolition waste to a sorting center.

In the coming months, you will receive lots of information on this subject. In fact, the first year of the implementation plan is almost entirely devoted to information and education to citizens.

I am convinced that we can easily meet the challenge. Let's remember that the collective performance depends on the effort of each member of the community. Together, we can do it.

On another topic, your Municipal Council has adopted at the Council meeting held on February 1st, a new policy on the conditions, benefits and compensation for management personnel and permanent employees. Throughout the review process, your Municipal Council made sure that the desired changes were understood and accepted by everyone, including the staff. In fact, we did not impose a policy, we negotiated with all concerned parties. You will soon receive communications from the General Management on the application of certain policy changes. I am personally very proud of the results.

A big thank you to all our employees.

Cordially,
Your Mayor,

Marcel Harvey



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MUNICIPAL OFFICE

NEW OPENING HOURS



To better serve its citizens, the Municipal Office announces its new opening hours.

Since February 8th, the opening hours are from Monday thru Friday, **9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**



The next time change, which will mark the return to summer hours, will take place **during the night of March 12th to 13th at 2:00 a.m.** We will therefore have to advance the time →

Would you like to contact us ?

Several options are available:

By phone, email or in person

To improve our services to citizens, **our office is now open later !**

Monday thru Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



MUNICIPAL OFFICE

114 Louisa Road, Wentworth, Qc J8H 0C7

Phone : (450) 562-0701

Fax : (450) 562-0703

Email: info@wentworth.ca

Website: www.wentworth.ca



Municipal Office



Next holiday schedule



GOOD FRIDAY

March 25th

EASTER MONDAY

March 28th

NATIONAL PATRIOTS' DAY (Victoria Day)

May 23rd

Did you know that....

These services are offered at the Municipal office (min applicable fees)

Photocopy

- black/white
- colour
- 2 sided

Fax copy

- sending
- receiving
- long distance

 Commissioner of Oaths (free)



2015 Christmas baskets

The Municipality of the Township of Wentworth wishes to thank its citizens for their heartfelt generosity during the food collection last December.

Many well filled Christmas baskets were distributed.

A huge THANK YOU to all!



Message from the Tax Dept.



Municipal tax - Installment dates

You have recently received your Municipal tax bill.

We remind you that if the total amount of your property tax account exceeds \$ 300.00, you may either pay in one (1) single payment or you may pay in three (3) installments without interest if the installment dates on the tax bill are met.

Add these dates to your calendar

1st installment: **March 4th**

2nd installment: **July 7th**

3rd installment: **Sept 8th**

Online payment service

Since the Cadastral Reform carried out in 2013, every roll number of the entire sector of the Township of Wentworth has been changed. For those who use online payment service to pay their municipal tax bill, please ensure with your bank that the correct number is used.

We also remind you to **foresee a 2-3 day delay** from the day of payment and the actual day of receipt by the Municipality, in order to avoid any interest.



IMPORTANT

Payment in three (3) installments without interest is a privilege. A late payment of any installment will revoke this privilege.

The entire balance becomes immediately due and interest is calculated from that date on the entire amount owed until full settlement is completed.

Your Municipal Council

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND YOUR MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ONCE A MONTH

Monday March 7th	Monday August 1st
Monday April 4th	Tuesday September 6th
Monday May 2nd	Monday October 3rd
Monday June 6th	Monday November 7th
Monday July 4th	Monday December 5th



At 7:00 p.m. at the Wentworth Community Center
86 Louisa Road

Would you like to communicate with your Municipal Council ?

Mayor	Marcel Harvey	mharvey@wentworth.ca t. 450-512-7119 // 450-562-0701 x.2924
Seat #1	Jean-Guy Dubé	jpgdube@wentworth.ca t. 450-566-5840 // 450-562-0701 x.2930
Seat #2	Sean Noonan	snoonan@wentworth.ca t. 450-533-5483 // 450-562-0701 x.2931
Seat #3	Normand Champoux	nchampoux@wentworth.ca t. 450-562-0701 x.2932
Seat #4	Lorraine Lyng Fraser	lfraser@wentworth.ca t. 450-562-0701 x.2933
Seat #5	Jay Brothers	jbrothers@wentworth.ca t. 450-562-0701 x.2934
Seat #6	Deborah Wight-Anderson	danderson@wentworth.ca t. 450-533-5244 // 450-562-0701 x.2935



Message from the Fire Dept.

For **any emergency, call 9-1-1** or for more information or questions about fire safety, please contact your Fire Department at (450) 562-0701 ext. 2929

PREVENTION VISITS



The Fire Department will be starting its Prevention visits in mid-March. The aim of these prevention visits is to promote citizens awareness to fire hazards and smoke detectors functionality in every home. Firefighters will also be collecting information and verifying aspects linked to fire prevention in your home to ensure your family's safety. Hopefully this program will be a 2 year endeavor, and of course, followed with ongoing visits in the future.

OUR GOAL: prevent fires and ensure the safety of YOUR family. We hope to have your collaboration in welcoming firefighters into your home. See you soon !



Your Fire Chief,
Brian Morrison
(450) 562-0701
ext. 2929

COMING EVENT !

ADD THIS DATE TO YOUR CALENDAR !

The **FIRE DEPARTMENT** invites you to its **OPEN HOUSE BBQ** which will be held on **June 11th**. More details to come soon !



PREVENTION IN SPRING



Although the snow has dampened the depths of the soil, dead leaves, dry grass and brush can easily help a fire spread. In the spring, before new growth appears, a few hours of sun are enough to dry grass or any other surface fuel. This also makes the surrounding forest extremely vulnerable to fire. Several residents take advantage of this time of year to give their property a good cleaning. They burn dry grass, piles of branches or dead leaves. However, carelessness could make you lose control of your fire, set the forest ablaze, destroy your home, your cottage or that of your neighbour. The Société de protection des forêts contre le feu (SOPFEU) and your Fire Department therefore urges all citizens to be vigilant when going about their spring activities.

A MYTH

Contrary to popular belief, burning grass does not in any way promote new vegetation growth. Parts of the grass nutrients go up in smoke. As a result, the soil becomes impoverished and our environment polluted.

Message from Town Planning

REMINDER TEMPORARY GARAGES

We remind you that the deadline to remove your temporary garages «tempo» is May 15th!



HAVE A PROJECT IN MIND ?

BEFORE starting any construction or renovation, contact your municipal inspector to obtain all the information needed to complete your project and make an appointment if a permit is necessary.

Annick Valentine
avalentine@wentworth.ca
(450) 562-0701
ext. 2922



GARBAGE & RECYCLING COLLECTION

Due to the volume of garbage or recycling items, the contractor sometimes comes later in the day. In order to improve our garbage and recycling collection, we ask that you wait until the following day to advise us of a missed pickup either by phone at (450) 562-0701 (ext. 2922) or by email to info@wentworth.ca.



AND DO NOT FORGET to bring your bin back after collection day. If you are a weekend resident, please have a neighbour or someone else do it for you. Not only does this prevent accidents on the road but also helps keep thieves away during your absence.

BE A RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNER



 Whenever a dog is outside the limit of your property, it must

ALWAYS be leashed and kept under control.





THE GREEN BULLETIN



Recycling has a major environmental impact. It reduces the volume of waste, protects natural resources by saving raw materials and thus helps protect the environment.

THE TREND OF THE THREE « R's »

R educe

Modifying our consumer habits by avoiding buying and using disposable products, overpacked or in individual portions is the best way of reducing the source of our waste production!

R ecycle

Recycling is the selective collection of paper, cardboard, plastic, metal and glass offered by the municipality. By sorting our residual materials, we can recycle about 70% of our waste produced at home!

R euse

Another way to decrease the quantity of produced waste is to reuse objects as often as possible. To give objects that are still good or to repair a broken object are two excellent practices of reuse.

Other little things that have their importance, contributing greatly to protect the environment

- returning refundable bottles;
- using reusable bags;
- composting;
- saving water;
- print only if necessary;
- collecting rainwater for watering flowers & plants.
- grow a garden;



Spring cleaning has arrived!

Do not let yourself be invaded by the accumulated pile of objects that no longer serve you! It's time to start spring cleaning of the house, the garage, the shed or the cottage. However, if you're thinking of disposing your old furniture, curtains, clothing, etc., there are other alternatives than the garbage to dispose of these items. Is it still in excellent condition? « Pass it forward ! » Family, neighbours, friends or bring to Good Neighbours EcoCenter, located at 40 Sideline Road in Gore.

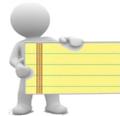
Even better ! Make donations to different charitable organizations of the MRC of Argenteuil:

- Centre d'entraide d'Argenteuil (450) 562-5151
- Comptoir d'entraide de Lachute (450) 562-9932
- The Carrefour des femmes (450) 562-7122



Nice way to share

SURVEY



With our December issue, we asked you to confirm whether you wish to continue receiving your Municipal Bulletin in paper format (mail) or if you rather receive it by email. Many of you have communicated their preference and we thank you.

For those who have not had the chance to confirm to us, you can.

KINDLY ADVISE US by email at info@wentworth.ca or call us at (450) 562-0701 ext.2928

TO :

- keep your name on our mailing list;
- subscribe to our distribution list;
- remove your name from these two (2) options as you prefer reading it on our website www.wentworth.ca under *Communication / Info Wentworth*.

Thank you for confirming



2016 Montreal Home Show

A FIRST !



By presenting its wooded charm to attract new residents, the municipality of the Township of Wentworth proudly participated in the 2016 Montreal Home Show held at the Olympic Stadium the weekend of February 11th-14th.

A great experience had by all who attended!





THE BILLBOARD

A topic interests you and you would like to discuss it? Let us know your suggestions at info@wentworth.ca. We will gladly write on the subject in our future publications.

Thank you !

Township of Wentworth... 
Where country living is a reality !



Library Jean-Marc-Belzile
378 Principale street
Lachute (Quebec) J8H 1Y2
Information: (450) 562-4578

The Library Jean-Marc-Belzile announced its new opening hours, effective since February 1st:

Monday	closed
Tuesday	10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Wednesday & Thursday	10:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Friday	10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday	10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.



The outdoor book return is open 24hours a day, 7 days a week

Défi Santé - goal 30



On your marks! Ready? Walk!

Did you know that walking is the most popular physical activity in Quebec? No wonder: it is an activity suitable for all ages, with little risk of injury, which costs nothing and is practiced everywhere in the city and in the country. In addition, you can walk in all seasons, alone or in good company, and without special equipment. As a bonus, it's great for the heart, muscles and mind!

I am afraid to get hit by a car at night

Choose your route avoiding the roads that present significant hazards and make yourself seen! Wear bright clothing when possible and put reflective tape on your sleeves. Reflectors (as for a bicycle), a flashlight or a headlamp can also make you more visible.

It's icy!

Wear slip-resistant boots and use a ski or walking pole as a support if necessary. There are also small-studded soles or coils that adjust to most winter boots.

No rest for walkers

Walking is ideal to reach the goal of 30 minutes of physical activity per day. And this is true even in winter !

Enjoy walking in our great Township !



To read more chronicles (french only) : www.defisante.ca



MADA - Municipalité Amie Des Aînés

Municipal Family Policy

During the last year, the municipal councillor responsible for the project for seniors (RPS), Mrs. Lorraine Lyng Fraser, is working with the support team of the municipality, in collaboration with Mrs. Lucie Lafleur, project manager of the MRC, to establish a policy for seniors and set up an action plan. This policy aims to facilitate social inclusion of seniors and to establish a structure to offer more services and activities within the municipality. It is during an official launch that this Family Policy will be proudly presented. All details of this launch will soon be announced.

The **MADA** team



Argenteuil Coup de Pouce Solidarity Co-op

Our Services :

- light housework
- heavy housework
- grocery shopping & errands
- preparation of meals
- indoor and outdoor tasks

For more info: (450) 562-9993

info@coopcpa.ca

www.coopcpa.ca



Did you know there is a grant for seniors to offset a municipal tax increase?

The aim of the grant is to offset a municipal tax increase by partially compensating seniors whom received an increase in their municipal taxes due to a significantly higher value of their property. You can apply for the 2016 grant in your 2015 income tax return if you meet all of the conditions.

For more details, please contact Customer Service at *Revenu Québec* (toll free 1-800-267-6299) or go to their website at www.revenuquebec.ca

ACTIVITIES AT WENTWORTH COMMUNITY CENTER



Thought of the day...



- Your mind is a garden and your thoughts are the seed!

BOOK EXCHANGE OPEN TO ALL !

Feel free to take a book, exchange or bring some to share !

To access the book corner, please contact us at (450) 562-0701 to make arrangements



BOARD GAMES

Do you have some board games in excellent condition such as Monopoly, Backgammon, Chess, Scrabble, Checkers or Domino ? Let's share or exchange !



SPRING SESSION - PILATES CLASS
Cost for 10 classes : \$50 resident - \$75 non-resident
 (at the Wentworth Community Center at 86 Louisa Road)

Monday at 10:00 a.m.
 Starting April 11th
 until June 13th, 2016

A minimum of 10 participants is required per class and fees must be paid before Friday April 1st at the Municipal Office (114 Louisa Road)



Friday at 10:00 a.m.
 Starting April 15th
 until June 17th, 2016

Information & inscription :
 June Parker
 tel. (450) 562-8664 ou bigred2171@bell.net



COMING SOON EVENTS AT THE WRC...

Add these dates to your calendar!

Watch for further details.....

Saturday, March 12th : Family Day at the skating rink

Come skate with your neighbors and have a nice hot chocolate (free)
 (1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. / Skating rink at 84 Louisa Road)



Saturday May 28th : Photo-Rally & dinner

(start planning your team of 4 !)



Planning a party ?

A meeting?

You can rent the Community Center by contacting Mrs. Lois Armitage at (450) 562-0701 ext.2923



BRIDGE

Every Thursday
 7:30 p.m.



Contact Debbie Anderson
 T. (450) 533-5244



ST.AIDAN'S
 Anglican church
 86 Louisa Road

Services are held on
 the 3rd Sunday of each
 month at 11:00 a.m.



**PROTECTION OF THE
 MOTHER OF GOD
 MONASTERY**

Romanian Orthodox
 Archdiocese
 168 Louisa Road

Divine Liturgy
 Every Sunday
 10:30 a.m.

