

Minutes of the Verco R2 Committee meeting of 26.6.2020

1. Latest Status of Contributions

95 people have currently paid (4'750 francs), including half a dozen new members. 13 people have not yet paid their dues. Andreas will send them a reminder.

2. SA Tourisme Vercorin

- The Creux du Lavioz project is quite advanced. This place will be primarily intended for families and children. Here is a list of the planned infrastructures:
 - o Covered conveyor belt, in several stages, for skiing and cycling
 - o Passage from the top of the conveyor belt to easily reach the gondola station
 - o Escalator next to the Belle-Crête house to reach the Creux de Lavioz from the Residence/gondola station
 - o Installation of rails for a mechanical sledge
 - o Wading pool with water from the “bisse” (mountain brook)
 - o Installation of bleachers towards the tennis court for shows
 - o Climbing wall / ice wall next to the restaurant
 - o Minigolf would also be moved to the Creux du Lavioz.
- The Avouintsettes project (playground behind Virage sport) would be intended for sports (football, hockey, bowling etc). Some members of the Board would prefer that it remain a relaxation area. The work will be much more extensive than the Creux de Lavioz.
- On the whole, the Creux du Lavioz project seems quite reasonable and in line with everyone's proposals & expectations.
- On the other hand, for larger projects, it is essential to complete them with an energy efficiency and compensation analysis, something which has not been presented by the Municipality.
- Jacques informs us that the conveyor belt to go up to the Crêt du Midi will be built this summer. Once again, the question of the energy efficiency and compensation analysis was raised...in a rather energetic way! On this subject, we were also reminded of the fairly recent installation of a gas network in Vercorin when, just about everywhere else in Switzerland, attempts are being made to replace gas by renewable energy sources.

3. Water, Refuse and Sewerage Taxes

Based on information from the Commune of Val d'Anniviers, the taxes in Vercorin are about 200 francs higher than in the Val d'Anniviers (700-800 francs vs. 550 francs). The difference is explained by the variable part, which is 30% of the amount paid by permanent residents in the Commune of Val d'Anniviers. This is a gesture which has all its symbolic importance. We will discuss this issue at our next meeting with the Municipal Authorities.

4. Miscellaneous

- We do not consider the advantage booklet - 20 vouchers at 2 francs each and not cumulative - to be the “right” solution. If we take the example of a family meal costing 150 francs and then receiving a reduction of 2 francs, it is almost ridiculous and makes one think of rationing coupons! This booklet is valid until October 31st and we feel it is urgent to find another solution.
- The development society will meet on July 17th and Martine will represent us there.
- The R2 meeting with the prefect will take place on July 4th and Michka will represent us.
- Each R2 who rents his property must pay, in addition to the tourist tax, a tourist promotion tax, which obviously does not encourage him/her to rent his/her apartment. This is another subject to be discussed at the next meeting with the Commune.
- It would be desirable that the Commune ensures that the path around the Mont remains accessible from the top of the Mont by keeping the small existing paths passable.

5. Next Committee meeting: **Friday, July 31 at 8:00 PM at La Bergère** (the Salle Bourgeoisiale is occupied!!)

Cordially and good beginning of summer

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