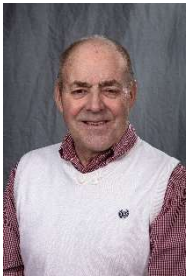




## **MAYOR'S GREETINGS**

Dear citizens, we are delighted to offer you with this wonderful 2025 calendar. I would like to thank all the amateur photographers who participated by submitting their photos. Our Township, I'm sure you'll agree, is full of breathtaking places and landscapes.



2025 will be a municipal election year throughout the province of Quebec. We invite anyone interested to submit their candidacy for one of the positions on the municipal council. Council members are expected to represent the interests of the community, and can advise Council on specific issues. They may be appointed to committees, or assigned specific files to work on, in order to support the Council in its decisions. Would you like to be part of this team? I strongly encourage you to consider running in the upcoming elections.

For 2025, we have drawn up a list of priority works to be carried out. During this work, you can expect an increase in the number of trucks on the road, as this work generally requires the delivery of granular materials, machinery or even calcium. We are aware that this can be problematic for peace and quiet, but this is a temporary situation for necessary work. We thank you in advance for your understanding.

I would like once again, to take this opportunity to thank our administrative staff, Cindy Jones, General Manager, Sylvie Gosselin, Receptionist and Administrative Secretary, our road supervisor, Jason Badger, who looks after the maintenance of our roads and parks, and our seasonal employee, Donald Beard, who was in charge of the parks this past summer season. Thank you all for being here this past year. Your work is greatly appreciated.

And, of course, thank you to our councillors for their involvement, because without them, we wouldn't be able to offer our various services properly.

On behalf of the council members and the entire team at the Township of Melbourne, I would like to offer you our best wishes for a happy, prosperous and, above all, healthy 2025.

## **NEWBORN CELEBRATION**

If you've welcomed a newborn between January 1<sup>st</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024, and want to take part in the celebration to be held on Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025 you must register **before January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025**.

To do so, contact us at the Town Hall at 819 826-3555 or via our website at [www.melbournecanton.ca](http://www.melbournecanton.ca) in the leisure and culture section.

Many gifts and surprises will be offered to participating families. We will also take this opportunity to take a few photos.

The event begins at 10:30 a.m. at the *Centre des Loisirs de Richmond* (820 Gouin).

This celebration is organized by the Town of Richmond in collaboration with the municipalities of Cleveland Township and Melbourne Township.



## **STATUTORY HOLIDAY**

The municipal office will be closed for the holidays from December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 to January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 inclusively. We'll be back on Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup>.

During this period, if you have any problems on the roads, please call 5-1-1 or 310-4141.

## **RECYCLING YOUR CHRISTMAS TREES**

Come and drop off your Christmas tree to be recycled, shredded and transformed into mulch, compost and, in some cases, essential oils.

A drop-off point will be set up near the municipal garage. Be sure to bring them in before January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025, stripped of all decorations, balls, icicles, hooks, etc.

Don't put them on the side of the road, as they won't be collected.



## **GARBAGE AND RECYCLING BINS – WHERE – WHEN – HOW?**

To make sure that your bins are emptied, please follow these instructions:

- ★ Place your wheeled bin at the edge of the public road, **the day before** the collection day, **or before 7 a.m.** of the scheduled morning.
- ★ **Wheels and handles** must **face the house**, otherwise the bin will **not be emptied**.
- ★ **Never place** materials on the lid of the bin.
- ★ Leave a distance of 1 m (3 ft.) between any other obstacle (tree, fence, car, etc.).
- ★ Bags, boxes or any items placed on the ground will not be collected.
- ★ To **facilitate snow removal**, please keep your bins off the public road.

If you notice the next day that your bin has been forgotten, please contact us as soon as possible.

## **WINTER CARNIVAL 2025**

The *Loisirs de Richmond* is preparing for the annual Winter Carnival in collaboration with Melbourne Township and Cleveland Township.

To take advantage of a more favorable time of year for snow, the Winter Carnival has been postponed by one month. It will now take place on Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 on the *Place des Loisirs* (next to the arena).

Mark your calendar to take advantage of this opportunity to play outdoors and meet new people.

More details to come.

## **FREE ACTIVITIES TO COME**

In collaboration with the *Maison de la famille Les Arbrisseaux*, there will be two different activities for children from the Township of Melbourne and surrounding municipalities.

These activities will be held at the Town Hall community center on Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup>. Registration required at 819-628-0077.

More information to come.

## **REMINDERS**

- ★ Calendars are available for \$10 each. Hurry, quantities are limited.
- ★ **Garbage collection** on Monday, December 30<sup>th</sup>, and Monday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025.
- ★ **Recycling collection** on Thursday December 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024, and Wednesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025.
- ★ 2025 first council meeting will take place on Monday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 p.m.

