

## Dear citizens of Dalhousie

The members of the Municipal Council and the staff would like to wish you a great spring season. As you have probably heard, local governance reform is now underway in New Brunswick and our municipality is undergoing a restructuring of its entity. The merging of the communities of Dalhousie Junction, Point La Nim, Dalhousie, Charlo, Blackland, New Mills, and Benjamin River will create a new town, of about 5 550 in population on January 1, 2023.

The new town will be composed of 3 rural districts with their own entities. The new town will need a new name before May 15. A letter will be sent to our citizens, asking for a name proposal.

## The new districts will be:

- West district: Dalhousie Junction and a section of Dalhousie;
- Center district: Greater Dalhousie and Eastern section of Dalhousie
- East district: Charlo, Blackland, New Mills, and Benjamin River.

Residents will keep their postal addresses.

Elections will be taking place on November 28 to establish the new municipal council of the new town. Electors of each district will elect two councillors for their representation on the new municipal council. The new mayor will be elected at large.

Normand Pelletier (Mayor) and Lisa Arseneault (Councillor) have been working with the transition team since January in order to facilitate the restructuring of our local governance.

Once again, we wish you a great spring season.

Normand Pelletier & Lisa Arseneault