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# A WORD FROM THE MAYOR



**Joanne Labadie**

Mayor of the  
Municipality of Pontiac

Dear residents,

It is with pleasure that I introduce to you the Municipality of Pontiac's new electronic newsletter.

Since the beginning of the pandemic, we all know that this situation has brought its share of challenges to the operations of the municipal administration, but this pandemic has also brought many positive changes for the Municipality.

First, we were obliged to stop distributing the paper edition of the newsletter and the response from citizens has been very positive, as the number of subscriptions has increased significantly, with over 61 new subscribers in less than 2 months!

The pandemic situation has allowed us to bring the Municipality up to date with the use of new technologies.

A new newsletter concept, but also a new website, a new image and over the next few months, the Municipality will take another step with the integration of a new technological platform to increase accessibility to municipal services for citizens. This is the platform « **Voilà** ».

With this « **Voilà** » platform, citizens will be at the heart of municipal services and will be able to create his or her own profile with the administration. Communication between the citizen and the Municipality will therefore be greatly facilitated.

« **Voilà** » will allow you to centralize all municipal services in a "Personalized Citizen File". For example, you will have the possibility to register with the Recreation Department to find out what the upcoming activities will be. You will also be able to access your tax account or make online requests. Consequently, you will have to create your user account in the platform, according to your needs. By subscribing to the « **Voilà** » portal, you will have access to information at your fingertips.

So today we are pleased to launch the all-new concept of your Municipal Bulletin. Although this is the first edition, it is important to note that the August edition is the last before the election is called on September 17, 2021. The publication of the October edition will continue in the same format, but the content will be focused more on the municipal election in order to keep you well-informed of its progress.

Democracy is at the heart of our priorities; let's encourage political involvement! I invite you to run for office; your voice makes a difference. We need elected officials because they represent the population and make decisions on the orientations and priorities of the Municipality!

In closing, I would like to wish you all a wonderful summer. Let's take advantage of these precious moments of deconfinement in order to refuel with the people who are dear to us...





# UPDATE ON THE PANDEMIC AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES

## Town Hall – progressive return considered

Following the latest government directives regarding the current pandemic situation, the Municipality is considering a gradual return of its employees to the Town Hall. This reintegration will not take place before the start of the new school year this fall, as the Municipality intends to remain cautious, facing the possibility of the arrival of a new wave. Although no date has yet been confirmed, the Municipality will keep you informed of the situation.

Municipal employees who do not work in the operations of an essential service continue to provide service to you to the best of their ability:

## Phased into the green zone (currently in effect):

- Rental of halls (indoor) for events or social activities: Maximum allowed is 25 people (social distancing and mask).
- Rental of outdoor sports facilities (sports and leisure): Maximum allowed is a group of 50 people (sports practice with brief contact, social distancing and mask).
- The Municipality invites you to consult the applicable [government guidelines](#).

## Resumption of bookings

- Considering the various relaxation guidelines to come in stages presented by the Government of Quebec, the Municipality of Pontiac is allowing the booking of its infrastructures to resume, in accordance with the applicable sanitary guidelines:



## Bookings

**Step 1:** Consult the Municipality's [Municipal infrastructure rental policy](#), in which states that **you are responsible for cleaning the premises after use**, failing which the Municipality may have the work done at the tenant's expense.

**Step 2:** Complete the online [reservation form](#) in which you agree, among other things, to respect the government's health guidelines.

**Step 3:** Send your completed reservation form to the attention of Mrs. Elza Sylvestre  
[sylvestre.elza@municipalitepontiac.ca](mailto:sylvestre.elza@municipalitepontiac.ca)



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## Libraries

The Municipality has proceeded with the complete reopening of the library services as of Monday June 7th:

### Luskville

**Hours of operation**

Wednesdays from 6 pm to 7:30

**By email**

[admluskville@crsbpo.qc.ca](mailto:admluskville@crsbpo.qc.ca)

**By phone**

819-455-2370

### Quyon

**Hours of operation**

Mondays, Wednesdays, Saturdays:  
1 pm to 4 pm

Thursdays: 6 pm to 8:30 pm

**By email**

[biblioquyon@gmail.com](mailto:biblioquyon@gmail.com)

**By phone**

819-458-1227

### Reminder !

Visitors arriving on the premises **must** wear face coverings and follow the instructions that will be indicated on the premises.

# NEWS FROM THE MUNICIPALITY



As mentioned at the beginning of this Municipal Bulletin by the Mayor of Pontiac, Mrs. Joanne Labadie, the Municipality has followed the current trend and has committed, over the past year, to the use of new technologies due, among other things, to the current health crisis.

A new website, a new corporate image, and soon, a new technological platform called « **Voilà** » to increase citizens' accessibility to municipal services.

This platform will allow citizens to create their individual profile in order to centralize all municipal services into a "Personalized Citizen File". Citizens will, among other things, be able to register for recreation services to find out about upcoming activities, access their tax account, or make requests online.

The integration of this « **Voilà** » platform is planned over the next few months. The Municipality will keep you informed of the official launch date

## NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

The next regular meeting of the municipal council is scheduled for August 24, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. via videoconference.

The guidelines will be published on the Municipality's website.

## JOB OFFERS

The Municipality of Pontiac is looking for candidates to fill the following positions:



Building Technician



Director,  
Finance Department



Director,  
Public Works Department

You will find the job postings on the [Municipality's website](#)

You have until **4:00 pm** on **August 6th** to apply.

# NEWS ABOUT COMMUNITY LIFE

## PONTIAC MARKET


The organization Les Blés d'Or of Luskville (Golden age club) will hold the Pontiac Market in August and September and all local talent is invited to take part in the events.

	August 7, 2021 <b>9:30 am to 3:30 pm</b>	Luskville Community Centre 2024, route 148, Pontiac (Luskville)		September 4, 2021 <b>9:30 am to 3:30 pm</b>	Quyon Community Centre 2, chemin du Ferry, Pontiac (Quyon)
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Les Blés d'Or invite you to reserve your table now [marchepontiacmarket@gmail.com](mailto:marchepontiacmarket@gmail.com) and/or by contacting Mrs Jennifer Larose at 819-458-2233.

## ART PONTIAC


Courses (registration is required)

 August 5th  
**Watercolour painting of birds**

[Cours / Course | Facebook](#)  
[Dessin, plume et encre](#)  
[et aquarelles d'oiseaux - artPontiac](#)

 August 9th  
**Hand-made felt cards**

[Cours / Course | Facebook](#)  
[Cartes en feutre faites main](#)  
[- artPontiac](#)

 August 10th to 13th  
**Collagraph**

[Cours / Course | Facebook](#)  
[Gravure et collagraphie](#)  
[- artPontiac](#)

Exposition (admission is free)  
August 20th, 6 pm

 **Works on paper**

[Vernissage | Facebook](#)  
[Œuvres sur papier - artPontiac](#)

 **Mixed mediums**

[Vernissage | Facebook](#)  
[Mélange - artPontiac](#)

 **Show time**

[Vernissage | Facebook](#)  
[En piste - artPontiac](#)

## DES COLLINES SENIORS' ROUNDTABLE

### Peer group for caregivers:

- **Tuesday, August 24, 2021 at 6:30 pm.**  
ZOOM platform.
- **Tuesday, August 31, 2021 at 1:00 pm in person (sanitary and safety distances)**  
Outside in the garden.  
1694, Montée de la Source à Cantley. Call to register (10 people max.).
- **Tuesday September 14, 2021 at 6:30 pm.**  
ZOOM platform.  
Call to register and to receive ZOOM link.
- **Tuesday September 21, 2021 at 1:00 pm.**  
Conference call  
(you need to have a long-distance plan. Thank you.)

To register, please contact the Seniors' Roundtable at 1-855 662-4637 ext. 242 (toll free) [sosprochesaidants@gmail.com](mailto:sosprochesaidants@gmail.com)

## TABLE DE DÉVELOPPEMENT SOCIAL DES COLLINES-DE-L'OUTAOUAIS

The Table de développement social des Collines-de-l'Outaouais is organizing a **VIRTUAL FORUM** on housing in the MRC des Collines-de-l'Outaouais on **October 7, 2021**.

If you are interested in the challenges related to housing, the Table de développement social des Collines-de-l'Outaouais invites you to join them in finding solutions to better meet the needs of the territory!

Stay tuned for the next publications, the virtual forum is coming soon!  
<https://www.tdsco.org/>

# NEWS FROM PUBLIC WORKS

A section of de la Montagne Road, which is in the Luskville area, will be completely closed to traffic as of Monday, August 2, 2021 until October 5, 2021.

The Municipality will carry out major works consisting of excavation, changing culverts and paving the road.

The work will be done by Les Entreprises G.N.P.

The targeted section of road for repair work is located between 1874 to 1887 de la Montagne Road.

Access to residences will be maintained on both sides of the work area.

The detour will be via the following roads: East on Elm Road, North on Terry Fox Road, East on Bailie Road, North on Daly Road, West on Kelly Road, North on Hollow Glen Road, West on de la Montagne Road.

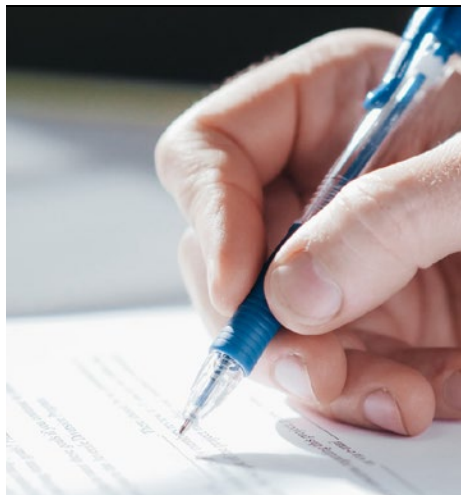
For the safety of road users and workers, compliance with the signage that will be put in place is essential.

We will notify you of the reopening of this section of de la Montagne Road as soon as possible.

The Municipality invites citizens to address their questions and/or comments to its Public Works Department in order to keep the work running smoothly.

The Municipality is working to improve its local infrastructure and thanks you for your cooperation in that respect.



**Pierre Said**

Director General

Anyone interested in any of these positions is invited to contact Mrs. Manon Papillon

[papillon.manon@municipalitepontiac.ca](mailto:papillon.manon@municipalitepontiac.ca)

# Élections 2021

## **ELECTORAL STAFF REQUIRED - 2021 ELECTION**

As in all municipalities in Quebec, an election will be held in the Municipality of Pontiac on Sunday, November 7, 2021. The Municipal Elections and Referendums Act also provides for an advance poll (AP) to be held on Sunday, October 31, 2021. Other dates may be added. Several positions must therefore be filled on each of these days.

As such, the Returning Officer, Mr. Pierre Said, is currently seeking individuals to fill the following positions

- Scrutineers
- Secretaries
- Reception officers
- Information and law enforcement officers (PRIMO)
- Members at the identity verification table