Municipality of Hatley Township



List of initiatives

- Implementation of a subsidy program for the purchase of rain barrels
- Renovation of city hall
- Less frequent waste pickup
- Creation of a green patrol to raise awareness among residents about recycling and composting
- Promotion of household composting (awareness campaign and subsidy for compost bin purchases)
- Implementation of curbside organic waste pickup
- Creation of a partnership with the Régie intermunicipale de gestion des déchets solides de la région de Coaticook (RIGDSRC) to make the ecocentre available to residents
- Adoption of a by-law to reduce vehicle idling
- Implementation of a public transportation service
- Publication of the municipality's monthly newsletter online and implementation of a signup system for the paper version
- Paperless council
- Implementation of a subsidy program for the purchase of cloth diapers
- Installation of water meters in every new building at the builder's expense, to levy fees based on water use
- Adoption of a by-law prohibiting the connection of downspouts or French drains to the sewer network
- Decreased pressure in the drinking water distribution network
- Subsidy program for the purchase of low-flow shower heads or water-saving devices for toilets
- Construction of a new, central, and energy-efficient building (services and sports and leisure)
- Consideration of the implementation of combined compost, waste, and recycling pickup for the next waste management tendering process
- Eco-driving training for municipal employees
- Installation of a video-conferencing system at city hall for employees and community groups, to avoid unnecessary travel
- Implementation of a tool to monitor the fuel consumption of each of the municipality's vehicles and other motorized equipment
- Increased public awareness of grass-cycling
 - Availability of recycling and compost bins in public spaces
 - Feasibility study on a by-law to levy a per-capita waste production fee
 - Improvement of the park-and-ride lot to promote carpooling
- Promotion of the scrapping of old vehicles
- Study of residents' travel patterns to offer a public transportation service that caters to their needs

- Implementation of an awareness campaign to reduce vehicle idling
- Identification of environmental requirements for events held on municipal land or subsidized by the municipality
- Updating of the development policy for developers to integrate environmental aspects
- Adoption of a purchasing and procurement policy as part of calls for tenders, to promote energy efficiency and environmentally responsible purchases
- Promotion of the Défi Climat program among the municipality's partners and employees, and among companies and residents
- Drafting of a guidebook and by-law to promote appropriate wood heating practices
- Subsidy program for the planting of shrubs along riparian buffer strips as well as on land prone to erosion and in new developments
- Use of compost to replace fertilizer and pesticides (natural and synthesized)

