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MESSAGE FROM YOUR MAYOR

Dear Citizens,

It's been another busy year for our municipality!

We had the pleasure of welcoming two new employees to the municipal team over the past year. Lucille Labonté, Director General and Clerk-Treasurer, took up her duties on January 16, and Sandra Duchesne, Assistant Clerk-Treasurer, in June. Among other things, the hiring of an assistant has enabled us to extend the opening hours of the municipal office. We would also like to thank Philippe Renaud, who is leaving the municipality for his years of service as Municipal Inspector . We wish him the best of luck in his new endeavours .

After obtaining the necessary ministerial authorizations, we were finally able to complete the Burke road stabilization project. Part of the rehabilitation work on the Rivière-Blanche road was also completed. Once again this year, we continued to invest in maintaining existing road infrastructure by resurfacing roads and cleaning ditches. Finally, in November, work began to resurface and enlarge the Municipality's parking lot, with the aim of creating a storage space for our

road-related materials and equipment. It will be completed by next spring.

To everyone's delight, 2023 marked the return of our annual picnic which washeld on September 9, 2023, at the Gaëtan-Brunet Park. We look forward to making it an annual event once again!

We'd like to thank all our staff members who helped make all these projects a reality.

In closing, I'd like to take this opportunity to join Council members and Municipal employees in wishing you and your family a very Happy Holiday season. May this festive season be filled with happiness, cheer and prosperity.

Robert Bertrand - Mayor

CLOSING OF THE OFFICE DURING THE HOLIDAY PERIOD

Please note that for the holiday season, the municipal office will be closed from noon on December 21, 2023, to January 2, 2024, inclusively. We look forward to seeing you on January 3, 2024!



NEW MUNICIPAL OFFICE HOURS

Monday: closed
Tuesday to Thursday: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Friday: 8 a.m. to noon.



NEXT MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MEETINGS-2024

DATE	TIME
January 15	7:30 p.m.
February 12	7:30 p.m.
March 11	7:30 p.m.
April 15	7:30 p.m.
May 13	7:30 p.m.
June 10	7:30 p.m.
July 8	7:30 p.m.
August 12	7:30 p.m.
September 9	7:30 p.m.
October 15 (Tuesday)	7:30 p.m.
November 11	7:30 p.m.
December 9	7:30 p.m.



FIRE SAFETY SERVICE
(MAYO AND MULGRAVE & DERRY)

The volunteer firefighters of the Mayo and Mulgrave & Derry Fire Safety Department would like to remind you, for your safety to check your smoke alarm batteries, clean/sweep your fireplace chimneys and have your civic address number home clearly visible this winter in the event of an emergency.

We also want to congratulate Mr. Brandon Lalonde, Assistant Director of the fire safety for his loyal service over the last 20 years.



HATS AND CAPS
WITH THE MUNICIPAL LOGO



Tuques and caps with the Municipality's logo are still available at the Municipal Office, 20 McAlendin Rd

for tuques \$25
for caps \$20

URBAN PLANNING / ENVIRONMENT

New regulations:

In accordance with the amendments to the Act respecting planning and development (chapter A-19.1), on April 3, 2023, council adopted By-law No. 2023-01 respecting the demolition of buildings.

Following the amendments to the Act respecting tourist accommodation (chapter H1.01), the council also adopted by-law No. 2023-03 amending the by-law on permits and certificates and zoning by-law No. 2016-02 to regulate the activity of tourist accommodation establishments in accordance with the provincial legal and regulatory framework applicable to that activity.

Interested citizens are invited to consult these by-laws at:
<https://mayo.ca/services-aux-citoyens/urbanisme-et-developpement/>

Mapping – Flood Zone:

The section of Rivière-Blanche located in the Municipality was added to the financial assistance agreement for the development of flood zone mapping following the adoption of a resolution to this effect at the meeting of the council of mayors of the MRC of Papineau, held on March 24, 2023. The Blanche River characterization project in Mayo is currently underway and should be completed by March 31, 2025.



PUBLIC WORKS

The Public Works Committee is pleased to report on the work and projects carried out over the past year. We have restored several culverts and municipal roads.

In May, the drainage infrastructure project to replace a culvert at 521 Rivière-Blanche rd. was carried out by the EuroVia group. A total of 2 km of ditch cleaning and gravel relining work was done on Burke and Monaghan roads. A cross culvert had to be replaced on an emergency basis during this project. Townline Road was upgraded with culvert changes, ditch repairs and a private driveway, in collaboration with the l'Ange-Gardien's Public Works Department. Finally, a new culvert was replaced at the corner of Route 315 and Cameron rd. Asphalt patching on this portion of Cameron rd. will be done in the spring.

We also worked in collaboration with the Ministère de l'Environnement and the Ministère de la Sécurité publique on two rehabilitation projects: two sections of the "Rivière-Blanche rd. rehabilitation" project was completed. These are the two sections that were authorized by the Ministry of the Environment, which did not require environmental studies.

The Burke Road stabilization project is finally underway, following provincial government approvals. This project, which took several years to complete, is funded entirely by the Ministère de la Sécurité publique (MSP). Following the 2017 floods, the MSP had included Burke Road on the list of disaster roads for which it had committed to covering the rehabilitation costs.



PROPERTY ASSESSMENT

Do you have questions about the assessment of your property following of the new 2024-2025-2026 property assessment roll? Do you want to understand how the assessment was done? Wondering if you can contest the assessment? We invite you to consult the explanatory brochure prepared by Servitech on the municipality's website that should answer most of your questions.



TEMPORARY CAR SHELTERS

A reminder that the Municipal by-law stipulates that temporary carports may be installed from November 1 of the current year to May 15 of the following year. They must respect a minimum 1.50-metre setback from the road right-of-way and a 0.75-metre side setback (By-law 2011-03).



SNOW REMOVAL

We wish to remind you that it is strictly forbidden to push snow across Municipal roads coording to by-law 2009-001. A fine could be issued to offenders.



AGREEMENT WITH THE BLACK MOUNTAIN

The Municipality renewed its agreement with the Black Mountains from November 1, 2023, to April 30, 2024 which means that Mayo residents will have free access to the Parc des Montages Noires de Ripon.

Outdoor enthusiasts will only have to show proof of residence at Chalet Stéphane-Richer (driver's license, tax bill or electricity).

Residents will also have a 15% discount on any accommodation rental (valid from Sunday to Thursday only).



ANNUAL PICNIC AT GAÉTAN BRUNET PARK

On September 9, the return of our annual picnic was held by Gaétan Brunet Park.

We sold 184 tickets for a total of \$4,600.

We would like to thank the participants and generous sponsors who participated in this event.

This year was a success.



FORÊT-LA-BLANCHE ECOLOGICAL RESERVE

This year marks the 20th anniversary of the official constitution of the Forêt-la-Blanche ecological reserve. Come and get some fresh air close to home!

Passes are mandatory and allow the non-profit organization Les Amis de la Forêt-la-Blanche to pursue its mission and offer annual access to the trails. The new website includes an online store from which you can purchase your day or annual passe, or make a donation.

For more information on services or to make a reservation, contact info@foretla blanche.org or call (819) 281-6700.



COMMUNITY LIBRARY AT FORÊT-LA-BLANCHE

The Mayo Community Library is open and is waiting for visitors! It is located at the Forêt-la-Blanche Interpretation Centre at 300 Saddler Road.

You can take out a book, return it or not, or bring in a book (novels published less than 10 years ago, children or teenager books and comic books) you have finished reading that are in good condition.

The library is open every day between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., but you should call (819-281-6700) before going to the Forêt-la-Blanche Interpretation Centre at 300 Saddler Road.



HOUSEHOLD WASTE

Please consult the 2023 and 2024 garbage and recycling collection schedules (still on Wednesdays) on our website at mayo.ca for the latest dates. The new 2024 collection schedule will be sent to you with your property tax bill at the end of January.

You can purchase a garbage bin on wheels for \$ 80 (taxes and delivery included) by contacting the Municipality at (819) 986-3199.



The entire team in your Municipality wishes you all a very

Happy* *Holiday* *season!

*We hope this new year brings health, happiness
and peace to everyone!*