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THE VILLAGE OF SENNEVILLE



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911

POLICE, FIRE OR AMBULANCE SERVICES
(LIFE-THREATENING SITUATIONS)



514 280-0101

POLICE - STATION 1
(NON LIFE-THREATENING SITUATIONS)



1 800 463-5060

POISON CONTROL CENTRE

<https://santemontreal.qc.ca/en/public/support-and-services/poison-control-centre/>



514 630-2123

CIUSSS DE L'OUEST-DE-L'ILE DE MONTRÉAL
<https://www.ciusss-ouestmtl.gouv.qc.ca/en/>



1 800 790-2424

HYDRO-QUÉBEC POWER OUTAGES

http://pannes.hydroquebec.com/poweroutages/?utm_source%20=bd-affaires-municipales-fr&utm_medium=courriel&utm%20_campaign=not-set



514 385-7252

HYDRO-QUÉBEC CUSTOMER SERVICE AND COMPLAINTS

<https://www.hydroquebec.com/contact-us/complaints-claims/>

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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.

Friday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Central number: **514 457-6020**

Online request service:

<https://www.senneville.ca/en/services/online-request/>

FOR ANY EMERGENCY
AFTER REGULAR OFFICE
HOURS, CALL:

514 630-1234

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

A WORD FROM THE MAYOR



It's that time of year again—when the glow of summer is fading and the excitement of the new school year is upon us. It was a great season in the Village during these warmer months despite the unpredictable weather, with the new tennis and pickleball courts getting plenty of use—and Senneville Park and pool often buzzing with activity. And some of the construction around Senneville is finally coming to an end, an accomplishment I am sure will be much appreciated by our residents.

And I do have some good news to report: our collaboration with the Communauté métropolitaine de Montréal (CMM) and McGill University has, so far, been fruitful. We are on the way to reaching an agreement with McGill for a 40-year easement, which will allow us to access funding from the CMM for the acquisition of the McKenzie North lots. Our goal, as many of you know, is one of conservation—to protect a significant portion of the core of our eco-territory, which is strategically located in the heart of the Municipality's most populated area.

We have been working hard to secure the funding with the CMM and conclude the easement with McGill University, and are grateful to both for making this important conservation project possible. We look forward to officializing this conservation project for the benefit of our population for generations to come.

Your Mayor,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Julie Brisebois".

Julie Brisebois

Our Senneville

A PORTRAIT OF OUR POPULATION

Did you know that the 2021 Canadian Census has Senneville listed with a population of **951 residents** living in **352 dwellings**? That's up from **921 residents** in 2016 and down from approximately 1,400 in 1971.



As of January 2023, there are 350 properties. The average age among residents is 45 years old. While the 0-14 age group is growing, the largest population group is the 50-54s with 90 residents, followed by the 15-19-year-olds with a total of 85. One of 72 officially bilingual municipalities in Quebec, it is reported that 79% of residents are bilingual.

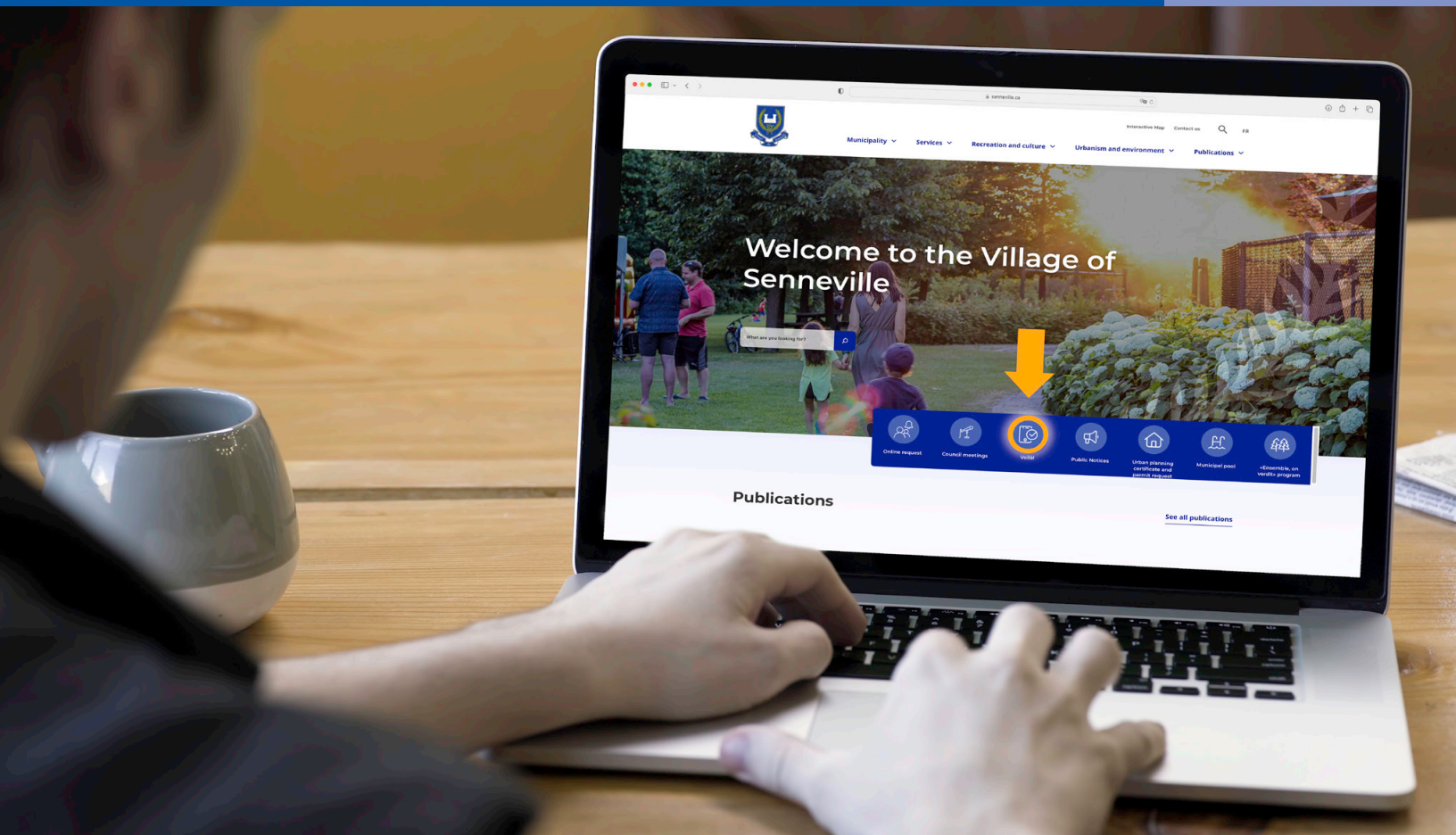
AVERAGE AGE:
45 YEARS OLD

79%
BILINGUAL

Most of our homes were built before 1970. We are now welcoming a new phase of growth with the Senneville sur le Parc and Pearson developments, which will add approximately 90 homes to our village. Our territory is divided mainly between residential properties and greenspace, with 9% of the territory being agricultural and approximately 5% industrial. For a more detailed look: https://cmm.qc.ca/pdf/portraits/Portrait_66127.pdf



Sennevillians can be proud that we have the largest percentage of green space of **any** municipality on the Island of Montreal.



Voilà!

Register for Voilà! on our homepage!

Since August 15, you can sign up for Voilà! on the homepage of the municipality's website:
<https://www.senneville.ca/en/>

By registering, you will be part of the Village of Senneville citizens' portal, which provides access at all times to your municipal tax account and enables you to submit online requests, in addition to other advantages.

AND, DON'T FORGET TO...





FALL REMINDER

CHECK YOUR SMOKE DETECTORS WHEN YOU SET BACK YOUR CLOCKS

It's a great idea when we turn our clocks back to local standard time during the night of November 4 to November 5 to check that our smoke detectors are in good working order. The Service de sécurité incendie de Montréal (SIM) strongly suggests associating these two activities so that your smoke detector gets a regular check-up. It is a simple action that can save lives.

Too often, fatal accidents happen because smoke detectors are not working properly or are not installed at all. Checking your smoke detector monthly is best. Just press the test button for a few seconds until you hear the alarm. If your smoke alarm is linked to an alarm company, remember to let them know that you will be testing your system. For more tips and information about smoke detector maintenance, please consult the SIM website: <https://www.quebec.ca/en/public-safety-emergencies/fire-safety/fire-safety-equipment-home/smoke-detectors>

FALL HOLIDAY

Please note that the Town Hall will be closed for Thanksgiving on **October 9, 2023**. We will be back on October 10 with regular business hours.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!





EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS



MAKE A PLAN



BUILD A KIT



BE INFORMED

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Being prepared for emergencies can go a long way to saving lives—and also to reducing stress. To learn how to prepare a household emergency plan and kit, check out the Quebec government’s guidelines:

<https://www.quebec.ca/en/public-safety-emergencies/emergency-situations-disasters-and-natural-hazards/how-prepare-at-home>.

And make sure you are signed up for the municipality’s CODEred alerts.

COUNCIL SITTING RECORDINGS AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE

If you have been unable to attend a municipal council sitting in person, remember that recordings of these meetings are available on our website for viewing at any time.

You can access the recordings through this link: <https://www.senneville.ca/en/municipality/democratic-life/agendas-minutes-and-videoconference/>

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ACTIVITIES AND RECREATION



This section provides 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!

A LITTLE PUMPKIN SPICE FOR HALLOWE'EN

Come get your free pumpkin, available at the Town Hall from October 25-31 while quantities last. There will also be a Mystery Night at the George McLeish Community Centre on Friday, October 27 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Come dressed in your costume!

And don't forget, we'll be picking the best decorated house and posting it on our Facebook page.



55+ CLUB GAINING MOMENTUM FOR THE FALL

The 55+ Club has a few things planned for the fall, but the activities that have been confirmed are duplicate bridge and a course on watercolour painting. For more information, please email clubsocialsenneville@gmail.com.



BOUT-DE-L'ÎLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY UNVEILS PROGRAMMING

Autumn plans for the Bout de l'île Historical Society include a talk by Robert Carswell called

“Senneville from the 50s revisited in the 90s,”

which will take place at the George McLeish Community Centre on September 27 at 1:30 p.m. For more information, please email: doreen.croll@gmail.com.

ACTIVITIES AND RECREATION



SAVE THESE DATES FOR HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

The Senneville Holiday Cocktail Fundraiser will be held on Saturday, November 25, 2023. Stay tuned for the time and event venue.

The Annual Senneville Food Drive will be on Sunday, December 3, 2023 and, as in past years, is being held on the same day that Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue is holding its food drive. Mark your calendars! We will share more information as the date approaches.

If you are interested in joining one of these organizing committees, please email: doreen.croll@gmail.com.

Save
the
Dates



PUBLIC LIBRARY FUN!

From October 14-21, the 25th edition of the Semaine des bibliothèques publiques will be celebrated in Quebec. The role of the library in our society is evolving! Visiting your library means borrowing books, but also taking part in a wide range of activities that are open to the world, taking advantage of digital services, undertaking creative projects and meeting other users. It's a rich, dynamic world that belongs to everyone!

Learn more about a variety of activities taking place in libraries during that week on the Semaine des bibliothèques website (French only):

<https://semainedesbibliotheques.ca/a-propos/>



DOG WORKSHOPS ARE COMING TO SENNEVILLE!

Two dog education workshops will be held:

September 16: **Bite Prevention**

September 23: **Toolbox: Between Us and Our Dogs**

Join Nadine Caron from 10 a.m. to noon at Senneville Park to learn how to better understand and communicate with your dog. Nadine is a trained animal behaviorist, specialized educator and zootherapist who has 20 years of experience working specifically on bite prevention and behaviour.

To sign up, email coordo-loisirs@senneville.ca to reserve (spots are limited).

Free for residents and \$15 for non-residents.

FALL PROGRAMMING FOR THE VILLAGE!

Please visit our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/senneville.ca/>
for regular updates on fall activities.





YOUR SEPTIC TANK: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Septic tanks will be emptied during the month of September. You will need to release the cover and allow access. You will be notified when your street is to be serviced.

GET YOUR PERMITS ONLINE!

Available online permits include those required for pergolas, solar collectors, pools, fences, spas, driveways and low walls and signs.

For more information, click here:

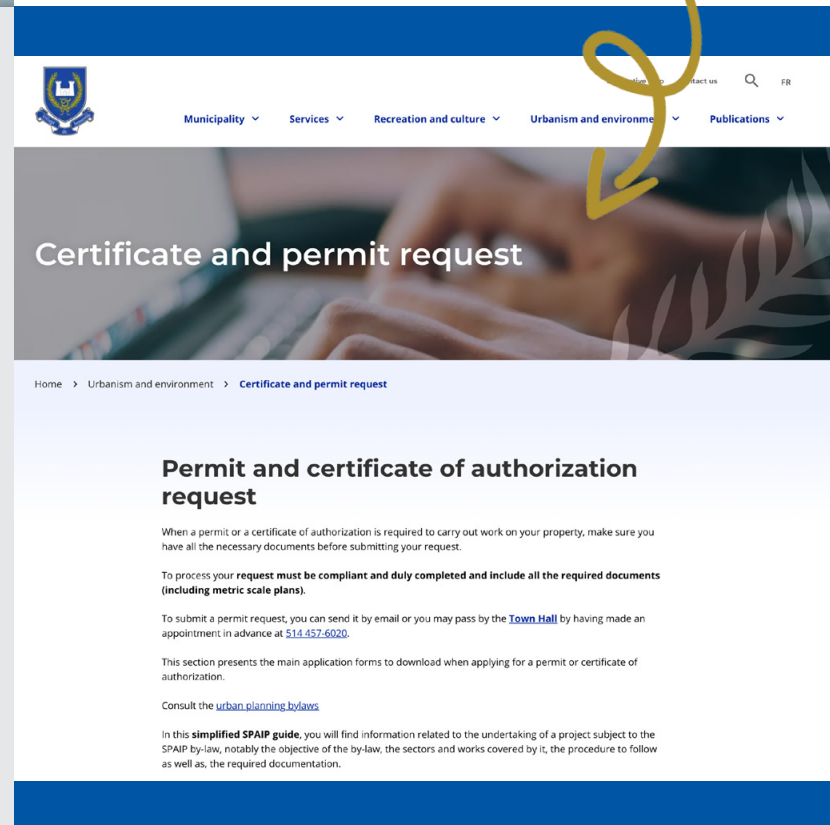
<https://senneville.edemandes.com/en/create/PC>

ADAPT YOUR HOME DEPENDING ON YOUR NEEDS

The Home Adaptation Program (HAP) of the Société d'habitation du Québec (SHQ) is designed for people with disabilities, i.e., those who have a disability that results in a significant and persistent incapacity, and who are subject to obstacles in carrying out everyday activities.

This program provides financial assistance to owners of a home occupied by a disabled person so the home can be adapted.

For more information, please consult the Government of Quebec website (French only): http://www.habitation.gouv.qc.ca/programme/programme/programme_dadaptation_de_domicile.html



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Certificate and permit request

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Permit and certificate of authorization request

When a permit or a certificate of authorization is required to carry out work on your property, make sure you have all the necessary documents before submitting your request.

To process your request must be compliant and duly completed and include all the required documents (including metric scale plans).

To submit a permit request, you can send it by email or you may pass by the [Town Hall](#) by having made an appointment in advance at [514-457-6020](tel:514-457-6020).

This section presents the main application forms to download when applying for a permit or certificate of authorization.

Consult the [urban planning bylaws](#).

In this [simplified SPAIP guide](#), you will find information related to the undertaking of a project subject to the SPAIP by-law, notably the objective of the by-law, the sectors and works covered by it, the procedure to follow as well as, the required documentation.



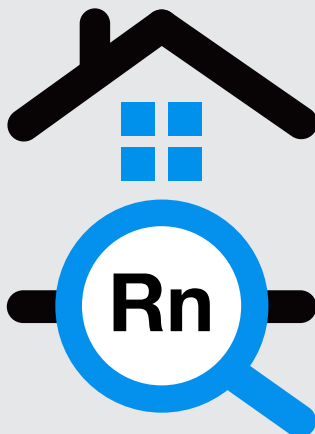
RADON AWARENESS

> November is Radon Action Month!

Health Canada suggests measuring the radon in your home, ideally over a three-month period. The best time to do this is during heating season so November is the perfect time for an awareness campaign.

>> To find out how to get a radon kit, please consult the Take Action on Radon website: <https://takeactiononradon.ca/learn/radon-action-month/#:~:text=November%20is%20Radon%20Action%20Month!,cancer%2C%20surpassed%20only%20by%20smoking>.

>> To learn more about radon and its effects on health, please consult Health Canada's website: <https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/environmental-workplace-health/reports-publications/radiation/radon-your-home-health-canada-2009.html> and the Quebec Government's website: <https://www.quebec.ca/en/homes-and-housing/healthy-living-environment/residential-radon>



GET YOUR SPAIP GUIDE!

The Site Planning and Architectural Integration Program (SPAIP) by-law allows the evaluation of projects according to qualitative criteria, adapted to the environment and based not only on standards. It's an approach that ensures harmonious integration with the existing buildings and natural environment and promotes the search for innovative solutions in an open exchange between the municipality and the applicant.

The Village of Senneville has developed its own SPAIP Guide for residents to help simplify the process for a permit.

You can access this guide here: https://www.senneville.ca/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/PIIA_VILLAGE-DE-SENNEVILLE_2023_ENG_FINAL.pdf



REMINDER ABOUT STORING BOATS AND OTHER RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

As the summer season draws to a close and storage of recreational vehicles becomes a priority, the Municipality would like to remind you of the rules around such storage. Parking recreational vehicles on your front lawn is prohibited. However, storage is permitted in lateral or back yards within a parking area established in conformity with By-law 448. The storage area must not exceed a length of 9.5 metres and a height of 4 metres and must be surrounded by a fence or hedge so it is not visible from the street.

For more information, please consult the by-law on our website:

[https://www.senneville.ca/medias/files/pdf/448%20-%20Zoning%20\(updated%202021-06-03\).pdf](https://www.senneville.ca/medias/files/pdf/448%20-%20Zoning%20(updated%202021-06-03).pdf)



TREE MAINTENANCE

It's important to undertake regular maintenance of your trees. We suggest that you contact certified arborists for advice on this maintenance. Some preventive actions such as pruning or trimming can improve their growth and balance their branches, making them stronger in anticipation of possible weather hazards. These visits by certified professionals also allow us to determine the health of the tree. Some signs of decline are precursors of disease or aging. An arborist can advise you on what actions to take to extend the life of your trees and provide a suitable replacement plan for your property, with felling being a final and often costly option.

To find a certified arborist:

<https://www.siaq.org/en>

In the event that felling proves to be the only solution, we remind you that a permit application, accompanied by a report produced by a certified arborist, must be sent to the municipality for approval before any work begins.





LAST BULK ITEMS COLLECTION FOR 2023

The last collection of the year for bulk items is **September 8**. If you can't make this date, you can bring your items to one of the eco-centres on the island of Montreal. Just check this map: https://montreal.ca/en/places?mtl_content.lieux.installation.code=ECOC&orderBy=dc_title&list-Type=map

Eco-centres divert significant quantities of materials from landfill. These include construction and demolition materials, soil, household hazardous waste, bulk items and a large number of other items that can be reused.

FALL BRANCH COLLECTION

The last branch collection of the fall is scheduled for the week of November 7, but may go until mid-November, weather permitting. To understand what will not be picked up, please consult our website: <https://www.senneville.ca/en/services/waste-collection/branch-collection/>



“LEAF-CYCLING” AND LEAF COLLECTION BAGS

The Village of Senneville encourages “leaf-cycling”—or the mowing of fallen leaves, and leaving them on your lawn to provide the soil and plants with some of the mineral elements they need to get through the winter.

But for those of you who choose not to leaf-cycle, you can pick up leaf collection bags during the week of October 2 at the Town Hall. As in years past, the Village offers 25 bags per residence.





FLUSHING THE AQUEDUCT NETWORK

In September and/or October, the Public Works department flushes the aqueduct network and verifies the fire hydrants. The goal is to remove limestone, iron and rust particles from the network's pipes to maintain drinking water quality. This operation also ensures that the network is in good condition, especially street valves and hydrants.

Flushing is usually done during Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and consists of evacuating the particles and fragments on the inside walls of the aqueduct network pipes. The soiled water is then evacuated through the fire hydrants. This process can cause a change in water pressure and/or may produce a reddish (rusty) colour.

You may wish to avoid washing clothes or dishes during these flushing periods. If your water is rusty, turn on the cold water tap of your bathtub and let it run approximately 15 minutes or until clear.



DITCH MAINTENANCE

According to By-law 482 concerning nuisances, cleanliness and safety, it is the citizen's responsibility to maintain the ditch in front of his or her property.

In spring, we suggest cleaning the ditch by removing branches and other debris from the bottom. During the summer, vegetation in the ditch should be controlled to ensure that there are no obstructions, and to comply with visibility standards. In the fall, we recommend clearing the ditch of all dead leaves. And in the winter months, avoid overloading the ditch with snow.

Owners are also required to maintain roadside ditches located in the front or side rights-of-way of their property so that nothing obstructs the flow of water.

For example, do not add fences to culverts, or plant shrubs or plants in front of them.

The maintenance required by the Village consists of removing, by hand or with a lawnmower, any debris or vegetation that obstructs the flow of water. Digging, backfilling and slope adjustments are prohibited. It is not permitted to divert, fill or perform any work that modifies the shape or course of a public road ditch.

By-law 482 concerns nuisances on the territory of the Village of Senneville.

To find out more, consult it here:

<https://www.senneville.ca/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/Reglement-482-Nuisances.pdf>



2024 BUDGETARY PROCESS

Every autumn, the Village of Senneville draws up the municipal budget. The budget is a detailed plan that defines how resources are raised and allocated. All municipal services are funded from the municipal operating budget. Your municipal administration is responsible for public works, water and sewer services, garbage collection, composting and recycling, urban planning and recreation. The operating budget finances all these services and more. And let's not forget that some 55% of the budget goes to the Montreal Agglomeration and Montreal Urban Community, which are responsible for public safety (fire and police), roads and public transit, among other things.

Based on Council's orientations, the Village of Senneville administration is responsible for preparing a preliminary budget each year, which is then presented to the Finance and Administration Committee for review and discussion to ensure that all elements included in the budget are in line with Council's orientations, while respecting the strategic vision desired by your Municipal Council. The Village must maintain a balanced operating budget. Under the Cities and Towns Act, the municipality cannot run a deficit on its operating expenses.

The adoption of the 2024 budget and the three-year capital expenditure program is scheduled for December 2023 at a special meeting of the Municipal Council.

