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HAUNTED MUSEUM

The Town would like to express their thanks to members of the Recreation Association and the many volunteers who contributed to a very successful haunted museum on October 29.

Over 325 people went through the museum and \$325 was raised for the town's water park project. Visit the Stanstead Recreation Association Facebook page for more photos.

*Haunted Museum
Volunteers*



CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

The Recreation Association will be travelling around town again this year to locate the "Best Christmas Decorations". This year the whole house and not just the entrance will be eligible. A prize of \$100 will be awarded in each of the three sectors.

Good luck.

The Town of Stanstead asks that Christmas lights be illuminated only on December 1st. We are hoping that the entire town is lit up at the same time for a magical Christmas effect.

STANSTEAD CHRISTMAS MARKET

A Christmas Market will take place on Saturday, December 3 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Granit Central Museum located at 14 Notre-Dame West Boulevard. There will be food and craft tables, live music, a visit from Santa Claus and door prizes. The entire family is welcome. Free admission.

MUNICIPALITY
in Brief



- Join us at Jardin-des-Frontières for the annual Christmas market on November 26 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Over 60 artisans will be present;
- Temporary shelters for commercial or residential use are allowed since October 1st and this until April 30. Shelters must be installed 1.5 meters from the public right-of-way;
- Remember, a parking permit is required for parking a vehicle in one of the three municipal parking lots. To obtain a parking permit, simply go to the Town Hall to pay the \$50 fee for the 2016-2017 winter season;
- Winter Parking since November 1st until April 1st: In order for the Town to facilitate the clearing and care of roads throughout the winter months, citizens are asked to ensure that vehicles parked in private driveways are at least one meter from the sidewalk or the side of the road or curb. It is forbidden to park on municipal roads between the hours of 11 p.m. and 8 a.m.

Information

— MAYOR'S REPORT 2016 —

In compliance with the requirements of section 474.1 of the *Cities and Towns Act*, I hereby report the Town of Stanstead's municipal revenues and expenses for the financial year ending December 31, 2016.

YEAR 2015

Financial statements prepared by accounting firm Raymond Chabot Grant Thornton demonstrate revenues of **\$3,890,930** and expenses of **\$4,084,443** for the 2015 year. The cumulative net amount as of December 31, 2015 indicates a free surplus of **\$675,919** and a reserve surplus of **\$440,327**.

YEAR 2016

For the year 2016, the Council adopted a budget of **\$4,656,276** and has set a general base tax rate of \$0.7086 per \$100 of assessment, a tax rate for businesses of \$1.0188 per \$100 of assessment, a tax rate for industries of \$1.1735 per \$100 of assessment, a tax rate for economic development set at \$0.015 per \$100 of assessment as well as a tax rate for the *Sûreté du Québec* costs of \$0.0943 per \$100 of assessment.

We also had a three-year assessment roll deposit of \$174,605,400 (taxable value) for the years 2016, 2017 and 2018.

The year 2016 should end with a small surplus.

Municipal Elected Representatives Remuneration in 2016

Position	Basic Salary	Expense Allowance	Additional Remuneration (Planning Advisory Committee)
Mayor	\$16,087	\$8,044	\$25 per meeting
Councillor	\$5,362	\$2,681	

* These amounts are indexed upward according to the consumer price index established by Statistics Canada for each fiscal year.

Mayor's remuneration for RCM meetings in 2016

	Salary per meeting	Expense Allowance
Mayor's Council Meetings	\$148.62	\$74.32
Administration Committee	\$203.66	\$101.84
Socioeconomic Development Committee	\$132.12	\$66.04
Public Safety Committee	\$203.66	\$101.84

List of contracts awarded as of October 25, 2016, where the amount is greater than \$25,000

Groupe Ultima <i>Municipal Insurance</i>	\$60,241
Transport Arlie C. Fearon inc. <i>Pick-up/transportation of garbage</i>	\$54,000
Transport Arlie C. Fearon inc. <i>Pick-up/transportation of recyclable materials</i>	\$52,994
Transport Arlie C. Fearon inc. <i>Pick-up/transportation of organic waste</i>	\$35,986
Produits chimiques CCC Ltée <i>Alum for sewage treatment plant</i>	\$42,326
MRC de Memphrémagog <i>Municipal share</i>	\$91,605
Régie intermunicipales de gestion des déchets solides de la région de Coaticook <i>Municipal share</i>	\$75,143

YEAR 2017

The following areas will be part of the town's priorities for 2017:

- Job creation;
- Economic development (industrial and commercial);
- Incentives for new residential construction;
- Visual improvement of the main arteries;
- Tourism development;
- Increase Stanstead's visibility.

We are very proud to have completed several important projects in 2016. These include the renovations to beautify our Town Hall, development of the *Voie des pionniers* project at the Stone Circle, the evaluation by the *Fleurons* committee, which we hope will result in our long awaited 4th Jewel by the end of year, and, in collaboration with Stanstead's Recreational Association and other partners, the installation of a water park at Beebe Memorial Park.

For the coming year, we will continue work to secure our drinking water system and create an electric charging station in partnership with the Ministry of Transport and Hydro-Quebec. We are also planning rehabilitation work for the extension of Industrial Boulevard and, depending on the availability of government grants, the upgrading of our waste water treatment plants.

In closing, I would like to wish you all a wonderful 2017.

Your Mayor,
Philippe Dutil

Information

— PUBLIC NOTICES —

PROVINCE OF QUÉBEC REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF MEMPHRÉMAGOG COUNTY TOWN OF STANSTEAD

PUBLIC NOTICE 2017 Council Meetings Calendar

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that regular Town Council meetings will take place the first Monday of every month at the Town Hall in Stanstead, located at 425 Dufferin Street.

All council meetings are public. Deliberations and decisions are duly consigned in minutes kept at the Town Hall which are available during business hours. These minutes are also published (French version only) on the Town's website for your convenience.

Regular meetings will be held on the following dates for 2017:

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| • January 10 | • May 1 | • September 5 |
| • February 6 | • June 5 | • October 2 |
| • March 6 | • July 3 | • November 14 |
| • April 3 | • August 7 | • December 4 |

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Mtre. Jessica Tanguay
Town Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE ADOPTION OF 2017 BUDGET

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that a special meeting of Town Council will be held on **December 13, 2016** at 6 p.m. at the Town Hall located at 425 Dufferin Street, in Stanstead.

At that special meeting the Council will adopt the 2017 budget and the three-year capital expenditure program. The deliberations of the council and the question period will deal exclusively with the budget and the three-year expenditure program.

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PUBLIC NOTICE REGULARIZATION OF PROPERTY TITLES FOR BIGELOW AND STEVENS STREETS

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the Town of Stanstead seeks to rely on article 72 of *Municipal Powers Act* and become the owner of the following streets, which have been open to public for at least 10 years:

- Lots 5 076 654, 5 076 744 and 5 076 742, *Cadastre du Québec*, Stanstead registration division, matching Stevens Street; and
- Lot 5 076 634, *Cadastre du Québec*, Stanstead registration division, matching Bigelow Street.

Municipal Powers Act Article 72 can be read as follow:

« 72. A road open to public traffic for 10 years or more becomes the property of the local municipality upon the observance of the following formalities prescribed by this paragraph:

- 1° the municipality adopts a resolution identifying the road concerned, either by its cadastral designation if the site of the road corresponds to that of one or more whole lots of the cadastre in force or, otherwise, by a technical description prepared by a land surveyor;
- 2° if applicable, a copy of the technical description, certified by a land surveyor, is filed with the office of the municipality; and

3° the municipality has a notice published twice in a newspaper in its territory. The notice must contain

- a) the full text of this section;
- b) a summary description of the road concerned;
- c) a declaration that the formalities prescribed by subparagraphs 1 and 2 have been observed.

The second publication must be made after the 60th and not later than the 90th day following the first.

If registration is required by law, the municipality submits to the minister responsible for the cadastre a cadastral plan showing both the part of the road that has become its property because of this section and the remaining part. In addition, the municipality must give notice of the deposit to any person whose address has been registered in the land register, but the consent of the creditors or the beneficiary of a declaration of family residence is not required in order to obtain the new cadastral numbering.

The municipality publishes in the land register a statement referring to this section that includes the cadastral description of the land concerned and states that the formalities prescribed in the first three paragraphs have been observed.

A right that third parties might lay claim to the ownership of the site of the road in question is prescribed unless the appropriate recourse is exercised before the competent court within three years after the last publication prescribed in subparagraph 3 of the first paragraph.

The municipality cannot apply this section to a road on which it has levied a tax within the preceding 10 years. »

The Town of Stanstead, by resolution no. 2016-11-7925, has identified the affected streets by their cadastral designation since they are a part of one or many lots of the assessment role in effect. Any document can be reviewed at the Town Hall, located at 425 Dufferin Street, Stanstead, Quebec, J0B 3E2.

In compliance with *Municipal Powers Act* Article 72 al.1 (3) c), the Town of Stanstead's Clerk declares that formalities prescribed by subparagraphs 1 and 2 of the aforementioned article have been observed.

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PUBLIC NOTICE REQUEST FOR A MINOR DEROGATION

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that a request for a minor derogation, number 2016-06, has been made regarding a property located at 15 Stanley Street, Stanstead, lot 5 076 228 of the *Cadastre du Québec*, Registration division of Stanstead.

The request is to allow for the side margins of an existing shed on this lot to be 0.56 meters, despite article 7.7 entitled "*Normes d'implantation*" of Zoning By-law no. 2012-URB-02 which requires the minimum side margins to be 1.5 meters.

Any person objecting to the minor derogation will have a chance to be heard at the council meeting that will be held on December 5, 2016 at 7 p.m., at 425 Dufferin Street, Stanstead.

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