



# SUMMARY OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 10, 2026

## POLICY

- Use of optical scanning vote tabulators for the counting of votes in respect to the 2026 municipal and school board elections.
- Council resolution requesting the Province and relevant agencies to implement practical, supportive, and cost-effective measures to improve the accessibility and efficiency of the driver's licence reinstatement process for Northern Ontario residents.
- Support to the Township of Hornepayne's resolution requesting that the Province amend the *Assessment Act* to add a Small Northern New Residential Property Tax Class and Subclass.
- Support to the Township of Southgate's resolution advocating against the legislative changes to the *OMERS Act* contained in Bill 68 and supporting the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) in calling on the Government of Ontario to maintain the current OMERS governance model, with two corporate boards, as the structure that would best deliver on the long-term interests of municipalities, taxpayers, and employees.
- Support to the City of Brantford's resolution calling upon the Government of Ontario to establish a permanent Ontario Airport Capital Assistance Program.



## FINANCE

- Defferal of decision regarding requests from the Hearst Ecomuseum and the Public Library Board for free use of space in the municipal building located at 801 George Street.
- Free rental of the municipal space occupied by Dépôt Gamelin at the Claude Larose Recreation Centre for a period of one year.
- Establishment of rates for the rental of aquatic lockers at the Stéphane Lecours Swimming Pool.
- Recognition of elementary and secondary schools as minor sports organizations, making them eligible for reduced ice rental rates.



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## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Signature of License Agreements with the Canadian Armed Forces, permitting the use of designated municipal premises for the purpose of military training, including the Fire Hall, the Claude Larose Recreation Centre, the René Fontaine Municipal Airport, and the Heritage Sawmill Marketplace, for the period of February 21<sup>st</sup> to March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2026.
- Participation of a member of the Economic Development team on the Welcoming Committee established and led by the Welcoming Francophone Communities initiative to support the recruitment and retention of newcomers in the community.

## OPERATIONS

- Discontinuation of the Hallé Street Housing Development Project as two of the three funding applications to support the development of the subdivision plan were denied, thereby increasing the financial contribution required from the Municipality to complete the project.

