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MAYOR'S MESSAGE – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT | MITK GROUP

Supporting entrepreneurial boldness, here and now

Dear residents,

Economic development does not rely solely on structures or programs. Above all, it depends on **people** – entrepreneurs, ideas taking shape, and citizens who choose to get involved and help their community grow.

Throughout my professional career, both in the industrial sector and in supporting businesses, I have observed one undeniable reality : **successful projects are rarely carried alone**. They are built on strong networks, mentorship, shared expertise, and yes, sometimes financial support – often rooted locally.

This is even more true today. With smaller family networks, more complex regulations, higher start-up costs, and stricter financial requirements than in the past, fewer start-ups can emerge with the help of close contacts alone.

It is this conviction that brought local entrepreneurs together. Their discussions about today's economic development challenges led to the creation of the **MITK Group – Mentorship, Investment, Temiscaming-Kipawa**.

The MITK Group is first and foremost **a network dedicated to supporting** entrepreneurs and project leaders within our region.

Its mission is clear : to provide strategic guidance and, when appropriate, financial support to encourage the start-up, growth, and long-term sustainability of local businesses.

Having personally seen businesses emerge, recover, transform, and grow thanks to the commitment of people from here – sometimes quietly and behind the scenes – I fully recognize the value of such an initiative.

It responds to a very real need : **ensuring entrepreneurs do not face the challenges of starting and growing a business alone**.

Not all members of the **MITK Group** seek the spotlight. Many choose to contribute behind the scenes.

However, the group has appointed representatives to help promote this opportunity for support and mentorship : **Francine Desrochers, Martin Plante, and Julie Bernard** will serve as points of contact.

They will also be introducing themselves on social media in the coming weeks to better connect with entrepreneurs and project leaders in our community.

Anyone with an entrepreneurial idea, anyone who has started developing a business project and finds themselves alone, lacking contacts or support – even financial support – **is encouraged to reach out and start the conversation**. Surrounding yourself with others is often where projects truly gain momentum.

Francine, Martin, and Julie will review your project or idea with you and organize a presentation meeting with a group of experienced entrepreneurs.

As Mayor, I would like to clarify that **I am not part of this private initiative** (although I would gladly have been!). Nonetheless, I salute it with great respect and appreciation.

The **MITK Group** embodies strong civic and entrepreneurial engagement, focused on the future of our region.

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On the municipal side, the Town of Temiscaming continues to strengthen its economic development tools.

We are working to relaunch the Passe-du-Long-Sault Economic Development Corporation with renewed governance, greater autonomy, and, finally, a dedicated general manager. You may have noticed the recent job posting.

At the same time, the Town is revitalizing its housing action plan – an essential initiative to welcome new families, create jobs, and sustain the vitality of our community.

I am convinced that **the complementarity between strong private initiatives like the MITK Group and enhanced municipal tools** will create promising opportunities to stimulate projects, generate employment, and build lasting prosperity.

By relying on the commitment of our citizens, the boldness of our entrepreneurs, and a shared vision for the future, we are building **a dynamic, welcoming, and prosperous** community that reflects the people who live here.

Temiscaming – a great place to live.

With pride and commitment,

Alain Gauthier
Mayor of Temiscaming

A CONCRETE ACTION FOR A GREENER QUEBEC!



The Town of Temiscaming, in collaboration with SORAC, is launching a new service for businesses and institutions in the region : the recovery of end-of-life refrigeration appliances at the designated ecocentre.

This initiative aims to simplify the management of these units while reducing landfill disposal and limiting greenhouse gas emissions. It's a practical, accessible, and environmentally responsible solution – and we encourage all eligible organizations to take advantage of it today.

TAXATION

Please watch for the delivery of your municipal tax bill during the week of February 23, 2026.
Reminder : the first payment must be made before March 31, 2026.

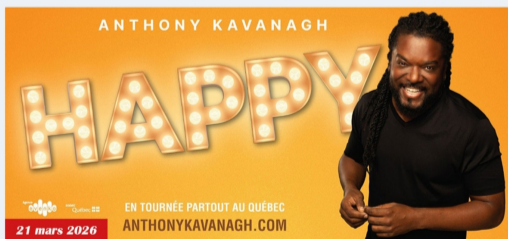
For more information, visit our website:
<https://www.temiscaming.net/en/the-town/taxation>



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AN ACTIVE MARCH BREAK IN TEMISCAMING!

The Town of Temiscaming invites you to enjoy an active, festive and community-minded March Break.
Sports, creativity and fun... there's something for everyone!

MARCH 1ST TO 7 2026 | ACTIVITY PROGRAM

- March 2: "Zero-Waste" Art Workshop with Julie Loyer (ages 6-11) from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. – Registration required
- March 3: "Zero-Waste" Art Workshop with Julie Loyer (ages 12-18) from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. – Registration required
- March 5: Cooking Workshop with Michelle Langlois-Lebel (ages 6-11) from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. – Registration required
- March 6: Friendly hockey game – Sûreté du Québec vs. Firefighters at the new rink in Parc Adrien-Pharand
- March 7: Free show at Dottori Hall at 2:30 p.m.

Full details available on the Facebook event page!