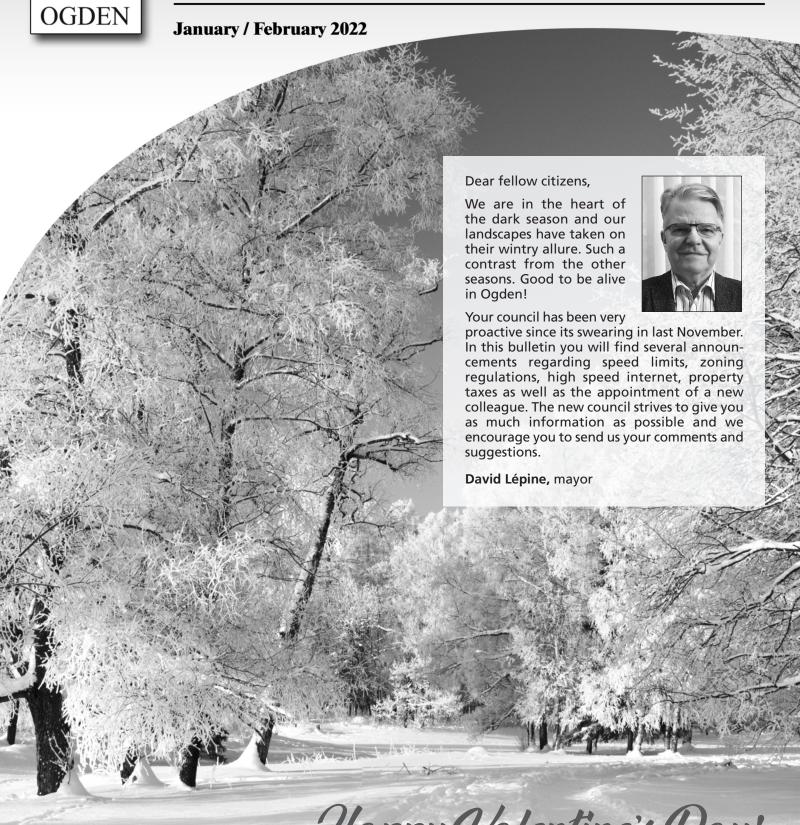


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Happy Valentine's Day!

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MUNICIPAL INFOS



Speed Limits: We have received numerous comments, often contradictory, on the Roads Committee recommendations. It seems everyone has an opinion often without justifying it. That is why we have consulted our civic authorities in order to get their advice on the matter (Sûreté du Québec, Ministry of Transport etc.) They have essentially confirmed the Committee's recommendation with one minor exception.

At the next Council meeting to be held on February 7, we will be recommending a return to the former speed limits everywhere except on the Cedarville road between the Apple Grove Cemetery and the Arnold road, as well as on Arnold road in its entirety, where the limits will remain at 50 km/h.

Zoning Regulations: There will be public consultations on the new regulations increasing minimal lot sizes and requiring that 10 % of the area to be subdivided be given over to the municipality for the creation of parks. It is noteworthy that Ogden is the only municipality among the 17 in the Memphremagog MRC to not have this kind of zoning regulation. We encourage you to consult the new regulations which are posted on our website (www.munogden.ca) and to send us your comments.

High Speed Internet: It is coming to Ogden soon. Technicians are currently

installing the distribution network in our neighbourhood. An interactive map will be available this spring where you will be able to pre-register for the service. The service will be available to all residences accessible year round. About a month before residences are to be connected, a representative of the supplier (Cogeco or Vidéotron)

will contact you to offer their services. Once you have accepted their offer, a technician will connect you to the network and install the modem. Please note the agreement with the Quebec government (which financed a large part of the network) stipulates that the rates charged to consumers must be similar to those available in large urban areas. Initially the speed will be 50 MBts but may be increased later on. The entire MRC will be connected by September 22 however we anticipate that Ogden will be completed much sooner. More updates to follow.

Property Taxes: The increase in taxes for 2022 has been limited to 1 %. This

has been made possible by an extraordinary surplus of \$250,000 generated by land transfer taxes. This situation is not expected to carry over into 2022 as the real-estate market has slowed considerably over the past few months. This tendency has been confirmed by the other municipalities in our MRC. We have set aside \$50,000 in an emergency fund to provide for climate related

events that could affect our municipality. We intend contributing annually.



Appointment: We are very pleased to announce the appointment of Ms. Caroline Fortier to the position of **Development Agent/Project Supervisor**. Ms. Fortier is an Ogden resident and will be responsible for the numerous projects involving subsidies that are available to the municipality but for which we have been unable to follow up due to our lack of resources. She will work from home the equivalent of three days a week. Ms. Fortier has many years of management experience and will be a valuable asset for the municipality.

FINDINGS FROM THE 2021 CENSUS ARE COMING SOON!

For over a century, Canadians have relied on census data to see how the country is changing on issues that matter to them. We all depend on key socio-economic trends and analysis based on census data to make informed decisions that affect our families, our neighbourhoods and our businesses. Statistics Canada strives to make census data and analyses user-friendly and accessible to all Canadians. For more information about data release topics and timelines, visit the 2021 Census dissemination planning web page.

Statistics Canada created a Community Supporter Toolkit that brings together web images, email templates, social media content, articles and newsletter content in one convenient location to help you share information about the upcoming data releases with your networks.

Find more information on census data on the Census of Population web page of the Statistics Canada website.

You'd like to communicate with your Municipal Council members? You can reach them at the following e-mail addresses:

Mayor David Lepine: Councillor Michael Sudlow: Councillor Michel Lesage: Councillor Gilbert Boileau: Councillor William Scott: Councillor Claudette Dupras: Councillor Eric Fafard: maire@munogden.ca mjsudlow@gmail.com mlesage@munogden.ca gboileau@munogden.ca wscott@munogden.ca cdupras@munogden.ca efafard@munogden.ca



CITIES AND MUNICIPALITIES AGAINST RADON CAMPAIGN

The basement is the main entry point for radon, a radioactive gas that is present all over the world and causes lung cancer. Find out how to reduce your exposure to this harmful gas.

https://poumonguebec.ca/en/events/

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FREE SKI TICKETS AT MOUNT ORFORD!

Once again this year, the Municipality of Ogden, as a member of the Memphremagog MRC, has a limited number of free lift tickets for the Mount Orford ski resort! One adult ticket per person, on a first come, first served basis. Please note quantities are limited and are reserved for Ogden residents only. If you wish to reserve a ticket, please send your full name and address in Ogden to info@munogden.ca.

Please note: Tickets are valid through April 30, 2022 Vaccine passports are required to access the chairlifts. Maximum 1 ticket per person.

Tickets will be given out upon presentation of identity as well as proof of residence.

CAFÉ ST-VALENTIN AND TRICOTÉ

Unfortunately due to Covid restrictions the Café St-Valentin will not take place and the start of the Tricoté activity will be delayed. The Ogden Culture and Leisure Committee looks forward to offering events and activities as soon as the restrictions are lifted.

JOB OFFERS FOR SUMMER STUDENTS

The municipality is looking for two students to fill the positions of Environmental Protection Workers for the summer of 2022. Interested students can send their resumes to the attention of Vickie Comeau at dg@munogden.ca before March 25, 2022. For more information, visit www.munogden.ca

DID YOU KNOW?

Ogden is celebrating its 90th anniversary. That's right! On January 12, 1932, the municipality of Ogden, named in honour of Issac Ogden, a valued citizen and early Loyalist, came into being.

WHY THE NAME OGDEN?

Issac Ogden (1739-1824) is as little known as the municipality that bears his name. Why was he chosen? To honour the memory of this loyalist lawyer who lost all his property following the victory of the American patriots against the British crown. He arrived in Canada in 1788 as a judge of the Court of Admiralty and was granted 25,000 acres of land on the shores of Lake Memphremagog, which he particularly appreciated. This land represented half of the township of Stanstead and corresponded to the current location of the municipality of Ogden..."

Source: A Brief History of Ogden



DOOR-TO-DOOR SALESMEN ARE CURRENTLY TARGETING YOUR AREA

WHAT TO DO IF EY CONTACT

(phone or door-to-door)

Don't accept an appointment

Don't sign anything right away

Refuse to sign under pressure

You already signed a contract?

You have 10 days to cancel the contract starting on the signing date even if the product has been installed or the service has been rendered.

After the 10 days deadline, it is more complex but there may still be something you can do.

To discuss your particular case, call the ACEF at 819 563-8144 (for more information, consultour flyer online at www.acefestrie.ca, sorry French only) or call the Office de la protection du consommateur (consumer protection agency) at

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Pristine island added to protected lands in the Eastern Townships

Molson Island, the largest pristine island on Lake Memphremagog, is now protected, thanks to a donation from a local cottager. Andrew Howick recently donated the undeveloped 26-hectare island (equivalent to 24 soccer fields) to the Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC). A businessman and family man, and passionate about the nature on his island, Howick has spent decades pursuing his goal to protect this jewel in Lake Memphremagog.

The largest undisturbed green jewel on Lake Memphremagog

Molson Island joins Île Longue as an NCC-protected area in Lake Memphremagog, adding to the 150 square kilometres already protected in the Northern Green Mountains region by NCC and its partners. Entirely forested, the island boasts a variety of habitats, from rocky areas to riparian zones, and even a forested bog with a bed of moss. These natural spaces offer significant habitat potential for plants that are threatened or vulnerable in Quebec and Canada as well as

rare orchid species. Among the plants observed here are Appalachian sedge, formerly on the list of species likely to be designated as threatened or vulnerable, and bulblet bladder fern, an indicator of limestone soil.

The Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC) is Canada's leading not-for-profit, private land conservation organization, working to protect our most important natural areas and the species they sustain. Since 1962, NCC and its partners have helped to protect 14 million hectares, coast to coast to coast, including 48,000 hectares in Quebec. To learn more, visit natureconservancy.ca.

The Projet de partenariat pour les milieux naturels (PPMN) is a four-year grant of more than \$53 million from the Ministère de l'Environnement et de la Lutte contre les changements climatiques to NCC. It provides support for voluntary conservation initiatives to ensure the protection of natural areas of interest by establishing financial partnerships with conservation organizations in the province. The PPMN thus aims to develop and consolidate Québec's network of protected areas located on private land. It follows the Ensemble pour la nature project, which ended on March 31, 2020, and had similar goals.

Learn more

To learn more about the **Government of Canada's Ecological Gifts Program**, visit the Ecological Gifts Program website at www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/services/environmental-funding/ecological-gifts-program.html

To learn how to contribute to NCC, visit <u>natureconservancy.ca/donate</u>.

PUBLIC NOTICE

By-law 2021.05 amending Zoning By-law 2000-03 in order to add clarifications to the provisions relating to the felling of trees for construction purposes and to amend the provisions relating to wetlands

Please be advised that at a regular meeting of Council held on November 15th 2021, the Municipality of Ogden has adopted By-law 2021.05 amending Zoning By-law 2000-03 in order to add clarifications to the provisions relating to the felling of trees for construction purposes and to amend the provisions relating to wetlands.

The purpose of Bylaw No. 2021.05 is to add clarifications to the provisions relating to the felling of trees for construction purposes in By-law 2000-03, section 51.1 as well as to modify the provisions relating to wetlands in By-law 2000-03, section 41.

By-law 2021.05 comes into force on January 6th, 2022.

Any interested person may consult the said bylaw at the office of the municipality located at 70 Ogden Road, in Ogden, during normal business hours.

Given at Ogden on February 2nd, 2022,

Vickie Comean

Vickie Comeau, Director General & Secretary-Treasurer



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