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A WORD FROM THE MAYORESS

Hello everyone,

The 2025 budget forecasts, as well as the three-year capital plan for 2025, 2026, and 2027, which were adopted at town council on December 16, are presented on the back of this document.

Establishing Expenses

Municipalities are required to produce a balanced budget. To do so, the Council first considers the mandatory expenses that it must pay, which are beyond its control.

These unavoidable expenses, which represent a significant portion of our budget, have once again seen an extraordinary increase this year. Here are a few examples:

- Quebec Provincial Police: 10.71%
- S.P.A. des Cantons: 295%
- Municipal Court: 600%
- Insurance: 14.39%
- Financial Audit: 13.8%
- Municipal Housing Office: 187%

Furthermore, to cope with the increased workload due to the implementation of 27 new laws, 34 new regulations from 14 different ministries since 2021, emergency interventions related to weather conditions, and mandatory catch-up in fire safety, the Council has authorized the hiring of new resources.

Except for the assistant to the director, the security officer, the prevention officer, the deputy clerk-treasurer, and the inspector, all were hired through intermunicipal agreements and internal resource maximization.

The repayment of loan regulations and the related interest are additional expenses, as mentioned above.

Establishing Revenues

The majority of the Municipality's revenue comes from property taxes paid by owners.

To meet expenses, the general tax rate, which includes property tax, Quebec Provincial Police and MRC contributions, will increase from \$0.3700 to \$0.4158 per \$100 of evaluation.

Considering the specific characteristics of the territory, such as its size, mountainous topography, gravel roads, and low density of occupation, I believe that operational costs are reasonable.

And when we take into account the unavoidable need to surround ourselves with a reliable, competent, and professional team, management costs are moderate.

In conclusion, let us highlight that the adopted rate allows us to maintain a global tax level lower than that of all neighboring municipalities.

Lucie Dagenais

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NEWS FROM THE ADVISORY COMMITTEES

ENVIRONMENT

Changes to the contents of the blue bin

Since January 1st, Éco Entreprises Québec has been mandated by the government to standardize the contents of the blue bins. Many advertisements have focused on the contents of these bins:

- 1) containers;
- 2) packaging;
- 3) printed materials.

All of Quebec now recycles according to the same list of recyclable materials: www.recyc-quebec.gouv.qc.ca/appmobile-cavaou.

1- **Containers** are made of paper, cardboard, glass, plastic, or metal and contain a product used until it is finished.

Containers should be rinsed before being placed in the blue bin.

Note: In Frelighsburg, recovery bins for glass are installed on Garagona Road. Please use them!

2- **Packaging** has been used to transport a product. It can be made of paper, cardboard, glass, plastic, or metal: egg cartons, cardboard, paper bags, cans, juice or milk cartons, etc. To optimize space, cardboard boxes should be flattened. Aluminum cans are all refundable and do not go in the blue bin.

3- **Printed materials** are newspapers, magazines, flyers, tissue paper, etc. Soiled paper and cardboard should be placed in the compost bin.

New plastic products are now considered recyclable and can be placed in the blue bin: food styrofoam, plastic bags, chip bags, small yogurt containers, plastic or bubble mailers, fruit and vegetable nets, multilayer packaging, etc.

For specific information about a particular product, it is best to refer directly to the regional ecocenter's website: mrcbm.qc.ca/recyclage. You will also find a list of prohibited materials and how to dispose of them.

CULTURE AND TOURISM

Conference Adélar Godbout, père d'Hydro-Québec

More info to follow on the town's website and Facebook page.

MUNICIPALITY

PRESENTATION OF DRAFT REGULATIONS

To review draft by-laws, visit frelighsburg.ca or stop by Town Hall to obtain a copy. Before the adoption date of a bylaw, you can always submit comments or suggestions for potential modifications.

Draft Bylaw no. 115-02-2025 establishing the municipal tax rates for the year 2025

Motion notice: January 13, 2025

Scheduled adoption of the bylaw: February 3, 2025

Draft Bylaw no. 116-2025 granting compensation to members of the municipal council

Motion notice: January 9, 2025

Scheduled adoption of the bylaw: February 3, 2025

Draft Bylaw no. RM 330-2025 on traffic and parking

Motion notice: January 13, 2025

Scheduled adoption of the bylaw: February 3, 2025

NEW PRESENTATION OF YOUR TAX BILL

You will notice, upon receiving your annual tax bill, that the information is now better segmented.

Thus, the cost of the SQ (Quebec Provincial Police), the MRC contributions, and the waste collection are now clearly identified, as well as a description of each borrowing bylaw.

Payment can be spread over four installments, with no interest fees.

COMMUNITY

BBQ DINNER AT ÉCOLE SAINT-FRANÇOIS-D'ASSISE

Join us for the new edition of the fundraising dinner at École Saint-François-d'Assise, which will take place from 4:30 PM to 9:00 PM on February 14th.

Tickets are available at Dépanneur du Village and Marché Tradition, in limited quantity.

FERTILE LAND

Second Community Meeting on Local Agriculture and Food

On February 6, 2025, from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM, at Beat et Betterave

Fertile Land, a committee of Vitalité Frelighsburg, is organizing a second evening to present ideas for structuring projects for local agriculture and food that were developed following the March 2024 meeting.

Villagers from all backgrounds are invited to come together to put collective intelligence and skills to use in planning the implementation of these projects.

If agroecological local food is important to you, this is an event you won't want to miss!

Municipal Council

The next meeting of the Municipal Council will be held on January 13, 2025, at 7pm.

To send a question to the Council, visualize the agenda or take part in the meeting online, go to: frelighsburg.ca/conseil

Town Hall Opening Hours

Monday to Thursday : 8:30 am to 12 pm and from 1 pm to 4:30pm

Friday is by appointment only

450 298-5133 — municipalite@frelighsburg.ca

PRÉVISIONS BUDGÉTAIRES

Exercice se terminant le 31 décembre 2025

	2024	2025
REVENUS		
Taxes	2 209 944	2 672 173
Compensations tenant lieu de taxes	30 480	18 480
Transferts	405 995	442 172
Services rendus	99 795	179 578
Imposition de droits	167 200	117 200
Intérêts	83 000	98 000
Autres revenus	2 000	2 000
TOTAL	2 998 414	3 529 603

CHARGES		
Administration générale	637 802	772 278
Sécurité publique	508 414	577 364
Transport	1 022 811	982 727
Hygiène du milieu	229 743	250 066
Santé et bien-être	1 500	2 808
Aménagement, urbanisme et développement	173 151	167 751
Loisirs et culture	165 748	180 913
Frais de financement	135 597	192 765
TOTAL	2 874 766	3 126 672

FINANCEMENT		
Remboursement de la dette à long terme	226 507	343 931

AFFECTATIONS		
Activités d'investissement	113 500	57 000
Surplus	(216 359)	0

PROGRAMME TRIENNAL D'IMMOBILISATION 2025-2027							
PROJET	MODE DE FINANCEMENT	PÉRIODE DE RÉALISATION	ESTIMATION DES COÛTS				
			2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Travaux majeurs réseaux eaux/voirie	MAMH (TECQ 2024-28) + Municipalité	2024-2028	350k\$	300k\$	100k\$	600k\$	100k\$
Construction usine d'épuration	MAMH (PRIMEAU 2023) + Municipalité	2024-2026		60k\$	1,8M\$	700k\$	
Prolongement aqueduc Route 213	MAMH (PRIMEAU 2023*) + Municipalité	2025-2026			50*k\$	400*k\$	
Prolongement aqueduc Ch. Verger-Modèle	MAMH (PRIMEAU 2023*) + Municipalité	2025-2026			50*k\$	400*k\$	
Travaux majeurs voirie	MTQ (PAVL 2025*) + Municipalité	2025-2028		10k\$		2,5*M\$	2*M\$
Transformation Église	MCC/CPQR + FCM (FMV*) + HQ* + Municipalité + Sociofinancement	2022-2027	20k\$	700k\$	500*k\$	1,3M\$	2M\$
Construction caserne-garage municipal	MAMH (PRACIM 2023*) + FCM (FMV*) + HQ* + Municipalité	2024-2026		20k\$	150*k\$	4*M\$	
Construction trottoirs	MTQ (TAPU 2024*) + Municipalité	2025			250*k\$		
* Subvention en attente de confirmation / 1 k\$ = 1 000 \$ / 1 M\$ = 1 000 000 \$ MAMH = ministère des Affaires municipales et de l'Habitation / MCC = ministère de la Culture et des Communications					2,9M\$	9,9M\$	4,1M\$
CPRQ = Conseil du patrimoine religieux du Québec / Église BSM = Église Bishop Stewart Memorial FCM = Fédération canadienne des municipalités/ HQ = Hydro-Québec/ MTQ = ministère des Transports et de la Mobilité durable							