



# Ogden Chronicle

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**November / December 2021**

Dear fellow citizens

My very first official duty as the new mayor was to preside over the Council meeting on Nov 15th. First item on the agenda, a petition signed by 224 citizens demanding a return to the old speed limits that were lowered by the previous administration in October. Only 15 minutes prior to the meeting I was informed that all the road signs to the east of Griffin Rd. were vandalized (at least \$ 8,000 worth).

As your elected official I strongly condemn these criminal acts.

If only the guilty party(ies) had waited another 24 hours they would have realized that a legitimate petition was the only way to proceed. But no, they wanted to make their point by imposing a substantial cost on their fellow citizens.

The Road Committee analysed the provenance of the petitioners as well as the numerous comments and concluded that the speeding problem was mainly concentrated on Cedarville Road where traffic has increased substantially over the past few years. Best practices road systems are designed to feed most traffic on to the main arteries (Griffin and Marlinton) while keeping secondary feeder routes free of unnecessary obstacles. The Committee has recommended the following: A return to the previous limits except for:

- Cedarville Rd. (north end) from Marlinton to the entrance to Arnold Rd. at 50 KPH
- Arnold Rd. at 60KPH

David Lépine, mayor



*Happy Holidays to  
all of our fellow citizens!*

## TOWN HALL

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### MAYOR

David Lépine

### COUNCILLORS

Michael Sudlow

Councillor n° 1

Michel Lesage

Councillor n° 2

Gilbert Boileau

Councillor n° 3

William Scott

Councillor n° 4

Claudette Dupras

Councillor n° 5

Eric Fafard

Councillor n° 6

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## THE MUNICIPAL TEAM

Vickie Comeau

Director General and  
secretary-treasurer

Camille Gagnon-Tremblay

Building and environment  
inspector

Vincent Langlois

Road inspector

Ann-Marie Galvin

Administrative assistant

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## MUNICIPAL OFFICE

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## BUSINESS HOURS

The municipal office is open from  
Monday to Friday from 9 am to  
Noon and from 1 pm to 4 pm.

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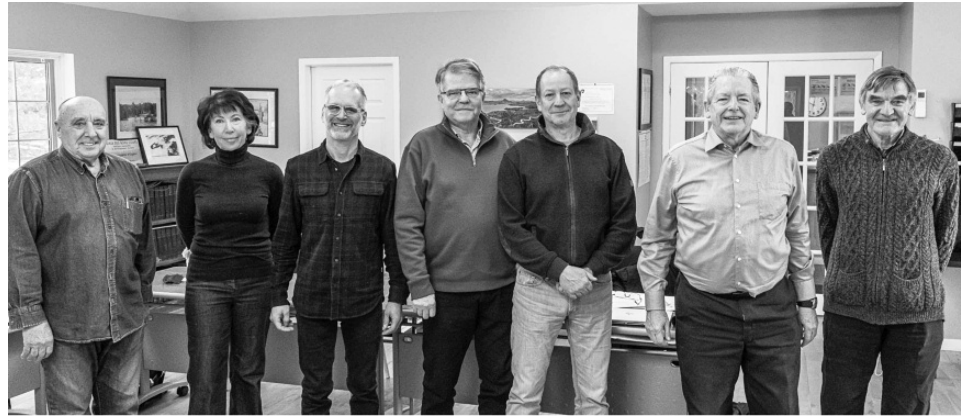
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## MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

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### WELCOME TO THE MUNICIPALITY OF OGDEN'S NEW MUNICIPAL COUNCIL!



From left to right: Mr. Michel Lepage (councillor no. 2), Ms. Claudette Dupras (councillor no. 5), Mr. Gilbert Boileau (councillor no. 3), Mr. David Lépine (mayor), Mr. Eric Fafard (councillor no. 6), Mr. William Scott (councillor no. 4) and Mr. Michael Sudlow (councillor no. 1).

### WHO ARE YOUR MEMBERS OF COUNCIL?

**Mr. David Lépine (mayor)** : Mr. Lépine has been in Ogden since 1965, having owned property since 1977 and as a permanent resident since 2020. He was instrumental in creating the Tomkin Creek Nature Reserve. His priorities will be citizen services (roads, garbage, snow clearing etc.), protection of our natural environment and systematic management of development. Transparency and communications with our citizens will be first and foremost in his actions.

**Mr. Michael Sudlow (councillor no. 1)** : Mr. Sudlow is a widely travelled veteran with 32 years in municipal politics. He is a retired educator with degrees in engineering, and 50 years of competitive distance running, which naturally leads him to seek more local public off-road recreational opportunities to support a healthy lifestyle, and to make environmental protection a priority.

**Mr. Michel Lesage (councillor no. 2)** : Mr. Lesage has lived in Ogden for 10 years. A civil engineer who graduated from l'école Polytechnique de l'Université de Montréal, he has, during his career, worked in various municipalities including Drummondville and Longueuil. Before running for the position of Councillor, he was a citizen member of the municipality's Land Use Advisory Committee (CCU). He wishes to put his experience to work for the citizens of Ogden.

**Mr. Gilbert Boileau (councillor no. 3)** : Mr. Boileau has worked in more than 15 cities in North America as an executive in public and private companies. With a proven track record in management and business process improvement as well as in mergers, acquisitions and start-ups, he has been a resident of Ogden for over 20 years and intends to use his vast experience to bring a healthy and respectful vision to the municipality of Ogden.

**Mr. William Scott (councillor no. 4)** : Mr. Scott intends to leverage his extensive experience in senior information technology political analysis, as well as volunteer and fundraising activities. His goal is to assist the mayor and fellow council members in improving Ogden's quality of life.

**Ms Claudette Dupras (councillor no. 5)** : Ms Dupras has over 25 years of experience in organizing international meetings and events for both multinational corporations and Canadian non-profit organizations. She taught at John Abbott College for eight years in the Logistics and Event Management program.

**Mr. Eric Fafard (councillor no. 6)** : Mr. Fafard has been a property owner for 25 years and permanent resident since 2021. He would like to work on transparency in the decision-making process, to make sure we maximise the use of every tax dollar and to enhance the services to our residents. As well, as the municipality is becoming extremely popular and is growing quickly, he feels that we must manage that growth with regards to, among other things but at the forefront, the environment and urban planning considerations. He loves this place and wants to protect it.



# VANDALISM

Vandalism in Ogden = a criminal act that is costly for ALL Ogden citizens!





## **Le père Noël vient à Fitch Bay**

**le dimanche 12 décembre à 16 h 00.**

Invitation aux résidents du **Canton de Stanstead et d'Ogden**

**Joignez-vous à nous le 12 décembre à partir de 15 h 30 au parc Thayer (à côté de l'hôtel de ville, 778 chemin Sheldon).**

**Le père Noël arrivera à 16 h 00. Fin de l'activité à 17 h 00.** Distribution des cadeaux aux enfants âgés de 0-12 ans inscrits **avant le mardi 7 décembre.**

## **Santa is coming to Fitch Bay**

**on Sunday, December 12th at 4 p.m.**

Invitation to residents of **Canton Stanstead and Ogden.**

**Come and join us on December 12th at 3:30 p.m. at Thayer Park (next to Town Hall, 778 Sheldon Road).**

**Santa will arrive at 4 p.m. End of the activity at 5 p.m.** Distribution of gifts to children 0-12 years old **registered before Tuesday, December 7.**



### **Pour inscrire un enfant :**

Téléphonez au Canton au **819-876-2948**  
OU à Ogden au **819-876-7117** OU envoyez  
un courriel à **info@cantonstanstead.ca**  
OU à **info@munogden.ca**;  
**Indiquez le prénom, le nom, l'âge**  
**et vos coordonnées.**

### **To register a child:**

Call Canton **819-876-2948**  
OR Ogden at **819-876-7117**  
OR email to **info@cantonstanstead.ca**  
OR **info@munogden.ca**;  
**Give the first name, last name, age,**  
**and your contact details.**

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## MISCELLANEOUS

### Land use advisory committee and Environment advisory committee for 2022-23

Are you a resident of Ogden who is interested in becoming a member of our Land use advisory committee or our Environment advisory committee? We are looking for people who would like to get involved. If you have any questions on what is entailed or if you would like to apply, please contact us at [info@munogden.ca](mailto:info@munogden.ca). Thank you!

### High Speed Internet in Ogden!

Cogeco Connexion and DERYtelecom have set up a validation tool to identify the addresses that will be impacted by the Operation High Speed project. Ogden citizens can go to this web page right now to confirm that their address is included. You can access the page via the Cogeco website at [www.cogeco.ca](http://www.cogeco.ca), DERYtelecom at [www.derytelecom.ca](http://www.derytelecom.ca) and Câble Axion at [www.axion.ca](http://www.axion.ca), or directly at this address: [www.cogeco.ca/fr/expansionreseau](http://www.cogeco.ca/fr/expansionreseau). When accessing the page, you must enter your civic address number and postal code to find out if the address is in the region targeted by the program.

### CALLING ALL OGDEN PHOTOGRAPHERS!

Send in your photo and have the chance to be featured on the Ogden website home page. This month's theme is "Winter Wonderland". The Ogden Culture and Leisure Committee will be selecting the winning photo and it will be showcased on the website for one month!



### Proposed zoning changes

Ogden and 16 other municipalities are part of the Memphremagog MRC. The MRC has just adopted a new Urban Plan (SADD) which is to be sanctioned by the Quebec government in order to come into effect. We will have to comply minimally with this new plan. This will entail a complete revision of Ogden's Urban Plan dated 1999. We will be soliciting our citizens' input in the completion of this review during 2022.

Since 2020 Ogden has seen a major increase in real estate activity which, if left unchecked, could well alter the rural and tranquil nature of our beautiful municipality. With that in mind the Council has decided to change the subdivision bylaw in order to better control this development. In certain more sensitive zones, the following changes will apply to new subdivisions:

- Minimum lot size will go from 8,000 sqm to 12,000 sqm
- All subdivisions will carry the obligation to cede 10 % of the property, or the equivalent, to the municipality for parks

These changes are included in the notice of motion of November 15th and will be incorporated into our bylaws soon.

### TRICOTÉ

Tricoté is well under way under the expert guidance of Josée Fauteux. The group is working on a beautiful knitted blanket that will be presented to a lucky Ogdenite this winter. If you are interested in learning how to knit, the classes are held Wednesday at 13h30. For more information, please call the town hall at 819-876-7117.

This activity is organized by the Ogden Culture and Leisure committee. Photo courtesy of Tom Montgomery.



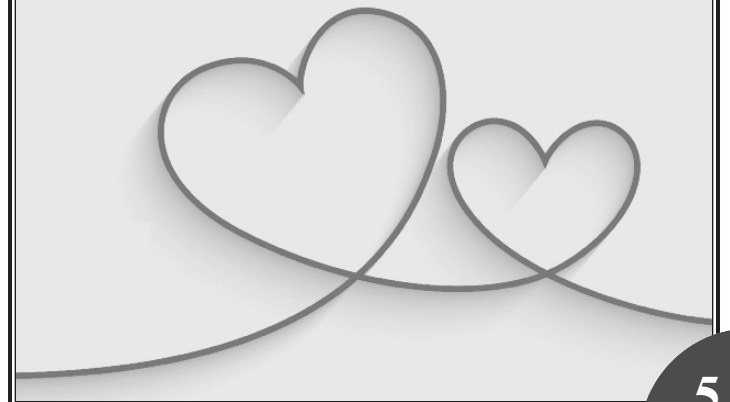
### ST-VALENTINE'S CAFÉ-RENCONTRE

The Ogden Culture and Leisure Committee invite you to an afternoon meet and chat with fellow Ogdenites. Participate in board games, bring your knitting or just come and relax among friends. Delicious chocolate desserts and refreshments will be served. Board games will be available or bring your own!

**DATE :** Tuesday, February 15th, 2022  
**HEURE :** 2:00pm - 4:00pm  
**LIEU :** Town Hall, 70 chemin Ogden  
**RESERVATION :** (819) 876-7117

*This activity is free  
for Ogden Citizens.*

*Did you know that a simple hug  
greatly reduces stress?*







## SAFE HOLIDAYS

The holiday season will soon be here and that means trees, garlands and lights as part of the decor, both inside and outside your home. Because we want you and your loved ones to spend quality time in a safe environment, here are a few fire prevention tips for this festive time of year.

### Christmas Tree Prevention:

It only takes 30 seconds for a tree to light on fire. It is thus very important to take the following precautions to avoid such a situation:

- If you are using a natural tree, it is preferable to choose a freshly-cut tree. The needles are green and do not fall off easily;
- Opt for an artificial tree;
- Slice off the bottom of the tree, even if you buy a pre-cut tree. The new cut will help the tree absorb humidity;
- Place the tree in a water recipient that is always kept full;
- Install the tree at least 1 metre from any heat source;
- Never decorate the tree with candles;
- Always shut off the lights when you leave your home.

### Decoration Prevention:

- Use lights that are CSA or ULC approved;
- Ensure lights are in good condition;
- Check manufacturer instructions when installing Christmas lights;
- Do not use decorations designed for indoor use outside;

- Use approved extension cords;
- Never place extension cords in a high-traffic area. Install the tree and other electric decorations near electrical outlets, so as to avoid using extension cords;
- Do not hide extension cords under carpets or area rugs;
- Do not pass extension cords in doorways. The cord's insulation could be damaged if the door is closed on it.
- Do not overload outlets or extension cords. Use a power bar instead.
- Only use one extension cord at a time. Do not plug extension cords end-to-end.

### Other Advice:

- Always keep walkways free, both indoors and outside;
- Identify the exits when you visit family, friends or reception halls. The main building entrance may not be accessible in the case of an emergency;
- Ensure that smoke detectors are functioning properly. Smoke detectors are the fastest and most efficient way to detect a fire and save lives;
- Know the location of fire extinguishers and ensure they are functional at all times. However, in the case of fire, never take risks. Call firefighters immediately.

*Best wishes for a Safe Christmas season filled with joy and happiness.*

A message from your Fire Safety Service.

**INFO:** [www.regieincendieest.ca/prevention@regieincendieest.com](http://www.regieincendieest.ca/prevention@regieincendieest.com)

# REVOLVING SALES

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COATICOOK : 177 Cutting St.  
[www.ressourceriedesfrontieres.com](http://www.ressourceriedesfrontieres.com)

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November 25 to December 1



**30%** on living room furniture

December 2 to 8



**30%** on kitchen furniture

December 9 to 15



**30%** on bedroom furniture

December 16 to 29



**30%** on books