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TOWN COUNCIL NEWS

Here is your
Town Council
until 2017 :



Mayor/ Yvan Cardinal

Number of terms : 2
Occupation : Teacher at Commission scolaire Marguerite-Bourgeoys (retired)
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COUNCILLORS



District 1 / Alexandre Wolford

Number of terms : 1
Occupation : Historian specialized in urban and environmental history and Ph.D. student in urban studies at INRS

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Town Council representative on the Social Development, Community Services and Recreation Commission and on the Infrastructure, Public Works and Land Development Commission



District 4 / Diane Boyer

Number of terms : 1
Occupation : Purchasing Supervisor at Cégep André-Laurendeau (retired)

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President of the Administration and Finance Commission and Delegate on the Board of Directors of the Régie de l'eau de l'Île Perrot



District 2 / Denise Bergeron

Number of terms : 2 (elected in a 2012 by election)
Occupation : Coordinator of the St.Patrick Elementary School daycare service (retired)

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President of the Social Development, Community Services and Recreation Commission

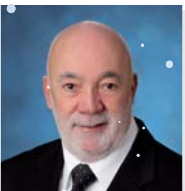


District 5 / Jim Miron

Number of terms : 6
Occupation : IT Development Supervisor at Canadian Pacific (retired)

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President of the infrastructure, public works and land development commission and delegate on the Board of Directors of the CIT La Presqu'île and Transport Soleil



District 3 / Sam Ierfino

Number of terms : 1
Occupation : Lawyer (retired)

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Town Council representative on the Public Safety Commission and on the Planning Advisory Committee



District 6 / René Lecavalier

Number of terms : 1
Occupation : Fire chief for the Town of Pierrefonds (retired)

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President of the Public Safety Commission, Town Council representative on the Administration and Finance Commission and Alternate Delegate at the CIT La Presqu'île and at Transport Soleil

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

With this new year ahead of us, let yourself be carried away by your dreams. May your life be filled with projects and adventures.
Health, love and serenity for you and your entire family.

Stay tuned, we have so many nice projects for you in 2016.

Your Town Council and municipal employees

RECREATION AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

REGISTRATION TO ACTIVITIES

On **December 14**, you'll receive Pincourt's winter activity leaflet in your Publisac. Here are the important registration dates to keep in mind.

WINTER ACTIVITIES

Online

Residents: December 16, 2015 to January 6, 2016

Non-residents: December 23, 2015 to January 6, 2016

Registration: www.villepincourt.qc.ca

In person

January 7 and 8, 2016, from 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm, at the Faubourg de l'Île

SUMMER CAMP

Online only

From March 3 until June 1, 2016

Registration: www.villepincourt.qc.ca

MARCH BREAK

In cooperation with L'Île-Perrot and Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot, the Town of Pincourt has put together a great program of free and paid activities to keep your kids busy during March Break, which will take place next year **from February 29 to March 4, 2016**.

Registration:

Online, from January 25 to February 5, 2016

Details and registration: www.villepincourt.qc.ca

WINTERFEST

January 30, 2016

12:30 to 4:30 pm - Olympique Park

During winter it is still possible to have some fun outside. Having rosy cheeks or a runny nose are all part of winter joys. What could be more invigorating than spending a day playing in the snow?

Join us on January 30 for our annual winter gathering. We have planned a whole afternoon of outdoor activities for the family!

ON THE PROGRAM:

Inflatable games

Animation

Dogsledding (for children)

Tubing

Pedal Go-Karts

Volleyball

Outdoor hockey with HMIP

Mascot

Scouts Winter Camp

Ice fishing (shuttle from the Olympique Park)

Horse sleigh rides

Sugar shack, taffy on snow (\$)

Food trucks (\$)

And more !



INAUGURATION OF A GATHERING PLACE FOR SENIORS

Pincourt seniors now have access to a place of their own to meet and talk. Opened on October 22, the seniors' meeting place is a 12-x-14-ft. outdoor gazebo at the rear of the OMH building, located at 114 chemin Duhamel.

Equipped with patio furniture, the shelter is a unique structure: its roof is a replica of the work produced by Pincourt OMH residents as part of a cultural outreach program.

Complete details: www.villepincourt.qc.ca



HANDY INFORMATION

To contact the municipal administration:

514 453-8981

- Option 1: Accounts Payable and Taxation
- Option 2: Urban Planning and Permit
- Option 3: Town Management and Mayor's Office
- Option 4: Town Clerk and Communications
- Option 5: Public Works (*extension 381 outside business hours*)
- Option 6: Recreation and Community Service
- Option 7: Emergency and Fire Protection Service
- Option 8: Infrastructures

LIBRARY
514 425-1104, ext. 6244

ÉCOCENTRE DE L'ÎLE

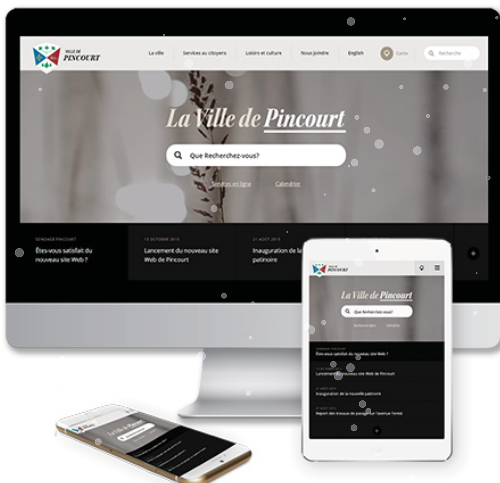
750 Olympique Blvd

SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER 1 TO MARCH 31

Friday: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm
Saturday: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Accepted materials: wood, construction materials and excavation materials.

Information: www.villepincourt.qc.ca



For more news, please visit our brand new website!
www.villepincourt.qc.ca

Christmas Holidays

For the Christmas Holidays, all our offices (Town Hall, Library, Municipal Garage and Omni-Centre) will be closed:

From December 24, 2015 to January 3, 2016 inclusively.

We will respond to any messages left on our voicemail and Facebook page after we get back **on Monday, January 4, 2016.**

During the Christmas Holidays, please **dial 3-1-1** to report any water main breaks, road obstructions, flooding, defective traffic lights, sewer backups, etc.

BLOOD DONOR CLINIC

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 2016 - 1:30 PM TO 7:30 PM

Faubourg de l'Île, in the former Librairies Boyer

The Pincourt Volunteer Firefighters Association is inviting you to take part in its annual blood drive.

Give blood. Give life.



CHRISTMAS TREES

Want to get rid of your Christmas tree? Public Works will pick up real trees every day from Monday, January 4, 2016 through the end of the month, without charge. Make sure you remove all decorations before putting your tree by the curb.



OVERNIGHT PARKING

As usual and just like in every other town in the *MRC de Vaudreuil-Soulanges*, parking your car in the street is prohibited between midnight and 7:00 am through April 1.

The Town will not issue any temporary overnight parking permits during the Holidays.

PICKUPS DURING HOLIDAYS

Recycling collection will take place as planned on December 24 and 31, 2015. The same goes for garbage on December 28. However, don't be surprised if your garbage isn't picked up at the same time as usual.

MAYOR'S REPORT



DEAR FELLOW CITIZENS,

For seven years now, I have been proud to present the Mayor's report on the Town's financial position, as prescribed by section 474.1 of the *Cities and Towns Act*.

The Town Council is working to continue providing the services and infrastructure that citizens are entitled to expect. With the measures we have taken pursuant to our Social Development Policy, we are pursuing our efforts to foster citizen engagement.

Our budget and operations take each and every taxpayer's ability to pay into account. Our goal is to maintain our debt serving obligations at a level that is more than acceptable. Thanks to the skills and hard work of Pincourt's managers and employees, the Town Council is proud of the results obtained in 2015.

You will find the full text of my report on the Town's website. In addition, all documents mentioned in this report are available for consultation at Town Hall.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2014

At the end of the 2014 fiscal year, the Town of Pincourt had an accumulated surplus of approximately \$7,996,420, after this year's contribution of just over \$4,815,549.

We are keeping our debt service level below the average values normally deemed to be acceptable by the *Ministère des Affaires municipales et de l'Occupation du territoire*. As a result, we are able to carry out a respectable and reasonable program of repairs and improvements to many Town infrastructures to better serve our community.

To ensure we use the available surplus wisely, the Town Council adopted a resolution last August to create three-year reserves to pay for various work and undertakings, as follows:

SURPLUS AVAILABLE AS OF JUNE 30, 2015 : **\$5,330,643.00**

REPAYMENT (BY-LAW 715) : **\$1,882,141.00**

BAD DEBTS : **\$77,585.00**

INFRASTRUCTURE REPAIR PROJECTS : **\$900,000.00**

PARK AND PLAYGROUND INVESTMENT PROJECTS : **\$250,000.00**

LEGAL CONTINGENCIES RESERVE : **\$500,000.00**

BUILDING AND URBAN FURNITURE MAINTENANCE : **\$330,000.00**

IT AND NETWORK IMPROVEMENT RESERVE : **\$60,000.00**

SPECIAL PROJECTS : **\$300,000.00**

UNALLOCATED SURPLUS AS OF AUGUST 11, 2015 : **\$1,030,916.95**

PRELIMINARY FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR 2015

OPERATING BUDGETS

According to the quarterly reports produced to date by the Town's various departments, we are in line with our budget projections so far and should end the year with a small budget surplus. However, we note that we are experiencing a slowdown in the Town's economic activity, and revenues generated by the real estate sector are somewhat lower than in recent years.

PROGRAMME TRIENNAL

The three-year program includes a range of projects that the administration intends to achieve on its territory over the next three years.

FUTURE WORK

01	Preparatory work for La Coopérative de Solidarité and the Pointe-aux-Renards housing project	2016
02	Work on Forest Avenue	2016
03	Installation of emergency generators at pump-houses 4 and 7, and at the Town Hall	2015
04	Installation of a new equipment to resolve problem of odours from the wastewater treatment plant	2016
05	Installation of variable-message signs on Cardinal-Léger and de l'île boulevards	2015
06	Studies on creating a waterfront walkway along chemin Duhamel	2016-2017

WORK COMPLETED

We also made improvements in the areas surrounding the Town's schools to encourage students to adopt active transportation (walking, cycling, etc.) while ensuring the areas are as safe as possible.

Also on the safety front, we purchased a pump truck for the Emergency and Fire Protection Department to replace one of its two units, which had reached 20 years of age and was due for replacement in accordance with the risk management plan and *Fire Safety Act*.

WORK IN PROGRESS

We began repairs to pump-house no. 3, located at the corner of chemin Duhamel and 5th Avenue. Work should be completed this fall.

In addition, and as expected, development of a portion of the land on 5th Avenue in front of the sports complex has begun, and construction of the new project is proceeding rapidly. As for the sports complex itself, legal problems are no longer weighing on the project's completion and Groupe Thibault should resume work in early 2016 with a view to opening the facility for the start of the 2016-2017 season.

*The Town of Pincourt's financial statements were audited by the firm Goudreau Poirier et associés.

FINANCIAL SITUATION – 2015

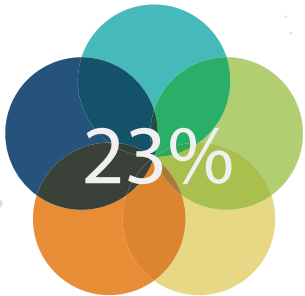
GENERAL GUIDANCE FOR THE YEAR 2016

Operating Budgets

The Quebec government has proposed a new fiscal pact to municipalities. In a nutshell, the government is maintaining the cuts and reductions made in recent years. There are no significant injections of new revenue in the cards for Pincourt except for a few adjustments to selected programs, such as compensation for waste collection.

However, we believe that the impact of various legislative provisions affecting municipal governments in recent years will be felt in 2016. Normally, by this date we should already have been informed of the amounts that various organizations that bill the Town every year will be charging, or various amounts set by legislation. We firmly believe that these organizations have postponed adopting their budgets in the hopes of receiving greater financial assistance from the Quebec government.

It is clear that there has been very little for these organizations and we therefore have to expect substantial increases, whether for the *Sûreté du Québec*, the *Agence métropolitaine de transport* or its successor, the *Communauté métropolitaine de Montréal* and so on. We wish to remind citizens that these sums accounted for nearly 23% of our budget last year.



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2016-2017-2018 Three-Year Program

The complete three-year program will be available at Town Hall following its adoption. The largest project is without doubt repairs to a substantial section of chemin Duhamel, estimated at somewhat over \$8,000,000; nearly 50% of that sum will come from the government's gas tax and Quebec contribution program (TECQ), which is the only program so far confirmed in terms of financial support for municipal infrastructure.

In terms of specific projects slated for 2016, the list includes repairs to 5th Avenue between chemin Duhamel and the Bellevue Street right-of-way, to Forest Avenue and to 23rd, 24th and 25th Avenues, the installation of a fitness course at Taillon Park, the waterfront walkway pilot project on chemin Duhamel and finally the construction of new municipal workshops in conjunction with a renovation of the Emergency and Fire Protection Department's fire station and the existing building.

The Council meeting for the adoption of the budget will be held on December 15, 2015 at 7:30 pm at the Omni-Centre. See you there.

2015 MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS' REMUNERATION

Under regulation number 666-2, the remuneration of elected municipal officials in 2015 was as follows:

MAYOR*



Remuneration: \$47,018.84
Non-taxable expense allowance: \$15,976.00

COUNCILLOR*



Remuneration: \$13,998.80
Non-taxable allowance: \$6,999.40

*The members of the Town Council receive no additional compensation for taking part in Town Council commissions or committees.

These sums paid to elected officials in 2015 represented 1.06 % of the Town's total budget.

The Mayor, or his substitute, receives from the RCM:

Participation to RCM Council meetings:	\$1,339.00
Participation in the administrative committee:	\$1,637.00
Participation in various working committees:	\$1,712.89
Substitute prefect:	\$16,664.04

The Town of Pincourt's representatives receive the following pay for their participation in the REIP board of directors:

Mayor: \$1,167.00 and a Non-taxable allowance of \$583.50
Councillor: \$1,000.00 and a Non-taxable allowance of \$500.00

Yvan Cardinal,
Pincourt Mayor

Appendices

- The December 31, 2014 consolidated financial report and the independent auditor's report;
- The triennial capital investment program 2015-2016-2017;
- The compensation of elected municipal officials in 2015;
- The list of all contracts exceeding \$ 25,000;
- Analysis of the debt service of the Town of Pincourt for the triennial capital investment program 2016-2017-2018.

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