



NEWS FROM COUNCIL

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This issue of News from Council will bring you up to date on the following :

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2. **Results of March 29th conference for seniors and MADA Committee update;**
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1. North Hatley applying for funding for its June 24th Québec holiday celebrations.

As has been done over the past two years, North Hatley will be celebrating Québec's national holiday on June 24th. The municipality received financial support from the provincial government for its June 24th activities in both 2015 and 2016. Council has therefore passed a resolution to apply for funding from the provincial government for the organization of a series of fun family activities on June 24th 2017.

Of course, in addition to the celebration of Québec's national holiday on June 24th, North Hatley will also be celebrating Canada's 150th birthday on July 1st and the organization of activities for this historic milestone is also underway.

2. Results of March 29th conference for seniors and MADA Committee update.

The municipality's free conference for seniors and caregivers given by *La Table de Concertation des Aînés de Memphrémagog* on Wednesday March 29th at the North Hatley Community Centre was a great success. Numerous organisations were on hand to speak with attendees, including The Townshippers' Association, *L'APPUI pour les proches aidants d'aînés*, The Eastern Townships Alzheimer's Association, Lennoxville Community Aid, *Personnaide*, The PAIR Program, *Équipe Ressource Relais*, The Home Service Coop, *Le Centre de Santé et Services Sociaux* and of course *La Table de Concertation des Aînés de Memphrémagog*. Over 80 people attended the information session and conference given by Registered Social Worker Amanda Rocheleau, and the feedback was extremely positive.

The MADA Committee is continuing to work with Council on the completion of a municipal policy and action plan for seniors and this project is expected to be adopted by Council at its August or September public meeting, at the very latest. Problems within the areas of Community and Health Services, Communication, Transportation, Housing and Social Participation will be addressed by the plan. All of the information and comments in these five areas, that were contributed by you at the MADA public consultations last November, are now being used to complete the plan that will be adopted by Council and submitted to the *Ministère de la Famille* for MADA recognition. Once North Hatley is recognized as a MADA municipality, it will become eligible to receive provincial funding to complete its action plan.

3. North Hatley joins *Le Conseil Sport Loisirs Estrie* and names two representatives.

The Conseil Sport Loisirs Estrie (The Eastern Townships Council of Sports and Recreation) is an organization that provides support for municipalities within the area of sports and recreation and in order to take advantage of the opportunity to benefit from this organization's expertise, Council has decided to register with the CSLE for a cost of \$70.00. In 2016, 44 municipalities in the Eastern Townships have benefitted from this organisation's expertise, including the municipalities of Waterville, Stanstead, Magog, Orford, Hatley Township and Sherbrooke. Council also named Councillor Mrs. Marcella Davis Gerrish and Director General Mr. Daniel Décarý as representatives of North Hatley in the activities of the CSLE.

4. *Fleurons du Québec*'s « Ateliers Verts » in North Hatley for the very first time.

Shortly after recognizing North Hatley with its fourth *Fleuron*, last December, *Fleurons du Québec* chose our charming village for its annual series of Green Workshops. The workshops took place on March 16th at the Hovey Manor, and representatives of the municipality were invited as guests to attend the day's series of talks and presentations. *Fleurons du Québec* is a well known organization which bestows special recognition on municipalities for their creative use of plantings, flower arrangements, landscaping and signage. North Hatley now holds four out of a possible five *Fleurons*.

This completes the April edition of *News from Council*. Remember to send any questions and concerns to communication@northhatley.org or by mail to The Municipal Council, Village of North Hatley, 3125, ch. Capelton, North Hatley J0B 2C0. You can also continue to check our website and attend monthly Village Council meetings on the first Monday of each month at 7:00 pm at the North Hatley Community Centre : 3127, ch. Capelton.