

Echoes from Barkmere – June 2016

Here is a resume of the last council meeting held June 11th, 2016.

- Mayor Trépanier asked for a moment of silence after having learned of the passing of Mrs. Patricia Rivette, a resident from Duncan road, who died on March 31 at Pebble Beach, California, three weeks shy of her 86th birthday. We particularly address our condolences to her sons, Kevin and Brian Rivette. The Rivettes came to Bark Lake as guests of Pat and Fran Labrie in 1965. They fell in love with the lake and built a cottage in the early '70's, returning as often as possible to savor the peace and tranquility. There will be a memorial service at the Rivette's cottage to be held Labor Day Weekend. All are welcome. Details to follow later.
- We have received an official letter from the MAMROT confirming that we have obtained a grant from the TECQ (excise tax) for 219,142 \$ for the Municipal Building and 38,231 \$ to buy docks at the landing. The building is thus now subsidized at 95% by both governments Provincial and Federal.
- Mrs. Susan De Schulthess informs us that the BLPA journal will be published this week.
- The Municipal Building: dynamiting has finished, this week they are starting on the foundation.
- Reminder: do not forget that there will be a meeting on urbanism next Saturday June 18 at 10:00 AM. This is the occasion to express your mind. If you cannot attend, you can forward your suggestions by e-mail or by letter. Here are the three subjects that will be discussed:
 - a) grand-father clause (a subject that has created a lot of passion last fall)
 - b) Lighting (on docks, shoreline and cottages)
 - c) the size of the cottages, as promised. What type of cottage community do we want for the future of Bark Lake (year-round or seasonal cottages).
- Another reminder: there will be a **mobile eco center** next Saturday and Sunday, the 18th and 19th of June at the rental docks at the landing, from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

- Resolution passed to buy rental docks in Section D (east side). For historical reasons, section D of the Town was part rented and part owned by the Town. After we bought the new dock last month, it was advantageous financially to cancel the lease and buy the part rented from *Quais Laurentiens*. The total sum comes from the grant by the TECQ previously mentioned.
- FILAU (high speed internet): they are still looking for 2 appropriate locations to erect the two antennas and have started doing tests at a first site. The antennas will be 68 feet tall and should just clear the top of the trees and won't have any lighting. They should cover almost all the lake. Certain sites will not be covered. For people who do not have visual eye contact with the antenna, repeaters should ensure the relay. The connection will be of 5 megabytes/sec thus slower than in the big cities, but more rapid than now.
- And finally, a warning: Lyme's disease is now in the Laurentians. Ensure that you wear long pants when you walk in the forest and check feet and ankles at night. You have to remove the tick and make sure to take out the head. Here is an article that was published in *L'Information du Nord* that explains a little more (in French):
<http://www.linformationdunordmonttreblant.ca/actualites/2016/5/24/des-tiques-porteuses-detectees-dans-les-laurentides.html>

Once again, for more details, consult the minutes of the council meeting that will be on our website next month.