







Dear citizens,

I hope everyone is doing well and enjoying the arrival of the festive season, which is fast approaching!

I would like to take this opportunity to share with you a few news items from our municipality, and to express my gratitude to our community, our valued collaborators, and our administrative team.

First of all, I want to thank everyone who contributed to or participated in our municipal events this year. Your contribution and commitment to our community is part of what makes Lac-Tremblant-Nord such a special place. Whether it be through your active participation in our events or through your ongoing support, your commitment is essential to our collective success. Once again this year, the Environment Day and the Regatta/BBQ were a success thanks to you, and despite a storm during the BBQ, the rest of the event took place under clear skies and in a friendly atmosphere.

I also want to take the time to congratulate Mr. Jacques Graton, recipient of the 2024 Volunteer of the Year award in our municipality! « Jacko » is a pillar of our municipality, always ready to lend a hand, whether on our lakes, on the hiking trails or for any municipal initiative, which is why I want to highlight his undeniable contribution to our community; thank you, Jacko, for your constant and exemplary involvement!

Finally, I want to highlight the remarkable work of our administrative team. Although we are a small municipality, our obligations are similar to those of a large city, and our part-time employees, Stephanie, Marie-Lise, Josée and Nicolas, go above and beyond every day to meet our needs.

Their dedication to our community and their professionalism are essential to our operations and deserve to be recognized. On behalf of Council, we are infinitely grateful for all their hard work.

On a more personal note, I was honoured to receive the Nature Ambassador 2024 award at the Rendez-vous de la Conservation organized by Éco-corridors laurentiens on November 13.

I want to warmly thank Éco-corridors laurentiens for the honour of awarding me this prize, which reflects the collective work of everyone who strives to protect our environment in the MRC des Laurentides and Lac-Tremblant-Nord. I am proud to contribute to these conservation initiatives and to be able to count on the commitment of our community and our various partners to preserve the natural beauty of our region!

In closing, I would like to proudly announce that in October 2024, the municipality officially submitted its project proposal for the creation of a protected area in Lac-Tremblant-Nord as part of the Quebec government's call for projects to increase protected areas in Quebec.

The municipality's protected area project also includes a conservation component on private land, to be achieved through the creation of a conservation land trust (fiducie d'utilité sociale or FUS) into which the municipality will transfer land it owns in order to protect it in perpetuity. The creation of the FUS, planned for early 2025, aims to recognize five (5) municipal lots as « nature reserves » or « voluntary conservation areas » (target area: 1.21 km2).

We will keep you informed of the next steps for the project, and we will provide everyone with a full update on the project's progress after the holiday season.

I wish you all a holiday season filled with happiness and precious moments with family and friends. Take care and make the most of this time of rest and sharing!

With all my gratitude and best wishes,

## Kim Meyer and your Council

