



ORDINARY MEETING of the Council of Brome Village held in person on Monday, January 12, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at which were present Councillors Lisa Belanger, Lynn Patenaude, Wesley Patch, Christopher Whitehead and Anthony Allen. All members of the said council forming a quorum under the chairmanship of Mayor William Miller in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Code.

Councillor Larry Royea was absent.

The Director General and Clerk-Treasurer Gail Côté was present.

The citizens can attend the meeting and ask questions.

There was 1 person in the audience.

AGENDA

1. **OPENING OF THE MEETING**
2. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**
3. **APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**
 - 3.1 Approval and adoption of the minutes of the December 1, 2025, ordinary meeting
 - 3.2 Approval and adoption of the minutes of the December 18, 2025, special meeting
4. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE LAST MINUTES**
 - 4.1
5. **CORRESPONDENCE**
 - 5.1
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 - 6.2 Resignation of CCU member
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 - 9.1 Knowlton Academy financial support
 - 9.2 Service offer from Infotech
 - 9.3 Adoption – By-law number 227-25 concerning taxation and municipal rates for the year 2026
 - 9.4 Adoption - By-law number 228-25 concerning compensation for 2026 municipal services
 - 9.5 Notice of motion and deposit of draft By-law 229-26 concerning the remuneration of elected municipal officials
10. **FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION**
 - 10.1 Accounts payable
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11. **ROADS**
 - 11.1 Road(s) reports
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16. **SECOND QUESTION PERIOD**
17. **ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING**

1
OPENING OF THE MEETING
Resolution 2026-638

The members present at the opening of the meeting formed a quorum; the meeting was called to order by the mayor at 7:01 p.m.

The mayor addresses those present.

2
ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
Resolution 2026-639

IT IS
Moved by Anthony Allen
Seconded by Wesley Patch
AND UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

THAT the agenda be and is hereby approved.

ADOPTED

3
APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

3.1
APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 1, 2025, ORDINARY MEETING
Resolution 2026-640

IT IS
Moved by Lisa Belanger
Seconded by Anthony Allen
AND UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the December 1, 2025, ordinary meeting be and are hereby approved.

ADOPTED

3.2
APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 18, 2025, SPECIAL MEETING
Resolution 2026-641

IT IS
Moved by Christopher Whitehead
Seconded by Anthony Allen
AND UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the December 18, 2025, special meeting be and are hereby approved.

ADOPTED

4
BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE LAST MINUTES

- No business arising from the last minutes.

5
CORRESPONDENCE

- Nothing for correspondence.

6
URBANISM

6.1
MUNICIPAL INSPECTOR'S REPORT

The municipal inspector submitted his report for the month of December.

Number of permits:	2
Value of work:	0
Revenues of:	0

6.2
RESIGNATION OF CCU MEMBER
Resolution 2026-642

Larry Royea resigned effective immediately and will no longer be a member of the CCU Committee.

6.3
NOMINATION OF NEW CCU MEMBER
Resolution 2026-643

CONSIDERING that CCU member Larry Royea gave his resignation;

CONSIDERING that his position is now vacant;

IT IS

Moved by Lisa Belanger

Seconded by Wesley Patch

AND UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

TO elect Lynn Patenaude as the new CCU member to replace Larry Royea

ADOPTED.

7
FIRST QUESTION PERIOD

1. A resident inquired about why the speed radar remained up this winter, unlike in previous years.

The mayor explained that council decided to leave the speed radar in place this winter due to the ongoing speeding. To date, there have been no issues related to winter temperatures or the sign's operation.

8
OFFICER'S REPORT

1. The Brome Lights Festival had eleven (11) participants and was well attended.
2. Councillor Lisa Belanger reported that the Brome Planning Committee is planning to clean the ditches this year. Further details will be provided at a later date.
3. The mayor reported that he serves on the MRC Water Evaluation Committee. He also announced that Sylvie Beauregard, Mayor of Cowansville, has been appointed as the new Prefect of the MRC.
4. Councillor Wesley Patch inquired whether there is any new information regarding sidewalk snow removal.

The Director General will make further inquiries.

9
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

9.1
KNOWLTON ACADEMY FINANCIAL SUPPORT
Resolution 2026-644

CONSIDERING the school ski program has existed for fifty-five (55) years;

CONSIDERING the Program relied on funding from generous community donors and the Ministry of Education;

CONSIDERING the recent budget cuts, the school is struggling to sustain the program;

IT IS

Proposed by Lisa Belanger

Seconded by Wesley Patch

AND UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

TO donate six hundred dollars (\$600) to Knowlton Academy School for their ski program.

ADOPTED

9.2
SERVICE OFFER FROM INFOTECH
Resolution 2026-645

WHEREAS the Municipality does not currently have a taxation program;

WHEREAS Infotech, the Municipality's accounting software provider, has indicated uncertainty regarding the continuation of its taxation outsourcing service in future years;

IT IS

Proposed by Christopher Whitehead

Seconded by Anthony Allen

AND UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

TO accept the service offer from Infotech in the amount of \$5 143, plus applicable taxes, for the taxation program, including the software license and the professional services;

TO finance this expense, net of tax refunds, from the operating budget;

TO authorize the Director General and Clerk-Treasurer to give all necessary instructions and to sign all documents to this effect.

ADOPTED

9.3
ADOPTION – BY-LAW NUMBER 227-25 CONCERNING TAXATION AND MUNICIPAL
RATES FOR THE YEAR 2026
Resolution 2026-646

WHEREAS a Notice of Motion of the present by-law was given at the special council meeting held on December 18, 2025, by councillor Anthony Allen;

WHEREAS a draft by-law was deposited at the special council meeting held on December 18, 2025, by councillor Anthony Allen;

THEREFORE

Proposed by Anthony Allen

Seconded by Wesley Patch

AND UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

THAT the present By-law No. 227-25 be adopted and that said By-law ordains and decrees as follows:

ARTICLE 1

A general property tax rate of \$0.32 per \$100 evaluation be and is hereby imposed and levied on all taxable immovable property located within the territory of the Municipality for the year 2026.

ARTICLE 2

A police services tax rate of \$0.05299 per \$100 evaluation be and is hereby imposed and levied on all taxable immovable property located within the territory of the Municipality for the year 2026.

ARTICLE 3

A fire services tax rate of \$0.0798 per \$100 evaluation for the provision of the fire protection services is hereby imposed and levied for the year 2026.

ARTICLE 4

A tariff of \$134.86 per residential unit for the removal of garbage be and is hereby imposed and levied for the year 2026. Rate for additional garbage bin is \$240.00 annually (more than two).

ARTICLE 5

A tariff of \$105.21 per residential unit for the removal of compost be and is hereby imposed and levied for the year 2026.

ARTICLE 6

A tariff of \$46.83 per residential unit for the regional ecocentres be and is hereby imposed and levied for the year 2026.

ARTICLE 7

A tariff of \$10.00 per dog license and \$50.00 per kennel license be and is hereby imposed and levied on every guardian of a dog or dogs kept within the territory of the Municipality for the year 2026.

ARTICLE 8

A tariff of \$108.18 per residential unit for the emptying of septic systems be and is hereby imposed and levied for the year 2026.

ARTICLE 9

When a payment is not made within the time limit, only the amount of the payment payable becomes due. Taxes, compensation and any other account due to the Municipality of Brome Village bears interest at the rate of 12% per year from the expiry of the period during which they must be paid. Offsets, tariffs, fines are comparable to a property tax.

ARTICLE 10

This By-law be adopted in its entirety, article by article, paragraph by paragraph, in such a way that if one article or paragraph were ever declared to be null and void, the other provisions would remain in force.

ARTICLE 11

The present by-law comes into force according to the law.

ADOPTED in Brome Village, this 12th day of January 2026.

William Miller
Mayor

Gail Côté
Director General and Clerk-Treasurer

Notice of Motion:	December 18, 2025
Draft by-law deposit:	December 18, 2025
Adoption:	January 12, 2026
Publication:	January 13, 2026

9.4
ADOPTION - BY-LAW NUMBER 228-25 CONCERNING COMPENSATION FOR 2026
MUNICIPAL SERVICES
Resolution 2026-647

WHEREAS a Notice of Motion of the present by-law was given at the special council meeting held on December 18, 2025, by councillor Anthony Allen;

WHEREAS a draft by-law was deposited at the special council meeting held on December 18,2025, by councillor Anthony Allen;

THEREFORE
Proposed by Lisa Belanger
Seconded by Anthony Allen
AND UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

THAT the present By-law No. 228-25 be adopted and that By-law ordains and decrees as follows:

ARTICLE 1

In conformity with section 205 of *An Act Respecting Municipal Taxation*, a compensation for municipal services of \$0.32 per \$100 evaluation is hereby imposed and levied for the year 2026 on all the owners of immovable property owned by an agricultural or horticultural society and specifically used by that society for exhibition purposes located within the territory of the Municipality as referred to in paragraph 11° of section 204 of *An Act Respecting Municipal Taxation* (L.R.Q., Chapter F-2.1).

ARTICLE 2

When a payment is not made within the time limit, only the amount of the payment payable becomes due. Taxes, compensation and any other account due to the Municipality of Brome Village bears interest at the rate of 12% per year from the expiry of the period during which they must be paid. Compensation, tariffs and fines are comparable to a property tax. Amounts due to the municipality for more than two years can be collected through the tax sale procedure.

ARTICLE 3

The present by-law comes into force according to the law.

ADOPTED in Brome Village, this 12th day of January 2026.

William Miller
Mayor

Gail Côté
Director General and Clerk-Treasurer

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9.5

**NOTICE OF MOTION AND DEPOSIT OF DRAFT BY-LAW 229-26 CONCERNING THE REMUNERATION OF ELECTED MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS
Resolution 2026-648**

Notice of motion and deposit of the project By-law No. 229-26 concerning the remuneration of elected municipal officials;

Councillor Christopher Whitehead gives notice of motion that at a future meeting of Council, By-law No. 229-26 will be adopted concerning the remuneration of elected municipal officials;

I hereby deposit draft By-law No. 229-26 concerning the remuneration of elected municipal officials.

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FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

10.1

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
DECEMBER 2025
Resolution 2026-649**

IT IS
Moved by Anthony Allen
Seconded by Lynn Patenaude
AND UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

THAT the payment of accounts payable in the amount of \$12 083.65 be and is hereby approved.

Supplier	Description	Amount
Buropro	Meter reading of photocopier	25.75
Gestim	Municipal inspection (16/11/25 – 13/12/25)	1 724.63
Paysagement Précision	Skating rink 2025-2026	7 105.46
RIGMRBM	Landfill fees	1 069.57
St Louis Judith	Website and assistance with speed radars	1 500.00
Tente Méchoui et Plus	Portable toilet rental	600.75
Ville de Cowansville	Administrative fees	57.49
TOTAL		\$12 083.65

10.2
ACCOUNTS PAID
DECEMBER 2025
Resolution 2026-650

Supplier	Description	Amount
BCAS	Rent & cleaning for December	753.09
Ent Raymond Cherrier	Garbage, recycling, compost collection and transport	4 993.71
Mackenzie Cameron	Christmas tree (Brome Lights)	120.00
Monthly remuneration of elected officials	December remuneration	2 210.55
Monthly remuneration of Director General	December salary	4 453.87
Thériault Dominique	Reimbursement of Brome Lights expenses	428.59
TOTAL		\$12 959.81

Supplier	Description (direct debit)	Amount
Cogeco	Telephone, internet, fax	351.40
DFS Insurance	Group insurance	591.32
Hydro Québec	Street lighting	184.68
Hydro Québec	Electricity Heritage Park	113.43
IT Cloud	Microsoft monthly subscription fees	28.69
TOTAL		\$1 269.52

TOTAL \$26 312.98

ADOPTED

11
ROADS

11.1
ROAD REPORT(S)

- No comments concerning roads.

**12
ENVIRONMENT**

- Nothing to discuss.

**13
PUBLIC SECURITY**

- Nothing to discuss.

**14
LEISURE AND CULTURE**

- Nothing to discuss.

**15
VARIA**

- Nothing to discuss.

**16
SECOND QUESTION PERIOD**

1. A resident inquired about the comparative costs of police services versus the fire and first responder services.

The mayor confirmed that police services consistently cost less than fire and first responder services.

**17
ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING
Resolution 2026-651**

IT IS
Moved by Anthony Allen
Seconded by Wesley Patch
AND RESOLVED

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

William Miller
Mayor

Gail Côté
Director General and Clerk-Treasurer

"I, William Miller, mayor, certify that the signing of the present minutes is equivalent to the signing by me of all the resolutions contained herein within the meaning of article 142 (2) of the Municipal Code.