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AUGUST 3, 2024

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11:00 - 16:00

HAMMOND-RODGERS PARK

MUSIC, MINIGOLF, EDUCAZOO
INFLATABLE GAMES,
FOOD TRUCK, ARTISANS, INFORMATION
BOOTHES & OTHER SURPRISES!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

To ensure the success of this event, we need volunteers!
To get involved, contact Camille Dion
cdion@mille-isles.ca or 450 438-2958 ext. 2615.

ARTISTS AND CRAFTSPEOPLE

Spaces are provided during the event to exhibit
and promote your products.
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DRINKING WATER ANALYSIS DISCOUNT

H2Lab is once again offering discounts for drinking water analysis.

The procedure will take place online between July 29 and August 5 inclusively. Here's how to register:

1. Go to boutique.h2lab.ca/collections
2. Click on the "Drinking water analysis" collection
3. Select the analysis package of your choice (packages 1 to 7) and fill in the information
4. Select the "Recover" delivery method. Then select "Sainte-Agathe-des-Monts", in the "Collection centers" section, so that there are no delivery charges
5. To apply the discount, enter the code **MISLES2024** in the **Discount code box**, then complete your purchase This code is valid from July 29 to August 5 inclusively and gives a **40%** discount on selected packages
6. Identify your bottles with the 5-digit order code (starting with BXXXXX) available in the "Analysis request" e-mail you received. Also write the sampling date and customer name on the containers, before bringing in your samples.
7. Pick up containers during the Fête de Mille-Isles & Environment day or at the Town Hall reception desk (between July 29 and August 5 - working hours).
8. Take your sample on August 5 and return it to Town Hall between 9 a.m. and noon (1262 ch. de Mille-Isles).

MAYOR'S REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL SITUATION

July 2024 Edition

Public Report on the highlights of the financial report and the report of the external auditor

Under the provisions of Article 176.2.2. of the Quebec Municipal Code:

"The mayor, at a regular council meeting no later than in June, reports to the public on the highlights of the financial report, the Auditor General's report and the external auditor's report. This report is distributed in the territory of the municipality in accordance with the terms and conditions determined by the council."

2023 Financial Statements

The financial statement required of municipalities by the MAMH is very complex and provides a lot of information. This report is a summary of the main financial statements and its elements.

Audit obligation:

The external auditor must, among other things, audit the financial statements for the year for which he was appointed. In his report, the external auditor declares whether the financial statements faithfully represent the municipality's financial situation as of December 31st and declares the same for the results of the municipality's operations for the fiscal year ended on the same date (section 966.2 Municipal Code).

Prepared by the accounting firm Gariépy Bussière CPA Inc., the audited financial statements for the year 2023, tabled in June 2024, demonstrate that the value of the citizens' assets amounts to \$9,870,965 compared to \$9,689,916 in 2022. This includes our infrastructure such as the town hall, the fire hall, the roadworks garage, all municipal roads and buildings, vehicles, etc. as well as the reserved funds and surpluses.

Fiscal year 2023 ended with a fiscal year surplus of \$143,033, an increase of \$106,731 on the previous year. The balance of this surplus is explained by the allocation of \$130,000 of the accumulated surplus allocated in 2023 to balance the budget that in the end, was not required, and by sound management of municipal finances. Concretely, the surplus allowed the Municipality to limit the tax increase by balancing the 2024 budget, so that the accumulated surplus allocated and reserved for the 2024 budget stands at \$200,000. The reserved funds amount to \$501,214 and are made up of the available balances of closed loan by-laws in the amount of \$142,153, the working capital fund of \$311,384, the mandatory fund (since 2022) of \$13,626 in anticipation of an election or referendum and the infrastructure and municipal equipment funds of \$34,051. The long-term debt as of December 31, 2023, for the Municipality of Mille-Isles is \$3,130,356, of which \$1,105,450 is payable by the Government of Quebec and its organizations.

The independent auditor's report indicates that the financial statements give, in all their material aspects, a true picture of the financial situation of the Municipality of Mille-Isles as of December 31, 2023, as well as of the results of their operations, changes in net financial assets (of their net debt) and of their cash flows for the year then ended, in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

Remuneration of elected officials

Section 11 of the Act respecting the remuneration of elected municipal officers (L.R.Q., chapter T-11.001) provides that: "The treasurer or clerk-treasurer of a municipality whose by-law is in force shall include in the municipality's financial report a reference to the remuneration and expenses allowance that each member of the council receives from the municipality, an agency mandated by it or a supra-municipal body ...".

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Here is the 2023 remuneration for municipal council members:

<i>Fonction</i>	<i>Annual remuneration</i>	<i>Annual allowance</i>	<i>Yearly total</i>
Mayor	\$17,525	\$8,763	\$26,288
Mayor Deputy warden and Councillor at the MRC	\$13,064	\$6,532	\$19,596
Councillors	\$5,842	\$2,921	\$8,763

List of contracts

The mayor tables the list of all contracts involving an expenditure of more than \$2,000 concluded during the period from January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2023, with the same co-contractor when all of these contracts include a total expenditure that exceeds \$25,000. This list indicates, for each contract, the name of the counterparty, the amount of consideration and the purpose of the contract

Highlights of the Year 2023

In 2023, the Municipality of Mille-Isles obtained \$8,728 grant from the Government of Quebec and the Government of Canada under the Quebec Gas Tax and Contribution Program (TECQ). This recurring grant enabled the Municipality, in 2023, to replace a culvert on Benny Road.

In 2023 and 2024, the Municipality will have to complete all the investments in its five-year program under the TECQ 2019-2024 program, ensuring that it meets the minimum capital expenditure threshold of \$411,000. If we add this amount to the government contribution of \$1,257,539, we are talking about investments worth \$1,668,539 over the five years of the program, to be carried out from 2019 to 2024. To date, \$1,412,687 in eligible work has been carried out in the first five years. The balance of \$255,852 will be used to do paving and shoulder works on Montée du Pont-Bleu and other municipal roads.

As of December 31, 2023, there are eighteen (18) homes construction with a total estimated work value of \$6,805,000. There were applications for four (4) detached garages for an estimated value of \$320,000 and twenty-three (23) permits for the expansion and/or renovation of existing buildings for an estimated value of \$1,742,067. This data shows a significant increase over the previous years but a decrease compared to 2022, from a total estimated value of \$6,831,470 for 2020, \$8,205,468 for 2021, \$15,270,618 for 2022 and \$10,408,861 for 2023. It is important to note that the values reported for work generally differ from the value assigned by the appraiser when the work is completed.

The property value used for 2024 taxation is \$523,810,400 in assessed value compared to \$299,858,900 for 2023 taxation, an approximate increase of 75%. Of this assessed value, \$62,492,633 comes from the category of non-residential buildings (NRB). The NRB category is primarily composed of commercial properties, while the residual property category includes all other properties, including residential, vacant land and agricultural and forestry. A property may belong to both categories, depending on its activities. In the year 2020, Municipal Council made the decision to implement different tax rates for these two categories of buildings, as NRBs generally require more municipal services than residual buildings.

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For three years, from 2024 to 2026, the new three-year roll has generated a drastic increase in taxable values because the Municipality had not sustained a significant increase of its taxable values since 2018 as the previous three-year roll had previously been renewed. However, the situation has changed as the current three-year roll was balanced, and the Municipality now has a comparative factor of 1.00 compared to last year's 1.52, which means that the property assessment values in Mille-Isles are getting very close, on average, to their market value.

In closing, I invite the citizens of Mille-Isles who wish to know more about the Municipality's financial situation to consult the website under the "Documentation" tab and the "Budget and Report" sub-tab. The 2023 financial report, the list of contracts and the 2024 budget forecast are available there. These documents are also available for consultation at the municipal office.

Mayor Howard Sauvé

Original signed

July 3, 2024

Notice to readers: This report was presented at the regular council meeting of July 3, 2024

REMINDER

FOURTH MUNICIPAL TAX INSTALMENT

The Municipality of Mille-Isles wishes to remind its citizens that the due date for the fourth installment of municipal taxes is **Friday, August 21, 2024.**

FOREST FIRES



**Did you know that 80% of forest fires are caused
by human activity?**

AVOID AVOIDABLE FIRES

Cigarette butts 80 fires / year
Loss of control over waste burning 75 fires / year
Poorly extinguished campfires 60 fires / year

**Let's be vigilant and keep abreast of preventive measures
and restrictions in force**

List of current restrictions
Société de protection des forêts contre le feu
SOPFEU
<https://cartes.sopfeu.qc.ca/>



MAPLE GROVE OPEN HOUSE - AUGUST 3 (SAME DAY AS FÊTE DE MILLE-ISLES)

Initially proposed sketch



This project received a grant from the Programme de développement économique du Québec / Fonds canadien de revitalisation des communautés

After several months of renovation and restoration work on our former schoolhouse, you're invited to come and visit the site during the Maple Grove Open House to be held during the Fête de Mille-Isles and Environment day on Saturday, August 3.

Come and have a look at this unique heritage building, and take a moment to share your thoughts on its future vocation.

A box will be available for your comments and suggestions.

During the presentation of the sketch, here are some of the highlights from the consultation:

61 respondents

Vocation ideas included :
Library / Cultural venue ;

Museum, exhibition, intimate musical performance;
Community event and space for social gatherings.

PUBLIC WORKS

REHABILITATION AND TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES



Rehabilitation of Hammond Road

GOOD NEWS! Work to resurface Hammond Road is nearing completion, and the road will be reopened by the end of the month.

New mandatory stops

Two new mandatory stops have recently been installed on chemin Tamaracouta to reduce speeding and ensure the safety of road users.
Let's be vigilant towards all road users especially during the summer months.



BACKFILL

It is always possible to send us your request

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 parties must complete an application for a certificate of authorization for backfill/embankment, available on the [Mille-Isles.ca/EN](https://mille-isles.ca/en) website in the [Urban Planning and Environment](#) section, [Urban Planning](#) tab, [Permits and Certificates](#) sub-tab.

For information, please contact Isabelle Bouchard at ibouchard@mille-isles.ca or 450 438-2958, ext. 2613.



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HEBERTISM TRAIL



Did you know that a trail runs through the Parc Hammond-Rodgers forest?

A trail of 5 hebertism modules spread over a distance of about 1 km

to entertain young and old alike!

Dotted with accessible obstacles, the trail is the perfect outdoor activity for the whole family. Come

and take up the challenge on your next visit to the municipal park!

COMING IN SEPTEMBER



CALL TO YOUNG MILLE-ISLOIS.ES

Invitation to create a generation chair

What is a generation chair?

Prepared by children and placed in places of political power, the Chair reminds us that decisions taken today determine the world in which our children will live.

It acts as a beacon to help elected officials and decision-makers stay the course on issues linked to preserving biodiversity, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, preventing pollution and intergenerational environmental justice.

Would your elementary school-aged child like to take part?

Contact Catherine Bélanger at cbelanger@mille-isles.ca or 450 438-2958, ext. 2610

For more information <https://meresaufont.org/chaise-des-generations/>

NEWSLETTER - MESSAGES OF PUBLIC INTEREST
Sign up online by clicking on Newsletter in the top right-hand corner of mille-isles.ca/EN



Pottery & Ceramic Painting workshops

September 14 & 21

More details to come. Stay tuned!



LES TRÉSORS DU DÔME - THE ECOCENTER'S RECYCLING CENTER



With the aim of reducing the environmental footprint and providing people with low-cost items. To collect reusable objects and give them a second life for the benefit of the community. Collaborate with other community or governmental organizations by donating objects to the needy or disaster-stricken. Reinvest the revenues generated in the community through various social, economic or environmental projects.

Items accepted at the Dôme must be in good condition. No clothing is accepted at the Dome. No equipment associated with a safety standard and/or with an expiry date is accepted at the Dome. Items refused: helmets of any kind, car seats and benches for children. Construction boots, climbing equipment, diving and swimming floats and water safety jackets.

OPEN

Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - From Fête des Patriotes to Thanksgiving Day
40 Sideline road, Gore

ECOCENTRE LES BONS VOISINS - REMINDER

The ecocenter is the ideal place to dispose of residual materials in a way that promotes reusing, recycling and recovering. It's important to remember, however, that it's not the place to bring waste that can only go to landfill. To find out what is eligible (or not), we invite you to consult the back of your pick-up calendar or our website, mille-isles.ca/EN **Urban planning and environment**, under **environment, residual materials** tab.

Thank you for your cooperation!



COMMUNITY COMPOSTING

We would like to remind you that community composting containers are available throughout the municipality.

These containers are located at:

- Town Hall;
- the intersection of chemin Tamaracouta & chemin Black;
- the intersection of chemin de Mille-Isles & Côte Saint-Joseph;
- the intersection of chemin du Lac Hugues & route 329;
- the intersection of chemin Tamaracouta & Côte Saint-Gabriel;
- chemin Scraire entrance;
- chemin du Domaine park (NEW);
- chemin des Huards (NEW).



Here are three (3) simple rules about materials accepted in community containers:

- ✓ Can be eaten or is part of something that can be eaten (fruit, vegetables, bones, meat, fish, shellfish, etc.);
- ✓ Is made of paper or cardboard (soiled or for packaging, otherwise it goes to recycling);
- ✓ This is garden waste (branches and regular biodegradable plastic bags are not accepted in the containers. Only paper bags are allowed).

NEWSLETTER

Register online by clicking on Infolettre in the top right-hand corner of the screen: mille-isles.ca/EN



FACEBOOK PAGE

Visit, like and share the Facebook page: Municipalité de Mille-Isles

ENVIRONMENT

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DROP-OFF POINT - TOWN HALL

Did you know that Mille-Isles Town Hall is a drop-off site for **non-working pencils** and **dead batteries**? We invite you to drop yours off in the boxes provided on your next visit!

COMMUNITY

MEDAL FOR DOG



You've just moved to Mille-Isles. Have you considered getting a dog tag? It's mandatory throughout Mille-Isles.

To learn more about the by-law or to fill out the form, we invite you to visit the municipal website or contact Christine Slight by e-mail at cslight@mille-isles.ca or by telephone at 450 438-2958, ext. 2600.

The medal is free

FOOD ASSISTANCE



The Centre d'entraide d'Argenteuil helps people on low incomes obtain free food.

To obtain this service, contact H el ene Messier at 450 562-5151, ext. 101, to make an appointment.



Additionally, low-cost baskets of fruits and vegetables offered by Caf e Partage d'Argenteuil are distributed throughout the year in Mille-Isles. They are delivered to the town hall every other Thursday.

Three (3) different formats are offered: small at \$16, medium at \$20 and large at \$24. For more information or to register, contact Caf e Partage at 450 562-0987. The service is open to all, so don't hesitate to sign up.

MESURES ALTERNATIVES DES VALL ES DU NORD - CITIZEN MEDIATION



Mesures Alternatives des Vall es du Nord (MAVN) is an independent community organization that offers an alternative to undesirable situations of a conflictual or prejudicial nature that arise in a community. Is a conflict with a neighbor disrupting your quality of life? If so, this FREE service could be for you. We invite you to contact the independent community organization by telephone at 450 436-6749, ext. 104, or toll-free at 1 800 265-6749. You can also send an e-mail to info@mavn.ca or visit their website at mavn.ca.

PUBLIC WORKS

(emergency number outside business hours)
1 855 960-0699



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It's still possible to send us your text, as space is reserved for an open forum, allowing Mille-Isles residents to express their views on a subject of interest to them. To do so, please sent us your text to questions@mille-isles.ca