

Municipalité de/Municipality of SHEENBORO

SHEENBORO, QUEBEC JOX 2Z0

Mayor's Newsletter May 2011

The year ahead looks like another very busy one. Council is working on completing the road work that was started last year; the changes to the Fire Safety Cover Plan for the Pontiac and Sheenboro have been sent to the government for approval, and we are starting to plan for the future of our Municipality.

STRATEGIC PLANNING: Council unanimously agreed to move ahead with a look at the future of Sheenboro. During the year, Council and members of the Community will have an opportunity to look at our municipal assets and look at how we can optimize them for the future. Opportunities for input from our full-time/part-time residents are being planned.

MRC FIRE SAFETY COVER PLAN: Jacque Piche, the Coordinator for the MRC presented a workshop on the Fire Safety Cover Plan for the Pontiac at our January Council meeting. One area that will impact everyone is the requirement to have a working smoke detector in all occupied buildings.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES:

Waste Management of brush, twigs, logs and stumps can be taken to the lower waste management site but all other wood such as lumber, wooden furniture, windows, etc must be put in the dumpster to be taken away. We are no longer allowed to put these items in the lower waste management site. We have our new building up and almost finished. Hours for the summer are as follows: Wednesday's and Sunday's: 12:00-4:00, Saturdays: 10:00-4:00. Long weekend hours will be posted at the entrance.

Library services are available again this year in Chapeau on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 6:00 to 9:00 at the Dr. Wilbert Keon School. All full-time and part-time residents of Sheen can get a membership card and use the services of the Library. As an added feature of membership you can sign out passes to some of the museums and provincial parks in Quebec the same as you would sign out a book.

Computer Assistance: The Municipal Hall will be open on Tuesdays from 7:00-9:00 p.m. for our residents to have access to the computer. **Robert Miller** will be available to offer computer support and training for those who need assistance.

Sheenboro Website: Council is working on the Municipal Website and by the summer it should be up and running. Stayed tuned for more information about the launch of our website.

The *Recreation Association and the Parish Council* is actively planning the *Canada Day Celebration* for July 1st. There will be Helicopter rides again this year. Contact Jennifer Jennings (819-689-2751), jwjennings2@gmail.com if you would like to book a ride.

The *Sheenboro Irish Heritage Festival* (July 15th, 16th and 17th) is working hard on the activities of the weekend. If you have some time to volunteer your services please contact members of the Irish Heritage Committee. Check out their website: www.sheenirishfestival.ca

OTHER TOPICS:

Contact the MRC Pontiac for information and requirements to qualify for a grant to low-income households for home renovations.

Anyone interested in joining a biking group should contact me at 819-689-5171. We would like to organize a regular bike day during the months of June, July and August. All are welcome.

Tourist Attractions of the Pontiac. Check out their website: www.tourisme-pontiac.com/