MAYOR'S ADRESS

Spring is just around the corner, and your municipality is preparing for this year's work, which will be much busier than last year.

I must acknowledge the work of our DG, Pierre-Luc Nadeau, who has tended his resignation with plans of spending some unforgettable time with his family. The Municipality will always be grateful for his contribution in finances and fiscality, identifying and finding remedies for internal staff shortcomings and for his constant dedication to the well-being of our community. Pierre-Luc has prepared his departure with continuity in mind, our current DGA, Mr. Gabriel Therrien, who is recommended, will take Pierre-Luc's place. The council will



continue to receive all required to make its decision and we will continue to manage the treasury intelligently and respectfully.

The Maple Grove project is progressing well. Despite the challenges of working with a patrimonial building, compromises had to be made to ensure a result that met the expectations of both council and community, and that within the budget. Let's not forget that we were able to save this building when everything initially pointed to its demolition. The interior will be a window into the past, and the exterior, despite a few modifications, represents the building in its original architecture, with the side door replaced by a window, as it was in the past.

The Tamaracouta scout camp is back in the news; an e-mail from Scouts Canada clearly indicates their wish to sell the camp. The municipality is up to date with the situation, and when we have information that can be shared with you, it will be. It's important to remember that the camp is still in private hands, so Scouts Canada controls access to much of the information.

On the MRC side, I took part in a round table discussion with Premier Legault, our deputy Agnès Grondin and 14 mayors last week. It was a great experience, and the exchanges were frank, direct and well received by the Premier. The 14 mayors had the chance to put forward the irritants and shortcomings we're all experiencing, and the Primier seems to have taken on board many of the points raised... we'll wait and see...

Thank you Howard Sauvé, Mayor

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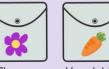




SEMAILLES D'ARGENTEUIL



Seeds sharing!







Flowers

Vegetables

Herbs

Fruits

Seeds offered free of charge by the Société d'Horticulture d'Argenteuil to the citizens of Mille-Isles.

AVAILABLE AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE DURIONG OPENING HOURS

LEISURE, CULTURE AND COMMUNITY SURVEY

We received over sixty responses to our recently published survey. Thank you for taking the time to share your vision and suggestions with us! Some major trends regarding needs and schedules emerged from this consultation, and we're working hard to design programming to better respond to the concerns mentioned.

New ideas are always welcomed!!

HERITAGE

THE FAMILIES BEHIND DE VOLPI-WALKER'S ECOLOGICAL GIFT

Discover the history of the De Volpi-Walker families through their passions, their journeys and their encounters. A truly memorable moment filled with history!

To all nature lovers Happy reading, Ginette Mayer



Scan and go directly to the page

You are invited to read this article on the municipality's website *mille-isles.ca/municipal-council/clp-heritage* under the heading "*Article*". A paper copy is also available on request from the municipal office.



ENVIRONMENT

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ECOCENTER GOOD NEIGHBOURS - NEW PROCEDURES

After studying the Ecocentre's attendance data, it was noted that some users are over visiting the Ecocentre (more than 20 times a year for some). We remind you that the Ecocentre is for individuals, not businesses. The municipal councils of member municipalities have decided to introduce a fee for 11 or more visits (annually). This affects less than 2% of users. Here are the rates in effect in 2024:

10 annual visits free 11 to 15 visits: \$10/visit 16 to 20 visits: \$100/visit More than 20 visits: \$200/visit

A visit management software program has now been installed at the ecocenter to manage entries and calculate individual visits. Please note that if a fee applies to your visit, you can pay electronically on site.

What items are accepted and what are not?

We invite you to consult the back of your residual materials collection calendar to find out which materials are accepted (or not) at the Ecocentre, or to read the flyer available on our *mille-isles.ca* website under the *Urban Planning and Environment* tab, *Residual Materials* tab.

MONARCH BUTTERFLIES AND OTHER POLLINATORS

The monarch butterfly is facing an extinction crisis. Not only are these butterflies magnificent creatures, but they also play a crucial role as pollinators, contributing to the reproduction of many plants, including some of our food crops. By implementing these measures in a concerted and committed manner, it is possible to restore and maintain monarch populations, thus helping to preserve biodiversity and the ecological balance.



By planting plant species that attract monarchs and other pollinators, you're taking concrete, positive action for our entire community! Get free milkweed seeds from the municipal office to plant directly in the ground, as soon as the snow melts, and be part of the solution!

Planting monarch host and nectariferous plant species can provide an essential food and breeding source for these butterflies.

Helping to save monarchs is much more than just a matter of preserving a species. It's an investment in the health of our environment, in our food security and in the education of future generations. By protecting monarchs and other pollinators, we are working towards a more sustainable and balanced future for everyone on our planet.

Courtesy of Elena Pavlova, beekeeper at Mille-Isles

PUBLIC WORK

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A NEW ADDITION TO OUR PUBLIC WORKS TEAM

We are delighted to welcome Mr. Adam Gombas to our Public Works Department as Foreman. With his solid experience in the field, civil engineering and construction, there's no doubt he'll be an asset to our municipality! Welcome to the team, Mr. Gombas!

BACKFILL SOIL

Are you planning work requiring backfill this summer? Backfill, a mixture of soil and rock, can be distributed free of charge to Mille-Isles residents who request it. A truck will deliver it, free of charge, to your property. Interested persons must complete a request for backfill/cut authorization certificate, an application for a certificate of authorization for backfill/excavation, available on the Municipality's website in the *Urban Planning and Environment section, Urban Planning tab, Permits and Certificates sub-tab*. For further information, please contact Isabelle Bouchard at ibouchard@mille-isles.ca or 450 438-2958, ext. 2613.

MUNICIPAL TAXES

The Municipality of Mille-Isles wishes to remind its citizens that the due date for the second instalment of municipal taxes is **Friday, April 26**. You can pay your account using one of the following payment methods:

- ➤ By telephone or electronic banking service;
- By post-dated cheque sent by mail;
- > By telephone with a credit card;
- > In person at the municipal office.

If you have any questions about your account, please contact Chrystine Slight by e-mail at cslight@mille-isles.ca or by phone at 450 438-2958, ext. 2600.

2024 CALENDAR OF REGULAR MEETINGS

➤ May 1st

➤ June 5

All signed minutes are posted on the municipality's website at www.mille-isles.ca

PUBLIC WORKS

(After-hours emergency number) **1 855 960-0699**

ECOCENTER GOOD NEIGHBOURS

Opening hours until May 19

Saturday and Sunday, 9:00 am to 4:30 pm

Address: 40, chemin Sideline, Gore (Québec), J0V 1K0 Telephone: 450 562-2025

