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A WORD FROM THE MAYOR

#### Dear Community,

The Messenger is back! Each month from now on, you will find this invaluable community information newsletter in your mailboxes and online at frelighsburg.ca.

I take the opportunity of this first new edition to thank you for your trust and assure you that all Council members take up this new term with enthusiasm and a dedication to listen and implement the projects and activities that you care about.

With that in mind, I reaffirm our commitment to transparency, in particular by continuing to broadcast municipal meetings online, even if they are held in person again. The draft agenda will be posted on a Wednesday preceding the Monday meeting so that you can be informed in advance of the topics that will be discussed in the regular session. A new addition to the home page of the website will also allow you to ask questions directly to the Council ahead of time.

If you wish to talk about a particular project or have questions that you would like to ask the Council, I will be available every Friday at the Town Hall, by prior appointment. And of course, the team will be happy to meet with you when necessary.

I invite you to subscribe to **News**, on the Municipality's website, a simple process that will allow you to receive in real-time all the information regarding municipal life (draft agenda, date of regular and special meetings with links to attend remotely, roads department announcements, road closure notices, etc.).

On behalf of the Council, the administrative team and myself, have a wonderful Holiday Season!

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# COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CPE Committee** - The Early Childhood Centre Committee is looking for local young families to answer a survey about the needs of parents with preschool children or who are planning to have children in the next few years. Please take a few minutes to complete the survey on the Vitalité Frelighsburg website at: vitalitefrelighsburg.ca. That would help the Committee tremendously. Thanks in advance!

**Adélard** – Thanks to your unwavering support, magic happened again at Adélard on this third season! Three thousand people (twice the number for the previous summer) came to the village and Anglican church to meet our artists, participate in our activities and enjoy the exhibits at Adélard's. Artists were captivated by Frelighsburg and its inhabitants. New: During the winter months, we will be offering activities at the Grammar School. More info to come!

## THANK YOU ANNE!

We take advantage of this new edition of Le Messager to acknowledge our dear colleague Anne Pouleur's 30-year dedication to municipal management.

Thank you Anne for your commitment to your municipality and your team! Thank you for your professionalism and patience, and for being a good listener, all of which make you a sensible teammate, a great mentor and a trusted friend.

We congratulate you for those long years of service filled with many accomplishments, and wish you a very pleasant, well-deserved retirement! Now you have much more time for yourself and your family.

We are very grateful that you chose to serve as a consultant starting in the new year, and let us still benefit from your vast experience and guide us with your advice!

Sergey Golikov Town Manager of Frelighsburg





**Cause for celebration!** École-o-village is celebrating its own 25th birthday and that of the Arboretum. We need your support to carry through on our mission! You can donate at: www.ecole-o-village-89.webself.net. To learn more about the history of the Arboretum, visit our Facebook@Ecoleovillage page. You would like to join the Arboretum's 25th-anniversary celebration team, you have ideas and feel like celebrating? Email ecoleovillage@gmail.com and we will contact you. Thank you!

**FR2** – It's official, the FR2 trail is open! This 12 km trail begins south of the Municipal Park trails. A great big thank you to the following landowners who granted us a right of way: Gestion CJY Beaudoin inc., Clos McIntosh (Lucie Dagenais and Claude Bourbeau), 9206-8055 Quebec inc. (Stacey L'Ecuyer and Philippe Choinière) and Bruce Johnston and Laure Waridel. And thank you from the bottom of our hearts to all the volunteers who made this trail a reality!

#### Town Hall Opening Hours:

Monday to Thursday from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

\*FRIDAY: ON APPOINTMENT ONLY

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Located in the picturesque Eastern Townships, Frelighsburg is considered one of Quebec's most beautiful villages. With its hilly landscape dotted with renowned apple orchards and its historic charm created by a remarkable architectural heritage, Frelighsburg is recognized for its artistic talents, cultural environment, agriculture and tourist attractions. Crossed by the sinuous Rivière aux Brochets, shaded by the untamed Mount Pinnacle, Frelighsburg proffers exceptional quality of life for its residents and attracts thousands of visitors each year.

### **MUNICIPAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### Urban Planning and Regulations

The revised version of the draft urban planning plans and bylaws that were introduced last spring will be adopted during the December 6, 2021 meeting. Once adopted, these bylaws will become public and you can access them via frelighsburg.ca.

To give you enough time to consult the changes made and to form an informed opinion on the content of the modifications, the Municipality will wait until January 17, 2022, before opening the register.

As of January 17, those who oppose the proposed overhaul will then be able to stat\_e their opposition. If the required number of signatures is obtained, a referendum allowing all the qualified voters to express themselves will then be held on our territory. More details on the dates and terms will be published in the next Messenger.

#### Two positions to be filled in the Urban Planning Advisory Committee

The election of Marie Claude Aubin as councillor and the moving of a member outside the territory of the Municipality have freed up two positions of citizen representatives within the Urban Planning Advisory Committee.

What is the Urban Planning Advisory Committee? This is a committee mandated by the Municipal Council to make recommendations on submitted requests regarding by-law on-site planning and architectural integration as well as on minor variations. This workgroup is made up of one member of the Municipal Council and four residents chosen by the Council to guide, direct and support its town-planning actions.

**Do you want to sit on the Urban Planning Advisory Committee?** This Committee normally meets once a month, in the afternoon. If you are available and wish to submit your application, send a letter of interest and your resume to municipalite@frelighsburg.ca or drop them off at the Town Hall before December 17, 2021. The Municipal Council will meet in December to select members, whose two-year term will begin in January 2022.

#### Hiring of a Municipal Planner

We welcome Christophe Savoie, our new Municipal Planner, who joined our team on November 15. You can reach him at 450 298-5133, extension 22 or by email at urbanisme@frelighsburg.ca.

#### Jobs

The Municipality is looking for a Municipal Inspector in a position shared with the Town of Dunham.

The Municipality is also looking for a Public Works Supervisor.

See job descriptions at frelighsburg.ca/jobs.

New Advisory Committees

To better include citizens in the Council's broad policy guidelines, we are creating four new Advisory Committees:

1) Environmental Advisory Committee

2) Society life Advisory Committee

3) Culture & Tourism Advisory Committee

4) Agriculture Advisory Committee

Each of these committees will be made up of four community members and one representative of the Council who will report during the monthly meeting.

Citizens interested in participating in a committee are invited to send a letter of interest and their resume to municipalite@frelighsburg.ca or drop them off at the Town Hall before January 4, 2022. The Board will choose the members of each committee from the applications submitted.

#### 2022 Collection Calendar

You will receive the 2022 collection calendar by mail in the coming weeks. To find out your area (1, 2 or 4) and receive a personalized calendar, enter your civic address at frelighsburg.ca/collecte.

#### New Town Hall Opening Hours in 2022

As of January 2nd, 2022, the Town Hall opening hours will be Monday to Thursday, from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. and from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Open Friday on appointment only.

#### Holiday Schedule

Please note that the Town Hall will be closed from December 24 to January 2 inclusive.

# CHRISTMAS MAGIC IS ON ITS WAY TO FRELIGHSBURG – MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

#### FRELIGHSBURG CHRISTMAS MARKET

December 18 and 19 weekend, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Our picturesque Anglican Church will once again host the Frelighsburg Christmas Market this year. This 5th edition will be a "lighter" version, but just as joyful and memorable! Exhibitors will offer a wide variety of products under the gastronomical and tableware theme. Put Quebec on your table and under the Christmas tree while encouraging local businesses... come to our Christmas Market! We need volunteers: would you like to join a great team of volunteers and be part of this wonderful and fun event? Email vitalitefrelighsburg@gmail.com.

#### TOURIST INFORMATION OFFICE

#### Don't miss all the great activities on December weekends at the Grammar School!

Christmas Shop at the Tourist Information Office. Discover a wide range of products from local artisans, including greeting cards and a limited edition of Oneka hand soap featuring Christmas drawings made by elementary school children! These drawings will also be on display upstairs at the Grammar School (Art Centre). Hours: December 3-4-5, 10-11-12 and 17-18-19, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

#### Autograph Sessions – Meet Local Writers!

Heidi Spühler, Writer – Book: "Le fabuleux périple d'une aventurière intuitive". December 4 and 5; 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Iolande Cadrin-Rossignol, Filmmaker – Book/documentary film: La terre vue du Cœur. December 5; 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Suzanne Jane Hughes, Writer – Book: "Lamb Astray (A Home Child's Story)". December 4 and 5; 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

**Camp Garagona's Merry Sale!** All items for sale are lovingly handcrafted by the Camp's Day Service users. December 11 and 12 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. **CHRISTMAS EVE MASS** 

December 24 at 6:00 p.m. at Bishop Stewart Memorial Church in Frelighsburg, with Reverend Tyson Rosberg, officiating priest from Stanbridge East. All are welcome!

Next Municipal Council meeting: MONDAY DECEMBER 6, 2021 AT 7 P.M.

To send a question to the Municipal Council: frelighsburg.ca/conseil

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