

Here is a resume of the last council meeting held February 13th 2016.

- The Municipal Council has been informed of the passing away of Mr. Yvon Dion and held a minute of silence in his honour. After a long struggle with cancer, Mr. Dion died on February 12. He was Building Inspector and Infrastructure Supervisor for seventeen years with the town of Barkmere. It is a great loss for the community and we offer our deepest sympathies to his family.
- There was vandalism that occurred on Priest's road. Several houses, boats, etc. were targeted. Our surveillance camera did not catch the person in the act, but police are confident they will find the culprit. But without proof... Cost permitting, we are considering putting a better surveillance system in our new Town Hall.
- We launched the Public Tender for the construction of the Town Hall/Community center on January 19th. The opening of the envelopes will take place this Friday, February 19. We think that around 8 companies have tendered.
- We have hired the engineering firm *Groupe Laurence* to re-evaluate the hydric classification of our dam. The Town of Barkmere, and the Centre d'Expertise Hydrique du Québec believe that it is classified too high: presently it is a class 'B' (like Manic 3!) – the highest category after Manicouagan and Baie James dams. This brings about astronomical costs for its repair.
- Council has adopted a resolution to support the Coalition for Responsible and Sustainable Navigation. In collaboration with the Laurentian RMC, we want to change the navigation laws in Canada. The present Law is not adapted to today's environment and does not provide any local power. We want to have more say, at the municipal level, to regulate boating activities on our lake.
- We have given a contract for professional services to improve the town's website. We want to make it easier for users and more interactive.
- The new garbage containers have arrived! We believe that this will really help to keep the area cleaner. We still count on citizens to place their garbage inside the containers, and bring their bulk garbage and hazardous waste to the mobile eco-

centers and the construction materials to the Eco-center of Huberdeau. See the two pictures below:





With best regards,