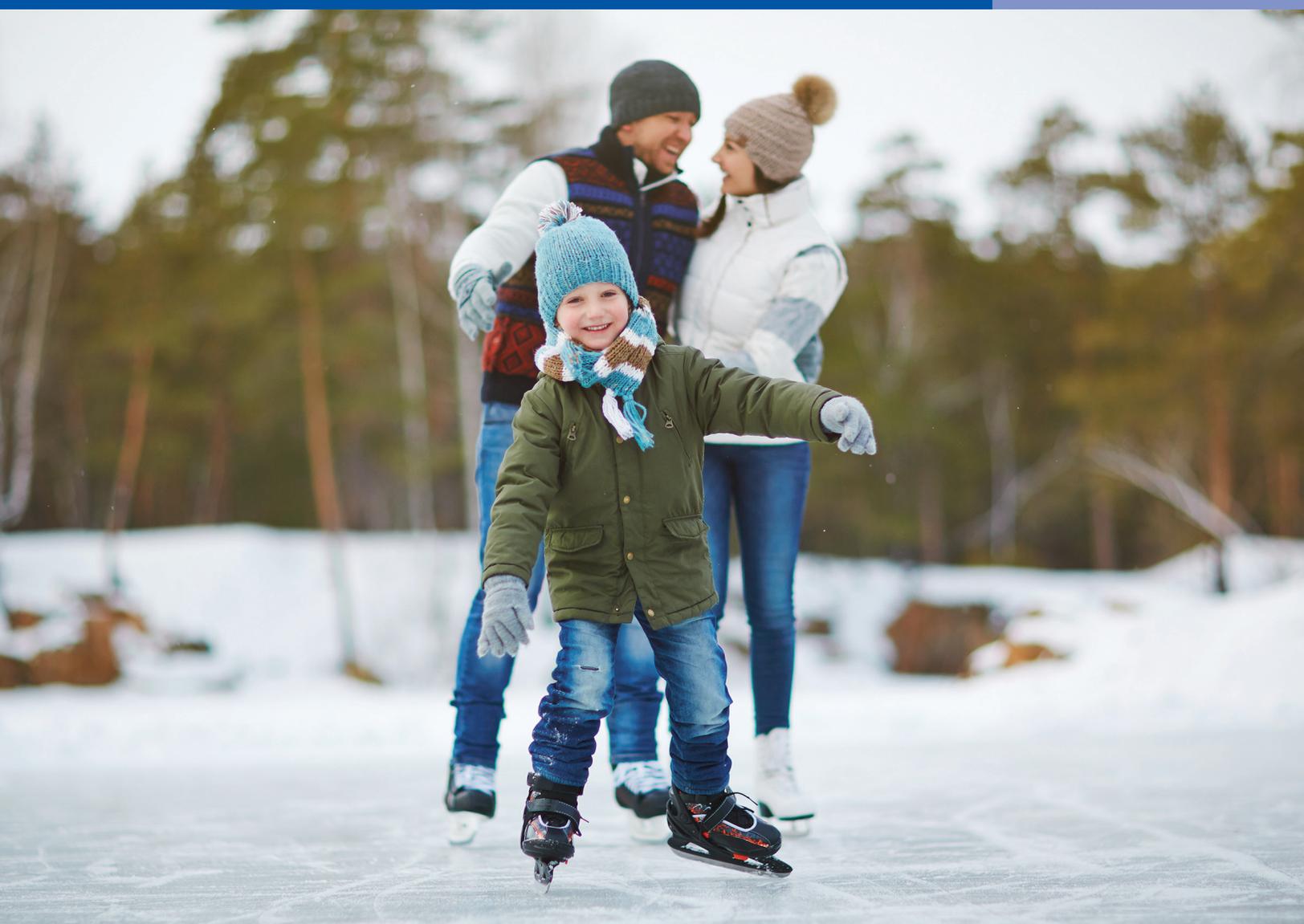


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TOWN HALL HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday to Thursday:
8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 12:45 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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**FOR ANY EMERGENCY
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Events that qualify as emergencies are:

- Broken pipe, water main, sump pump
- Colour in the water or odor of the water
- Lack of water or drop in water pressure
- Sewer or sump covers removed, displaced or broken
- Sewer back-ups
- Street lighting
- Potholes



First and foremost, I would like to wish you a Happy New Year and offer my best for a healthy and pleasant winter season—a welcome reprieve after almost three years of pandemic restrictions.

On December 13, Council adopted the 2023 operating budget and the three-year Capital Works Program (CWP) 2023-2024-2025. When we prepared this budget, we had to deal with two major impacts of the new 2023-2025 property assessment roll: the increase in our share of expenses to be paid to the Agglomeration, and the assessment variations within our territory.

It was a major challenge to maintain the quality of our services and cover the increase in Agglomeration expenses as well as local operating expenses, while keeping the final tax bill below the inflation threshold for all property owners. But we did it!

We are building on our momentum to implement the projects identified in the CWP, and which are in line with the strategic plan's four main orientations, as adopted by Council at the beginning of our mandate: heritage, environment, community life and mobility.

Regarding the environment, we will pursue the tree planting program with the non-profit organization GRAME. In terms of infrastructure, Council will continue to work on the rehabilitation and/or replacement of drinking water pipes in the network,

as well as on the completion of the aqueduct network on the northern sector of Senneville Road.

To support community life, we will focus on the development of Parc du Souvenir, the replacement of playground equipment, the creation of a dog park, and the rehabilitation of the multi-game surface of the skating rink at Senneville Park. For mobility, we will conduct a traffic study, add a paved shoulder on sections of Senneville Road, and redesign the Pacific/Ste-Anne/Anciens-Combattants intersection in collaboration with Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue.

Lastly, we are advancing our discussions with the Communauté métropolitaine de Montréal (CMM) to obtain funding for the acquisition of the McKenzie Avenue North lots for conservation purposes.

In closing, I want to encourage you to enjoy the snow and crisp cold of these winter months—and do think about coming out and appreciating our skating rinks and trails, as well as the nearby cross-country ski trails at the Morgan Arboretum and Cap-Saint-Jacques Nature Park.

Your Mayor,

Julie Brisebois



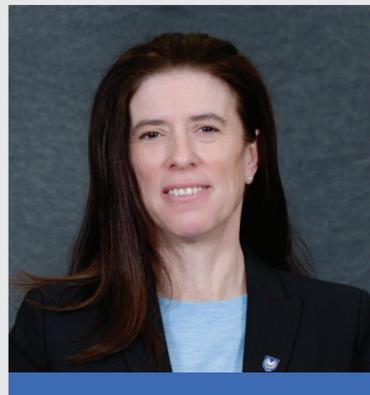
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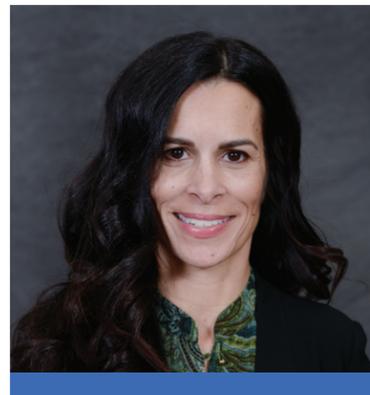
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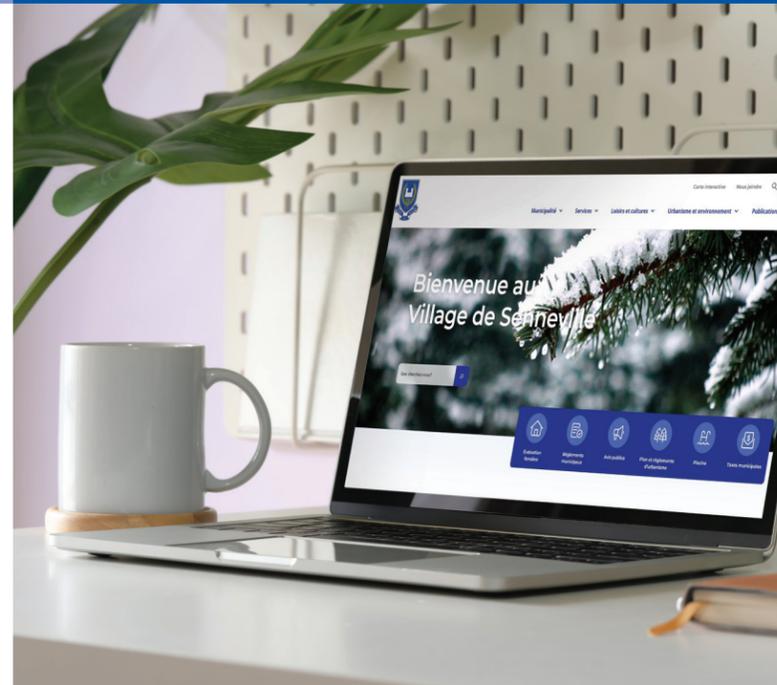
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NEW WEBSITE FOR THE VILLAGE!

We are proud to announce that we are currently working on a complete redesign of our website.

The design of the new site will ensure easier navigation and will be more secure and user-friendly.

SUPPORT THE MUNICIPALITY
BY JOINING THE SENNEVILLE
FACEBOOK PAGE!



FLOOD PREPARATIONS

As of March 1, 2023, the municipality will be conducting continuous surveillance of certain flood-prone sections of the territory to ensure the maintenance of infrastructures. Affected citizens should ensure they are prepared and have the contents of the 72-hour emergency kit on hand.

[Water flood surveillance](#)

[How to prepare at home](#)

FOOD BANK DRIVE RESULTS

The total amount collected for the December 4, 2022 Food Bank Drive was **\$3,300**—and carloads of food, of course. We would like to thank the 32 volunteers, 12 of whom were new Sennevillians!

It was great to introduce these new residents to this old tradition started by Richard Lavigne, a volunteer fireman and police chief so many years ago. Our volunteers were of all ages, 8-80, and all equally enthusiastic.





REMINDER

Overnight parking is prohibited. Street parking is limited to four hours between 7:00 a.m. and midnight from November 1, 2022 to April 1, 2023.

PILOT PROJECT • TAKING THE METRO WITH YOUR DOG

A pilot project is underway as of October 15, 2022, to accommodate pet dogs in the metro. However, they are not allowed on buses and adapted transport.

Certain conditions apply.

Consult the STM website [here](#) for more information.

DRINKING WATER QUALITY FROM PRIVATE WELLS

If you have a private well on your property that supplies your drinking water, the municipality strongly advises that you have the quality of your water checked on a regular basis. The Ministère de l'Environnement recommends that testing be done twice a year, in the spring and the fall, or if you have any doubts about the water quality. For more information, please consult the [ministry website](#) (French only).



Wet wipes: NEVER FLUSH THEM DOWN THE TOILET!

Wet wipes must always be thrown in the garbage and not in the toilet!

Although the packaging of most wet wipes indicates that they are “biodegradable,” “safe for toilets” or “safe for sewers and septic tanks,” they clog plumbing, causing sewers to back up in homes and streets. This leads to high repair costs for both the municipality and residents, while depriving them of an essential service.



TREES

1 TREE-CUTTING PERMIT APPLICATIONS

Please remember that if you wish to request the removal of a tree, you must submit an arborist's report with your permit application. For more information, visit [our website](#).

2 TREE REPLACEMENT - FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

If you wish to replace a tree, you can obtain financial assistance from the municipality of up to \$500 per property per year. This was made possible by the amendment of By-law 485 last May. For more information, visit [our website](#).

3 TREE REPLANTING

Please note that if you are considering replanting a tree, a directory of recommended trees is available on the municipality's website (French only): [Directory of recommended trees](#)

4 REMINDER REGARDING DIAMETER AND HEIGHT REQUIREMENTS FOR TREES

A modification has been made to the zoning by-law concerning the size of trees to be planted:

Deciduous trees: Must have a trunk of 4 cm in diameter measured at 0.3 metres from the ground and the tree must reach a minimum height of 5 metres at maturity;

Conifers: Must have a height of 1.2 metres at planting and a minimum height of 3 metres at maturity.

5 MIGRATORY BIRD REGULATIONS AND TREE-CUTTING

A reminder to all residents that because of migratory bird regulations, tree cutting is not permitted from mid-April to the end of August.

PLANNING YOUR CONSTRUCTION OR RENOVATION PROJECTS

If you are planning construction or renovation work, you must first check whether the work to be done requires a permit or certificate. If it does, applying for either will ensure that the work complies with current urban planning standards.

As a general rule, any work that involves modifications to your home (with the exception of certain types of work inside the residence) requires a permit or certificate. It is important to plan ahead, especially if your project must be evaluated by the Planning Advisory Committee (PAC), as this may mean that it will take longer to obtain your permit.

Please consult the following section of [our website](#).

For information on implementation and architectural integration plans, [see here](#).



This section will provide information and guidance on upcoming activities offered and/or promoted by the Village of Senneville. Don't forget to check our website for more information!

SUMMER ACTIVITY REGISTRATION

Summer programming will be revealed in mid-March. It will be published as a virtual booklet on the municipal website and on the Facebook page. Registration for these activities is scheduled for Wednesday, March 29, 2023 at 9 a.m.

THE SAINT-ANNE-DE-BELLEVUE LIBRARY IS HERE FOR YOU

When the weather is cold, take advantage of the cultural activities offered by the Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue library team. Consult the program [here](#).

Did you know that in addition to the loan of books*, the library is a place for the conservation of documents and small objects of local historical value? Your souvenirs, photographs or other items will be received with pleasure and archived with care.

* subscriber card required



WINTER CARNAVAL IS ALMOST HERE!

This year's winter carnival will be held on Saturday, February 11 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Hot chocolate and coffee will be served. Don't forget your skates!

WINTER FUN!

The winter season is also a great time for outdoor activities. You can take advantage of the snow-cleared trails, the skating rinks, the sledding hills and the free snowshoe rental offered to Senneville residents at the George McLeish Community Centre on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Get to it!



55+ CLUB NEWS

WORKSHOPS AND EVENTS

Drawing and Watercolour (course)	February 14 to April 11 (8 weeks, no class March 7) *Register now*
Zumba Fitness	8 weeks (starts end of Feb.; date TBD)
Mixed Media Art Exploration (course) (clay, sand, collage, etc.)	Date TBD
Make Your Own Terrarium (workshop)	Date TBD
Introduction to the Game of Bridge (workshop)	Spring or fall, date TBD
First Aid, CPR and AED (course)	Date TBD
Wine and Cheese Tasting	Social gathering at the Souffle de Vie vineyard (mid-June, date TBD)
Making Sushi (workshop)	Date TBD
Holiday Cookie Making (workshop)	Social gathering on November 28

All club activities and/or events will be published in the Sennevillois newsletter as well as in municipal newsletters. You will also receive an invitation in your mailbox; in addition, residents who prefer can receive an email invitation.

To register for all club activities, please send your name to Clubsocalsenneville@gmail.com or call Nicole Maisonneuve at 514 894-6536.

Courses/workshops can be paid in cash (exact amount please) or with a cheque made out to the name of the company or facilitator of the workshop.

CELEBRATING EARTH DAY IN SENNEVILLE

More than ever, we need to emphasize the importance of a healthy planet. Healthy lifestyle habits and thinking about sustainable development are important elements that we should think about every day.

On Saturday, April 22, Earth Day, we invite citizens to do a spring cleaning of the municipality and to undertake ecological actions that can stand the test of time. One example is placing compost containers in the bathrooms instead of garbage cans.

Family activities will also be organized at the community centre on Saturday, April 22 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

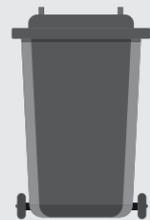
HISTORICAL SOCIETY PROGRAMMING UP AND RUNNING

Here are the upcoming activities for the Bout-de-l'Île Historical Society. If you wish to become a member and participate in the conferences and activities, please contact James Hamilton, president, at hamilton_J@videotron.ca.

JANUARY 25	Guido Socher	Dowker's Island
FEBRUARY 22	Peter McBride	The great escape - Dad's war
MARCH 22	Rod Hodgson	The Lost Franklin Expedition
APRIL 26	Steven High	The De-industrialization of Montreal
MAY 10	Henry Yates	An Illustrated Talk About the Lives and Architecture of Edward and W.S. Maxwell
MAY 24	Atmo Zakes	30 Years in the Farmer's House



COLLECTION



Garbage is picked up weekly on **THURSDAYS** starting at **7 a.m.**

Consult our [website](#) for more information.



Composting pick-up is on **MONDAYS** starting at **7 a.m.**; containers can be placed at the end of your driveway as of 6 p.m. the night before.

Consult our [website](#) for more information.



Recycling pick-up is on **MONDAYS** starting at **7 a.m.**; containers can be placed at the end of your driveway as of 6 p.m. the night before.

Consult our [website](#) for more information.



Bulk waste pick-ups are **FOUR TIMES PER YEAR**. For 2022, the dates are: **January 13, May 12, July 14 and September 8.**

Consult our [website](#) for more information.



Paint and oil collection takes place during Town Hall opening hours.

Consult our [website](#) for more information.



Battery collection takes place during Town Hall opening hours.

Consult our [website](#) for more information.



SENNEVILLE'S WASTE MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE

The municipality is proud of the efforts its residents make to ensure good waste management. The below charts show the total amounts in metric tonnes of household waste, organic waste and recyclable materials managed by Senneville over the last three years. The second chart compares the waste managed in kilograms by Senneville residents vs. the waste managed by residents of the Montreal agglomeration. You'll see that Senneville residents go above and beyond the call of duty!

WASTE MANAGEMENT IN SENNEVILLE, 2019 - 2021

(IN METRIC TONNES)

	HOUSEHOLD WASTE	ORGANIC WASTE	RECYCLABLE MATERIALS
2019	229	232	117
2020	230	248	138
2021	230	214	127

WASTE GENERATED PER PERSON

(IN NUMBER OF KILOGRAMS)

JANUARY TO AUGUST 2022	SENNEVILLE	MONTREAL AGGLOMERATION
Recyclable materials	79.11	49.06
Reused CRD waste	8.27	6.55
Organic waste, yard waste, wood chips, wood*	108.66	49.37
Household waste	139.36	144.38
Eliminated CRD waste	3.55	3.55
Total amount of waste generated	338.95	252.91

*The total number of people used in the calculation of kilograms/per person for the Agglomeration is the sum of residents of the four boroughs and 12 cities that participate in the mixed waste collection, i.e. 468,047.





ADOPTION OF THE 2023 BUDGET

As you know, the 2023 budget and the three-year capital program for the years 2023-2024-2025 were adopted at the special meeting on December 13, 2022.

If you have not had a chance to view the budget presentation, it is still available on our [website](#).

The tax rates were adopted at the regular council meeting on January 24, 2023 and tax bills were sent to citizens in the days that followed. If you did not receive your tax bill, please contact the administration; they will be pleased to provide you with a new copy.

Municipal tax payments are due on two dates each year. This year, the first payment is due on February 27, 2023 and the second on May 29, 2023.

There is a \$50 administration fee for any payment refused by the bank (such as an NSF cheque). While there is no longer a penalty charged on arrears, all arrears bear interest at the new rate of 10% per annum, calculated daily from the due date.

For an explanation of Senneville tax rates, please see our [website](#).

PAYMENT METHODS: There are several convenient ways to pay your municipal taxes.

BY MAIL: You may send your post-dated cheques payable to the Village of Senneville using the payment stubs enclosed with your tax bill.

IN PERSON AT CITY HALL:

You may deliver your cheque(s) in person. You may pay onsite with your debit card or cash. You can also deposit your cheque payment in the mail chute located on the outside wall of the Town Hall (near the municipal garage).

Please note that we do not accept credit card payments.

WHAT IS TRANSFER TAX?

The real estate transfer tax, commonly called the “welcome tax,” represents a sum of money that every buyer must pay to the municipality after the transfer of ownership of an immovable. Under the Act respecting duties on transfers of immovables, every municipality in Quebec must collect a duty on transfers of immovables when there is a transfer of ownership on their territory.

If it is a transfer of an existing property, it can take several weeks to issue the transfer tax bill. If you are buying a new house, the delays can be even longer.

The transfer tax is payable in one lump sum by the municipality within 30 days of the invoice. The taxable amount of the transfer tax is the higher of the following amounts:

- The sale price;
- The taxable amount of the transfer tax under the deed of sale; and
- The amount of the market value of the property (roll value at the time of transfer multiplied by the comparative factor).

The rates are updated annually and are available on our [website](#).

When a property is transferred, the Village of Senneville does not re-issue property tax bills. It is the responsibility of the new owner to ensure that the municipal taxes due are paid by contacting the Village's administration.