



## Domaine Alpine Homeowners Association – 2020 Letter to the Members

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Good day to everyone,

Ours is a structured and constructive association and has been connecting our community for 45 years. Our mission is to encourage social connections, protect our environment and ensure the continuity of our lake with its two dams. We need your ideas, your enthusiasm and your implication.

Unfortunately, given the need for physical distancing due to the COVID-19 outbreak, we have been unable to organize the 2020 Annual General Meeting. As such, the meeting has been postponed to a later date.

**Our association has its own bilingual website which can be accessed at [www.domainealpine.ca](http://www.domainealpine.ca)**

Updates are presented under the following tabs:

Association:

- Definition, mission, objectives and obligations of the association

Regulations:

- Rules and regulations of the association

Documents:

- 2020-2021 projected budget
- 2019-2020 financial statements
- 2020 annual letter
- Minutes of previous annual meetings

Environment:

- Lac des Pins environmental study
- Swimming water analysis certificate
- The “sopfeu” (danger index for exterior fires)

Dam:

- Information regarding dams X0005112 (at the beach) and X0005113 (on Pioneer)
- Security study of our dams, retained water management plan and emergency measures plan
- Geotechnical study

**Dues**

Please refer to the attached dues payment form for the amount of your yearly dues. We request that, as in previous years, you pay your dues **promptly** after receiving this letter, at the latest **July 1, 2020**. You can now make your payment by direct deposit at **Caisse populaire Sainte-Agathe-des-Monts transit 30190-815 account # 0817387**. Our objective for 2020 is 120 residential dues, 50 lots and all the rental dues.

**Finances (Message from the Treasurer, René Lavoie)**

As of April 1, the association had a total of \$14,366.35 in its account. The same number of dues was paid as last year – 92. We received \$7,180 in dues, \$3,300 for the dam fund and \$925 in donations. Thank you!

**Important Reminder:** For those who wish to transfer money to our account directly, **please email me at [associationalpine1972@yahoo.ca](mailto:associationalpine1972@yahoo.ca) to inform me of your deposit**, as our bank does not forward the names of the depositors. Thank you for your cooperation. For more information please consult our website at [www.domainealpine.ca](http://www.domainealpine.ca).

**Dams on Lac des Pins**

During our June 8, 2019 annual meeting, we agreed that the most appropriate approach to ensure the sustainability of our lake and its two dams was to transfer the dams, their responsibilities and maintenance to the municipality of Saint-Adolphe-d'Howard.

The Board of Directors of the Association continued its discussions with the Municipality and obtained the latter's agreement to proceed with the transfer of the land required for the repair and upgrading of the dams by the Municipality.

Considering that the extent of the work to be performed will only be known once it has been carried out, it was agreed that the Association would transfer, for the amount of \$1.00, the entire lot 4 125 158 (being the Lac des Pins) as well as lots 4 125 184 and 4 126 239. Once the repair work has been completed, the Municipality will proceed to transfer the lake back to the Association (excluding the parts where the dams are located), as well as parts of lots 4 125 184 and 4 126 239 (i.e., those parts of the lots not required for repair work).

The Municipality will adopt a loan by-law in order to finance all the work required, and a sectorial tax will be levied on all Domaine Alpine properties to cover the repayment of this loan by-law.

In summary, once the fiscal year is over, the Municipality of Saint-Adolphe-d'Howard will become the owner of the dams and will assume all obligations and responsibilities related to them. Lac des Pins will remain the private property of the Domaine Alpine Homeowners Association. Only Domaine Alpine owners will have access to the lake and beach.



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We believe that this solution satisfies the needs and expectations of the Association members, and are convinced that it will ensure the sustainability of both dams as well as contributing to maintaining and enhancing the quality of our natural, social and financial environment.

The schedule for the work is not yet known, but rest assured that we will do everything in our power to ensure that the period selected will guarantee respect for the lake's natural environment, its fauna and flora, as well as minimizing the impacts on our use of the lake and the beach.

We will keep you informed of the progress of this file through our website as well as on the notice board near the beach entrance.

### **Quality of Lake Water**

Once again our swimming water has been rated "A" ("excellent"). The bacteriological analysis was performed in the summer of 2019 by *Laboratoire Bio-Services* (certified by the *Ministère du Développement durable, de l'Environnement et de Lutte contre les changements climatiques* (MDDELCC)).

### **Respect for the Environment**

As usual, we request that you keep the beach and association property clean and in good condition so we can all enjoy the great environment offered by the Domaine Alpine. **Please act responsibly!**

### **Summer Volunteers Required**

The association needs volunteers to carry out weekly maintenance work during the summer season. For those who are interested and available, please use the registration form to let us know.

### **Board of Directors**

You will find below the list of Board members. The coordinates of some of the board members can be found on the association website.

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| • Claude Théberge  | President      |
| • Denis Langlois   | Vice-president |
| • René Lavoie      | Treasurer      |
| • Lise Bujold      | Secretary      |
| • Francine Gagnon  | Director       |
| • Donald Desabrais | Director       |
| • Marc Hervieux    | Director       |
| • Andy Myron       | Director       |

### **2020 Events Calendar**

Regarding the activities planned for 2020 (general assembly, beach chores, swimming as well as the summer festivities), we will follow the recommendation of the Municipality of Saint-Adolphe d'Howard to suspend all sporting or cultural events until August 31, 2020. In the meantime, be careful, take care of yourself and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Claude Théberge, President