



Echoes from Barkmere – September 2026

The following is a summary of what the mayor announced at the latest Town Council meeting, held on Saturday, September 12th, 2026:

Announcements

On Thursday, September 10, first responders and paramedics responded on the lake to assist a person who had suffered a heart attack. Unfortunately, Catherine Lynda Dugan (Kennedy) had already passed away when emergency services arrived. The deceased was the wife of Mr. James Dugan, a resident of the Narrows (“Le Rétrécie”). The Council observed a minute of silence in her memory and extended its deepest condolences to the Dugan family.

Right of pre-emption

The Town exercised its right of pre-emption in respect of the possible sale of the small parcel of land where the landing shelter is located and through which the access path to Docks “A” and “B” passes. This right merely enables the Town to purchase the land at the price offered, should it ever be put up for sale. The procedure must be renewed every ten years.

Draft by-law to remove certain permitted uses in the village

The Council adopted a first draft by-law to remove the commercial use of bed and breakfast, inns, and other accommodation establishments with 15 rooms or fewer, which may include catering services, sports and leisure activities. A public consultation session will be held prior to the next Council meeting, in accordance with the provisions regarding the *Urban Planning and Development Act*.

Council of the RCM of the Laurentians

The MRC officially applied for a grant to investigate the establishment of a regional fire authority serving the area surrounding the Town of Mont-Tremblant, which includes the Town of Barkmere. The Town Council of Mont-Tremblant had expressed its desire to withdraw from the management of its fire service, which has now been regionalized.

Mont-Tremblant has renewed the current inter-municipal agreements for 2027. However, the new regional fire authority must be in place by 2028.



Photo taken by: Annie Larocque, 24th of September 2026

For more details, please 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.