



Echoes from Barkmere – June 2018

Here is a summary of the last Council meeting held Saturday, June 9th 2018.

- Mayor Trépanier informs us that FILAU (high speed internet) has completed a few installations in Barkmere. The percentage covered by its grid is better than anticipated. A technician must go to your place to ensure you are situated within the grid network. This Not for profit organisation has sent us a contract form that you can download on the first page of the town's website at www.barkmere.ca

- The Association des Pêcheurs Sportifs du Québec has taken more legal actions against the municipality of Ivry-sur-le-Lac. This last winter, we had received a *demand letter* from the association regarding our bylaw 162. We had responded that we would revise our by-law 162 to conform to the federal laws and regulations.

- The Barkmere Committee on Leisure has started their yoga courses (9 participants). They wanted to clarify that the price of \$120 is good for 10 classes that can be carried over and does not expire after this initial 10 week session. After this initial 10 week session, you may continue with another 10 week deal or buy individual classes. The Committee asks if anybody has board games to donate. If so, please communicate with: communications@barkmere.ca . Also, **Saturday July 7th from 07:00 PM to 10:00 PM, the committee organises a night of board games.** All are invited. They will also have a suggestion box.

- Councillor Jake Chadwick confirmed that the programme to survey for milfoil and its removal is scheduled for the end of July, beginning of August (the prime period) with Anne Letourneau and her team. The team will concentrate their efforts in the critical zones of Silver Bay and its northern shore up to Cope Bay.

- Considering that Mr. Paul Thessereault, consultant, notified the municipal administration that he would not be able to continue to offer his services after June 9th 2018, the town of Barkmere has voted a resolution to retain the services of the firm **Urba+** to act as technician to the urban planning service and as designated officer under bylaw 204 regarding Permits and Certificates. They will be working at the Town Hall one day per week; the balance of time required to complete their work will be done from their offices. This is a temporary situation: we are looking for an inspector.

- The MRC des Laurentides has finalised its invitations to tender to buy domestic compost bins. It has found some at a very good price and we are also eligible to a grant from the ministry of Environment. The town voted a resolution to begin the process for all citizens to have a compost bins.

- Mr. Stephen Lloyd informs us that the public discussion held that morning on the bylaws concerning residential docks went very well. All seemed to agree to modify Barkmere's by-law in order to permit repairs on docks with cribs. The next step, table a first draft of the new by-law in order to modify the actual bylaw in the context of the discussions we had for public consultation. We hope that the MRC will approve the change.

- The town has approved an amount of \$3,046.53 to buy ecologically treated Yellow pine to complete the installation of the rental wharves of section A (left of the landing), and the construction of a platform and a sidewalk to connect the docks to the shore and provide a safe access. This amount is part of in the grant request within the Program of gas tax and Quebec contribution 2014-2018 (TECQ).

- The town has also bought wood and ropes to better delimit parking space at the landing. The funds will come from a grant. We were thinking of enlarging the parking, but after study, we have noticed that there is much space that is lost. We will therefore, on a first trial, put ropes and wooden posts to try to optimise space.

- The town asks the MRC des Laurentides to put forward its option to renew for a year the contract of residual waste and transportation to Services R.C. Miller.

- Councillor Marc Frédette reminds us that June 15th is the international day for the **Fight against abuse of the elderly**. For help, call 1-888-489-2287, or go to this link for more information:

<https://www.mfa.gouv.qc.ca/fr/publication/Documents/depliant-maltraitance-aines-A.pdf>

Once again, for more details, consult the minutes of the council meeting that will be posted on the town's website once they are ratified, generally at the next council meeting.

Picture taken during the Citizen's Forum of the village:

