

# PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS

## MUNICIPALITY FRIENDLY TO SENIORS AND FAMILIES

**The process, which has already begun,  
continues this spring.**

The MADA and Family (Municipality Friendly to Seniors and Families) initiative allows the Municipality to better adapt its living environment to the needs of seniors and families. It aims to improve municipal services, infrastructures, and actions to foster an inclusive, safe, and vibrant environment for all.

Launched in the fall, this approach is based on listening to and involving residents. The discussions held so far have led to observations and avenues for reflection related to the realities of the community.

The Municipality is now entering an important phase: public consultations.

These will allow us to validate priorities and gather ideas from the population in order to develop a concrete action plan, in line with the needs expressed.

Participate in public meetings:

**Seniors' section:  
Monday, June 15 | 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.**

**Family section  
Friday, May 15 | 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.**

**Registration required**



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These meetings will allow us to validate priorities and identify concrete actions for our community.

Can't be present?

Complete the online questionnaire starting at the end of June (newsletter, [mille-isles.ca/en](http://mille-isles.ca/en) website and Facebook).

**Take part in the process and help shape  
future actions!**

**To reserve your place:  
Visit [mille-isles.ca](http://mille-isles.ca) (homepage), call  
450-438-2958, or scan the QR code  
directly.**

quick registration



# MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Hello everyone,

Several important issues will impact our municipality in the coming months. First, 2026 will mark the final year of the current property assessment roll. A new roll will then come into effect, which could lead to an increase in assessed values, although this will not automatically mean a corresponding increase in tax bills. Council will adjust the tax rate to minimize the impact.

We also want to modernize certain taxation tools, in particular by creating sectors for private roads and a separate category for tourist residences, in order to ensure greater fairness between taxpayers.

In addition, significant progress is planned in fire safety, with the acquisition of a new tanker truck and the start of the first steps towards submitting a request for financial assistance for the construction of a new fire station at 400, chemin de Mille-Isles.

Also, the council awarded a contract to Éco-corridors Laurentiens to develop the master plan for the protected lands around Lake Tamaracouta, in partnership with Nature Conservancy Canada. A master plan is a comprehensive framework: it will establish, for the coming years, a vision, directions, and actions to be implemented, and will integrate a management plan, emergency measures, communication plan, and other elements essential to the rigorous and consistent management of this site.

Our objective remains the same: to offer quality services, with a focus on fairness and sound management of public finances.

Thank you all,

Howard Sauvé, mayor



## NEXT COUNCIL MEETINGS

May 6

June 3

July 8

**All minutes are posted online on the Municipality's website at**

[www.mille-isles.ca/en](http://www.mille-isles.ca/en)

## ECOCENTRE - GOOD NEIGHBORS

### Opening Hours

Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

\* Added Wednesdays starting May 18th \*

**Address: 40 Sideline Road, Gore**

**Phone: 450-562-2025**

# LEISURE & COMMUNITY

## EASTER ACTIVITIES

### Easter egg hunt and craft

Friday April 3rd  
10 am to 11:30 a.m.

Strong Community Hall  
1262 Ch. Mille-Isles

Please register in advance  
Renée Lagacé

[renee.lagace@gmail.com](mailto:renee.lagace@gmail.com) -  
438-932-5183

Free Activity



## SEEDLINGS OF ARGENTEUIL

Back!



### Seeds sharing !



Flowers



Vegetables



Herbs



Fruits

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



Take up to 12 pouches per year. Register your selection.  
Bring back the seeds you've harvested.

AVAILABLE AT THE TOWN HALL DURING BUSINESS HOURS

## WELLNESS ACTIVITY

### QI GONG CLASSES

TAKE CARE OF YOUR BODY





REDUCES STRESS AND ANXIETY

5-SESSION COURSE – 60 MINUTES EACH  
THURSDAYS AT 5:30 PM  
FROM APRIL 2 TO APRIL 30 – \$50

Slow and flowing movements ♦ Mindful breathing ♦ Intention and meditation

Strong Hall  
1262 chemin de Mille-Isles

 [nchartrand@mille-isles.ca](mailto:nchartrand@mille-isles.ca)  
 450 438-2958 ext. 2616

## YOUTH

### French Babysitting course

Sunday May  
31st

9am to 5pm

Be 11 yo  
(or having completed 5th grade)

Community Hall  
1262, Mille-Isles rd

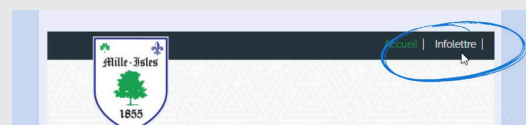
\$70

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## NEWSLETTER - PUBLIC INTEREST MESSAGES

Sign up online by clicking on Newsletter  
top right of the screen: [www.mille-isles.ca](http://www.mille-isles.ca)



## MAJOR SPORTING EVENT

**On July 3, Mille-Isles will have the immense honor of once again hosting one of the stages of the prestigious Tour de l'Avenir 2026.**

Considered one of the most prestigious cycling races in Canada for athletes aged 15 to 18, the Coupe de l'Avenir will bring together more than 180 cyclists from across the country.

On July 3rd, Mille-Isles will host the 3rd stage of the competition. The start and finish will be in front of the Maple Grove (1253 Mille-Isles Road).

Come and support the next generation of cyclists and experience the action up close!



**Rest assured that access to the residences will be maintained at all times.  
The maximum waiting time for traffic to resume  
when a race group passes is approximately 15 minutes.**

## ORGANIZATION PRESENT WITH US, FOR YOU



Are you going through a difficult time and need a helping hand?

The Argenteuil Community Support Centre helps low-income people obtain food for free.

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

### Tax clinic offered by the Centre d'entraide d'Argenteuil

- Service offered to low-income individuals
- With or without an appointment
- Limited places

Please note that registration will take place from February 23 to May 21, 2026 by appointment and from May 25 to June 18, 2026 without appointment (waiting may be possible).

From April 1, 2026, the organization cannot guarantee that the declarations will be produced before the deadline of April 30. It is therefore recommended to make an appointment as early as possible to avoid any delays.

## ORGANIZATION PRESENT WITH US, FOR YOU

### MAVN

#### (Alternative Measures for the Northern Valleys)

With the arrival of spring, everything comes back to life. The days get longer, spaces are shared more, and opportunities to connect multiply. It is often in these everyday moments that the best neighborly relationships are born, but also some communication challenges arise.

MAVN invites you to cultivate respectful exchanges with the citizens of your community. Remember, harmony is rooted in dialogue: a first step, an open conversation, a willingness to understand each other can make all the difference.

If you are experiencing a difficult situation with a neighbor, please note that the citizen mediation service is offered free of charge and in complete confidentiality. The mediators are there to support you and help you find lasting solutions tailored to your specific circumstances.



Feel free to contact the MAVN organization

**450-436-6749, then 104**

**info@mavn.ca www.mavn.ca**

## AN ORGANIZATION PRESENT IN OUR COMMUNITY... AND WHICH NEEDS YOU

**The Centre d'Action Bénévole is currently seeking new volunteers for all of its services.**

The Centre d'Action Bénévoles offers a variety of essential services to Mille-Isles residents with specific needs, including:

- Support & transport
- Meals on Wheels and frozen meals
- Support for caregivers
- Friendly visits and reassuring phone calls
- Volunteer services
- Services and resources for organizations

The maintenance and development of these services depend on the commitment of volunteers within the community.

Whether you are available for a few hours a month, occasionally, or more regularly, your contribution can make a real difference!

For information or to get involved:

Marie-Ève Lecours — 450 562-7447, ext. 225



# HERITAGE

## SUGAR TIME

Spring is slowly making its appearance. While temperatures fluctuate between freezing and thawing – ideal conditions for maple sap flow – impatience is setting in.

Already, with snowshoes on my feet, I've mapped out my route in anticipation of the right moment to hang the boilers. I'm looking forward to getting to the cabin early in the morning, lighting the wood-fired evaporator, and preparing my breakfast on the stove while the steam starts to escape from the roof.



Photo taken in 1922. Source: L. Pollock Collection, Mille-Isles Archives

In the afternoon, under a bright sun, a gentle melody can be heard: the sound of maple sap dripping into metal buckets. A simple yet significant pleasure. The beginning of a new season, of a warm and familial tradition. A source of pride, too, a strong connection to the land and to our history.

Who were our Mille-Islanders who walked from tree to tree, equipped with their buckets and wearing their snowshoes, to pour their harvest into a large wooden vat pulled by the horse?

According to our archives, a photograph taken in 1922 confirms the existence of this tradition. It shows Leonard Pollock and Harold Riddell unloading their harvest at their sugar shack, located near the current town hall. Duncan Dawson also owned a sugar shack on Mille-Isles Road. Melvin H. Ward and Lily Crest operated theirs on Cambria Road. There was also a sugar shack on the Ivall land—now the De Volpi-Groome ecological gift.

In 1958, a sugar shack was built by the scout camp north of Lake Tamaracouta. In 1962, Davy Morrow was in charge of boiling the maple sap. Then, at the end of the season, on a beautiful, mild, sunny day, Davy and Marvin Morrow, Lincoln and George Dawson, and Donald Maxwell shared the task of cleaning the 1,200 buckets. In 1980, this sugar shack was converted into a picnic shelter for the scouts.

Many of these buildings have not survived the test of time. Fortunately, some have found a new purpose: small stables, workshops, or sheds. Even in their disappearance, these cabins remain very much alive through the photos and stories that form part of our collective memory.

Happy spring to you all and happy maple syrup season!

Text by Ginette Mayer, a citizen of Mille-Isles, passionate about history and heritage

# PUBLIC WORKS

## OBTAINING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - LOCAL ROAD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (PAVL)

The Municipality has taken another step in improving its road network thanks to obtaining \$673,221 in financial assistance under the Local Road Assistance Program (PAVL), administered by the Ministry of Transport and Sustainable Mobility.

This support will make it possible to carry out the renovation of the Montée de l'Église, an important thoroughfare for the community. The work will help improve user safety and ensure the sustainability of this infrastructure for years to come.

The call for tenders for the works was published on March 23rd. The awarding of the contract is scheduled for the council meeting in May.

This financial support from the Quebec government allows the Municipality to continue its efforts to provide safe and high-quality road infrastructure.



Work is expected to begin soon.  
Follow their progress on our usual platforms.

Avec la participation financière de :



# ENVIRONMENT

## TREE FELLING

Before proceeding with a tree cutting, you must complete and sign an application for a tree felling authorization certificate (available on our website under the heading urban planning and environment/permits and certificates).

This request is free of charge!

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



Please note that the municipal office will be closed on  
**Friday, April 3, Monday, April 6,**  
**as well as Monday, May 18.**



**PUBLIC WORKS**  
(emergency number outside of business hours)  
**1 855 960-0699**



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

# FIRE SAFETY SERVICE

## Prevention is protection

Last fall, the Mille-Isles Fire Department conducted 299 residential visits throughout the territory. Nearly 300 doors were knocked on to ensure our homes are safe before a fire occurs.

During these inspections, 10% of residences did not have a working smoke detector. A stark reminder that vigilance remains essential.

Smoke and heat detectors are the first line of defense. They detect a fire in its early stages, trigger the alarm, and provide the minutes needed to evacuate safely. These minutes can save lives.

The preventative work carried out by our firefighters is constant, rigorous, and very real. It allows us to identify risks and make corrective measures before a tragedy occurs.

Testing your alarms every month and replacing the batteries every time the clocks go back: a simple step that makes all the difference.

Thank you to our firefighters for acting before the emergency. Safety is everyone's responsibility!

