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A WORD FROM THE MAYOR

After the November 2021 elections, the new town council recognized the challenges the town was facing, including a large number of vacant positions. Together, elected officials and civil servants have created a culture based on humility, exemplary behavior, and collaboration. Several best management practices have been implemented. While this transformation is still ongoing, I am pleased to say that a new dynamic has taken root, and we are on the path to a sustainable cultural change.

The second priority for the council was to address public finance management and the backlog in renewing our infrastructure. Recently, Boucher and Couvent Streets were repaved, addressing real issues for our citizens. In 2025, Murer Street will be next, with other streets to follow. These projects are funded by programs from the Government of Quebec and are part of an intervention plan developed by an engineering firm. Failing to meet our commitments could result in losing important subsidies, which represent millions of dollars each time.

These major projects force us to make certain financial compromises. Otherwise, the impact on our taxes over the next 10 years would be too great. However, an improved budgeting process now allows for better long-term predictability. Thanks to this and the diligence of our administration, we have proposed a reduced spending budget for 2025.

A future priority will be economic diversification. We will keep you informed about major opportunities (the mill's future, Onimiki, the mine). Each of these will require certain compromises to become a reality. However, it is important to understand that the most crucial factor in maintaining our local businesses and services is our own habit of shopping locally.

We will also highlight the importance of community spirit, living together, and citizen participation, as you may have seen with the survey regarding the Dottori Hall and the wonderful activities that town employees organized in 2024.

With these priorities in mind, we can make our community a prosperous place where it is a pleasure to live.

With all my gratitude,

Alain Gauthier

Mayor of Temiscaming

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MARCH BREAK ACTIVITIES

The Town of Temiscaming offers a diverse program for a fun-filled March break! Whether you're with family, friends, or on your own, there's something for everyone to enjoy and make the most of the break.



March 1-9, 2025 | Activity Program

Public skating, swimming all week, and on March 6th: art workshop and activity at the ice trail.

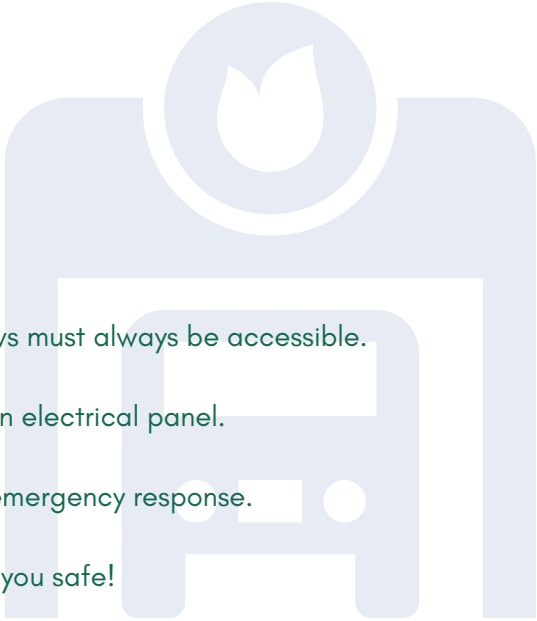
FIRE DEPARTMENT TIPS: MAKE YOUR HOME SAFE

To ensure your safety, it's essential to keep all exits and electrical panels clear, as required by the National Fire Code (NFC 2020).

Here are a few tips to follow:

- Keep all exits from your home clear: doors, balconies, garages and windows must always be accessible.
- Clear snow regularly to avoid obstructions.
- Don't leave any objects or boxes in escape routes or within one meter of an electrical panel.
- Make sure your windows open properly, especially in winter.
- Make sure your civic number is clearly visible from the street, to facilitate emergency response.

By taking these simple steps, you're helping to keep yourself and those around you safe!



TAXATION

Watch for your municipal tax bill the week of February 24, 2025.
Reminder: the first instalment must be paid before March 31, 2025.
For more information, visit our website:
www.temiscaming.net/en/the-town/taxation



AVOID FROZEN PIPES THIS WINTER

Cold weather on the way? Here are a few tips to avoid frozen water problems:

- Let a thin stream of water run through cold areas of your home.
- Insulate exposed pipes to protect them from freezing.
- Going on a trip? Turn off your main water supply (contact the Town if necessary).

A frozen pipe? Warm it up with hot air, never with a flame! If that doesn't work, call us.

Thawing a water inlet takes a lot of work. Prevent problems and avoid costly repairs!



CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

WINTER OVERNIGHT PARKING - WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Since November 1st, the Town of Temiscaming has made two new overnight parking zones available to you :

- Church parking lot (Boucher Street) - 40 spaces
- Philippe Barette Park parking lot - 5 spaces (with electric pay station)

Now that you've had a chance to use them, we'd like to hear what you think!
Have you found the spaces useful? Are you satisfied with this new feature?

Your feedback is valuable in helping us better meet your needs!

Share your opinion on our Facebook page or send us an e-mail!



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