



COUNCIL COMMUNIQUE – JUNE 2008

This month, Council Communiqué will relate some of the happenings within your Town's Public Works Department (also known as "Technical Services"). You should be pleased to know that, after over one and a half year of negotiations; we have reached and signed an agreement with the union representing our blue-collar employees. Everyone involved, Town Council, the Town administration and the employees are happy with the new agreement.

Work is progressing well with the new curb and pathway along the western section of Lakeshore Road. We are correcting drains and drainage lines in the area at the same time. Hopefully this work will be completed by the time you read this article.

In keeping with the Town's schedule of replacing and updating vehicles and equipment, we have recently issued a tender for the replacement of our 20-year-old dump truck with a new 7-tonne truck equipped with a 4-season dump/spreader box. This will enable our Public Works Department to continue to serve our needs in their normal efficient manner.

Shortly, the offices in our Public Works building at 300 Surrey will be open to the public during regular business hours. We will be moving some staff from Town Hall to these offices. We feel that these changes will better serve our citizens. You may also have noticed construction activity around the Public Works Building. We have been doing some renovations to upgrade these rather aged facilities for our employees and to improve the storage space for the Town's records. This work is expected to be completed by the end of June.

The summer season has arrived. Please remember that the regular pickup of branches ends on June 20th. Branches are not to be left at the side of the road after that date until pickup resumes on August 25th. If you have other debris that requires a special pickup, please call Public Works. There is a charge for this service.

Our Public Works staff is looking forward to the Baie d'Urfé Days event and will, as usual, play an important role in this year's festivities.

Remember that you can call (514) 630-1234 after hours for any emergency requiring the attention of our Public Works Department.

Hope you have a great summer.

Wayne Belvedere
Councillor