



2024 YEAR IN REVIEW





ACTIONS OF COUNCIL QUICK STATS



20 Meetings of Council

10 Meetings of Committee of the Whole

65 Meetings of Sub Committees

51 Council Information Packages

244 Staff Reports to Council

28 Delegations to Council

4 Planning Public Meetings

74 By-laws Enacted

Council approved two new committees

- **Agriculture Advisory Committee** to provide agricultural perspectives related to municipal operations and practices.
- **Library Review Ad Hoc Committee** to review the various options available with respect to the future of the three-branch library system and bring forward a recommendation to Council.

Grants and Donations Program

Council gave **15** community groups/organizations a combined donation of **\$24,962** as well as granting many in-kind contributions such as staff time, venues and equipment use.

Council granted the following 2024 budget requests to local partners

Severn Sound Environmental Association

- \$131,068 **Municipal Core**
- \$9,045 **Risk Management**
- \$13,826 **Intake Monitoring**
- \$12,724 **Sustainable Severn Sound**

- \$10,000 **Culture Alliance**
- \$12,500 **Georgian Bay Physician Recruitment**
- \$25,000 **Georgian Bay General Hospital**



2024 YEAR IN REVIEW | OPERATIONS



9.92 km
of roads
resurfaced



140
streetlights
replaced with LEDs



16
Trees Planted

276 km
of roads maintained



3
Replacement fleet



41 km
of sidewalk
maintained



7800
sand tonnes acquired
for the 2024/2025
winter season



Rosemount Road Bridge 5 Replacement

This upgrade replaced old infrastructure that had reached the end of its life cycle, ensuring safer and more efficient passage for traffic. The modern steel bridge is a significant improvement over the original, reflecting advancements in materials and construction techniques.



Ninth Avenue Watermain Replacement

The watermain replacement was necessary to improve water flow, reduce maintenance issues, and ensure reliable and safe drinking water delivery to the affected area. Replacing older infrastructure helps prevent leaks, water quality issues, and disruptions in service, ensuring long-term sustainability for the community's water system.



Diesel Pump & Tanks Replacement

The Township had four pumps installed in 2024, all certified signage, lighting, and software. This upgrade allows staff to track, manage, and report on fuel usage and debit individual truck accounts for fuel purchase.



Meet the Fleet Event

Tay Township celebrated Public Works Week (May 19-25) with its first-ever 'Meet the Fleet' event, giving residents a chance to learn how Public Works professionals keep our community safe and enjoyable year-round. The event was a great success and will now be held annually in Tay Township.





TAY TOWNSHIP

2024 YEAR IN REVIEW | PARKS RECREATION & FACILITIES



Performed ground maintenance activities at **40** properties



Completed snow removal and salting for **25** municipal facilities



Community Centre Rentals



Pitch In Bags Provided



215
TOTS Soccer Registrations

470
Day Camp Registrations



33+ hours of free public use per week at the Tay Community Rink and **400+** rentals in 2024



250
Baseball Diamond Rentals

350
Active Living Program Registrations



Tay Community Rink

A \$316,500 Community Building Fund Capital Grant provided upgrades to the Tay Community Rink. Funds from the grant were used to convert the Rink's storage room into changerooms, including additional accessible washrooms and shower facilities.



Waverley Rink

As part of the Operational Services Capital Budget program for 2024, upgrades to the Waverley Outdoor Rink surface were planned. These upgrades included, a new 50X80 asphalt multi-use sport/activity surface, refurbished outdoor rink boards and new line markings (on asphalt) for two pickleball courts.



Horticulture Committee

The purpose of the Tay Township Horticulture Committee is to foster civic pride, environmental responsibility and beautification through community participation in horticulture. This group keeps the Township looking festive each season! To learn more about this committee visit tay.ca/horticulture.





2024 YEAR IN REVIEW | WATER & WASTEWATER



923, 719.00 m³

Total Treated Water Flows 2024
Tay Area Drinking Water System

10, 812 m³

Total Treated Water Flows 2024
Rope Drinking Water System

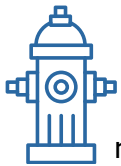


716, 416 m³

Victoria Harbour Wastewater Treatment Plant
Final Effluent 2024

424, 606.00 m³

Port McNicoll Wastewater Treatment Plant
Final Effluent 2024



9
hydrants
replacements



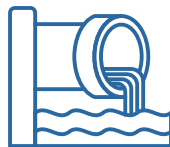
8 main valve repairs



4 watermain repairs
10 water meters upgraded



1
new sample station
installation



3.95 km
of sewer
flushing and
CCTV



10
curb stop box/service line repairs
2 sewer lateral repairs



Tay Township received **100%** on the inspection for the Minister's Annual Report on Drinking Water for Tay Area and Rope Water Treatment Plants.

Standpipe Mixers for Port McNicoll, Victoria Harbour and Waubaushene



The installation of new mixers in the Port McNicoll, Victoria Harbour and Waubaushene standpipes was an important upgrade to ensure better water quality and infrastructure longevity. The installation of these mixers is a proactive step in enhancing the long-term reliability of the water distribution system and improving the safety of the local water supply.





2024 YEAR IN REVIEW | FIRE DEPARTMENT

324
EMERGENCY CALLS



15
Fire Calls



5
Rescue Calls



46
Activated Alarm Calls



17
Dangerous Conditions Calls



19
Burn Complaints



37
Public Service Calls



141
Medical Emergency Calls

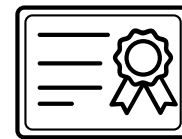


44
Vehicle Collision Calls



ADVANCED TRAINING

- Live Fire Training
- Flashover
- Firefighter Survival Training
- Pumper Operations
- DZ License & Driver Response
- Simcoe Paramedics Annual Quality Care Program
- SP 100 Wildland Firefighting Training



ACCREDITATION & COMPLIANCE

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & EDUCATION

- Canada Day
- Portarama
- Tay Bike Day
- Tree Lighting
- School Visits and Youth Day
- Toy and Food Drives
- Hall Tours

- Maintained Fire Underwriters Superior Tanker Shuttle Accreditation
- Annual Emergency Management Program Compliance
- Took delivery of a New Pumper for Station 4 Port McNicoll

15
NEW RECRUITS
(including direct hires)



76 **TOTAL**
VOLUNTEER
FIREFIIGHTERS



1,635
BURN PERMITS
ISSUED



2024 YEAR IN REVIEW | PLANNING



25
**ZONING BY-LAW
AMENDMENT
APPLICATIONS RECEIVED**



4
**PRE-CONSULTATIONS
HELD**



1
**PLAN OF
SUBDIVISION
EXTENSION GRANTED**

**COMMITTEE OF
ADJUSTMENT**



25 **Minor Variances
Applications Received**



21 **Consent
Applications
Received**

**HERITAGE
COMMITTEE**



- Various heritage displays set up in the Municipal Office lobby.
- Members attended Portarama with an informative display on trains in Tay.
- Created and distributed flyer on Heritage Property Designation.



2024 YEAR IN REVIEW | BUILDING



256
BUILDING
PERMITS
ISSUED



802
INSPECTIONS
CONDUCTED



8 Order to Remedy an Unsafe Building **Issued**
6 Order to Remedy an Unsafe Building **Closed**



1 Stop Work Order **Issued**
1 Stop Work Order **Closed**



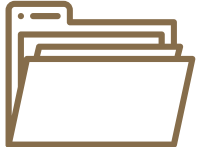
31 Orders to Comply **Issued**
23 Orders to Comply **Closed**



\$202,350 Collected Building Permit Fees



2024 YEAR IN REVIEW | BY-LAW



206
NUMBER OF FILES
OPENED



425
NUMBER OF BOAT LAUNCH
PARKING PERMITS



194
NUMBER OF
FILES CLOSED



22
NUMBER OF DOGS RETURNED
TO OWNERS



1,183
PATROLS
CONDUCTED OF
OUR PARKS



43 Hours
SPENT PATROLLING THE TAY
SHORE TRAIL



1,283 Calls Received

EDUCATION CAMPAIGN



Continued to hand out **rack cards** with education related to **Winter Parking Regulations** and **Fire Permit Rules and Guidelines**, making this information easily accessible to everyone.





2024 YEAR IN REVIEW | LEGISLATIVE SERVICES



50
MARRIAGE LICENCES ISSUED



22
MARRIAGE CEREMONIES PERFORMED



68
COMMISSIONS



11
LOTTERY LICENCES ISSUED



15
FOI REQUESTS PROCESSED



23
CEMETERY INTERMENTS
11
CEMETERY LOT SALES

SPECIAL PROJECTS



Cemeteries

2024 was Tay's first year owning/operating **3** active [cemeteries](#). **Victoria Harbour Union Cemetery, Waverley United Church Cemetery and Waubaushene Protestant Cemetery.**

Local Government Day in Tay

Tay Township invited the local elementary school's grade 5 class to the Municipal Office to learn about local governance, council and staff roles, and participated in an open Q&A, and a mini "meet the fleet."

Records Transfers

Legislative Services conducted **2** record transfers to the Simcoe County Archives.

SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE EVENTS



The Committee hosts free events throughout the year that aim to promote social engagement and education for seniors in the community.

- Continued to host **free Seniors Talks**. In 2024, topics covered were Mental Health and Addictions, The Cost of Healthy Eating, Social Isolation and Connection, Community Supports: Home Care and Community Supports: Transportation, Nutrition, Reassurance Checks, and Ontario Health @ Home.
- Hosted **free group pole walking** sessions through the year.



2024 YEAR IN REVIEW | FINANCE

The **overall increase for a residential property tax bill for 2024** including **County and Education** taxes was **3.75%**.

For an **average home in Tay assessed at \$250,000** this was an increase of **\$106.98 per year**.

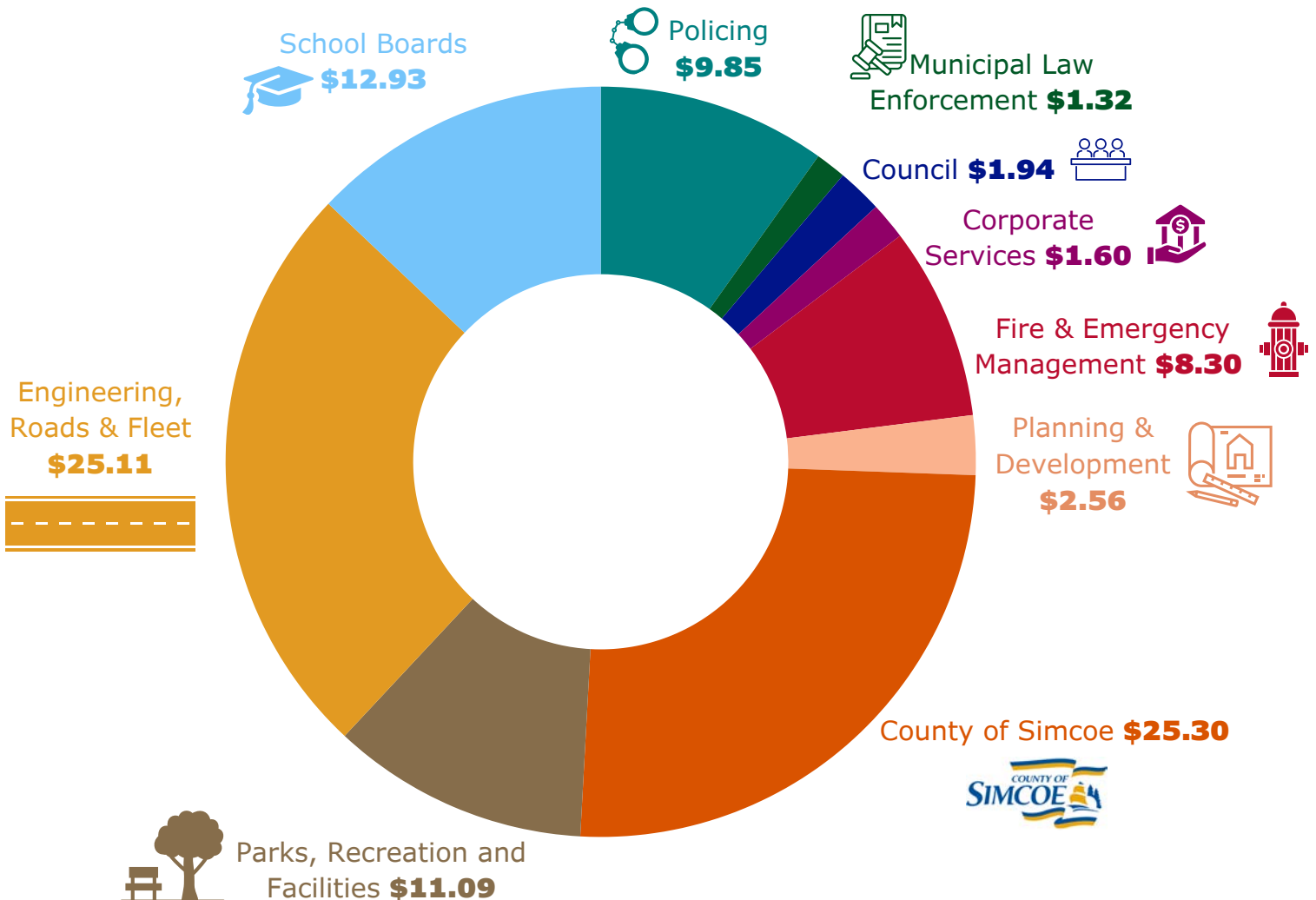


Per \$100 of property taxes collected:

\$25.30 dollars support Simcoe County services

\$12.93 dollars support publicly-funded education

\$61.77 dollars support Tay Township services





2024 YEAR IN REVIEW | [COMMUNICATIONS](#)



Published **240** notices on the [Township Website](#). Including News and Public Notices, Employment, Recreation and Events, Service Disruptions and Information and General Interest.



Maintain **4** social media channels including Facebook, X (twitter), YouTube and LinkedIn.



Shared **741** Community Events on [Tay Township Community Events Calendar](#).



2,352 [Facebook](#) Followers

1,904 [X \(twitter\)](#) Followers

1,274 [LinkedIn](#) Followers

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Electronic Signs

Six new digital electronic signs were installed, significantly enhancing accessibility across the Township. With their clear, easy-to-read format, they ensure that important information is readily available to all residents, including those who may not use social media or have access to our website. These signs serve as an inclusive resource, keeping those in our community informed and engaged with updates and events in a convenient and effective way.

TEE OFF WITH TAY

The community came together in full force for the inaugural Mayor's Charity Golf Tournament, "Tee Off With Tay," held on Friday, August 16, 2024, at the Midland Golf & Country Club. The event proved to be a tremendous success, raising \$68,000 to support vital community initiatives. These funds had a direct, meaningful impact on our local community, supporting programs at Waypoint, our two local schools, and funding for the MRI machine at GBGH. [Check out this video](#) that highlights how this tournament made a difference at St. Antoine Daniel Catholic School.



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2024 YEAR IN REVIEW | TAY TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY



24,338
IN PERSON VISITS



46,273

TOTAL PHYSICAL
ITEMS CIRCULATED

PROGRAMS



310 NUMBER OF PROGRAMS
6,018 PROGRAM ATTENDANCE



12,017
TOTAL E-MATERIALS CIRCULATED
• E-Books • E-Audiobooks • E-Periodicals



1,382
COMPUTER USE/SESSIONS



INTER-LIBRARY LOANS

438 BORROWED

650 LENT



9,837
WEBSITE VISITS



179
TOTAL PASSES CIRCULATED
• Wye Marsh • Huronia Museum
• Ontario Parks

AT THE LIBRARY YOU HAVE ACCESS TO:



Weekly **Game Night** for kids



Weekly **Chess, Mahjong,** and **Sit and Stitch** groups



Three weekly **Storytimes** for different age groups



Monthly themed **Family Craft Parties** with a book reading



March Break and **TD Summer Reading Club** activities



[Reciprocal borrowing](#) with 7 other local libraries



Books, DVDs, Blu-Rays, Video Games, Audio Books



Ontario Parks, Wye Marsh, and Huronia Museum [Passes](#)



E-Books and **Audio Books** on your device with [cloudLibrary](#)



Online Magazines and **Newspapers** with [PressReader](#)



Comics and **Graphic Novels** on your device with [ComicsPlus](#)



Computers and 24/7 **WiFi Access**

**AND SO MUCH MORE IN OUR BRANCHES
PLAN A VISIT AND REGISTER FOR A LIBRARY CARD, IT'S FREE!**





2024 YEAR IN REVIEW | AROUND THE COMMUNITY



Crime Stoppers Month

Tay Township proclaimed January as Crime Stoppers Month. Mayor Ted Walker, Council and Staff raised the flag with Crime Stoppers of Simcoe Dufferin Muskoka. Thank you to our community agencies, law enforcement, media and citizens who make our community safer.



Tay Township Proclaims February as Black History Month

Black History Month is an important time to learn about the stories and many important contributions of local Black Canadians to the settlement, growth and development of Simcoe County.



#ITSTARTS Campaign

Tay Township joined the County of Simcoe to promote the #ITSTARTS campaign. The program is designed to take a proactive step towards addressing racism and discrimination in Simcoe County and run the entire month of March.



World Autism Awareness Day

Tay Township proclaimed April 2, 2024 as World Autism Day, helping to highlight the work done throughout the province and the work that still needs to be done to remove systemic barriers and help children, youth, and adults on the autism spectrum live their best life.



Children's Mental Health Week

Mayor Walker proclaimed May 1 to 7 as Children's Mental Health Week in Tay Township. Raising awareness about the importance of child and youth mental health is crucial to helping reduce stigma associated with accessing vital support.





2024 YEAR IN REVIEW | AROUND THE COMMUNITY



Act on Litter Day!

#TeamTay supported #ActONLitter helping to make our community cleaner and healthier. Tay Township supplies pitch-in bags and picks up full bags of garbage from community groups that want to organize clean up events during the month of April.



National Public Works Week

Tay Township thanked our dedicated Operational Services staff who go above and beyond to provide the community with front-line services that safeguard and enhance the quality of life in our Township.



Ruth Esterbrooks named 2024 Tay Township Citizen of the Year

Congratulations to Ruth Esterbrooks on being named the 2024 Tay Township Citizen of the Year! Council and staff were able to celebrate Ruth at the Regular Council Meeting on Wednesday April 24, 2024.



Seniors' Month

Mayor Walker declared June as Seniors' Month in Tay Township, recognizing and celebrating the many accomplishments of our Tay seniors.



Fierté Simcoe Pride

Mayor Walker proclaimed July 29 to August 11, 2024 as Fierté Simcoe Pride in Tay Township. Council and Staff celebrated with Fierté Simcoe Pride and raised the Progress Intersex Pride Flag at the Township Office.





2024 YEAR IN REVIEW | AROUND THE COMMUNITY

Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

Council and Staff gathered with Candlelighters Simcoe, Parents of Children with Cancer for a flag-raising to spread awareness for childhood cancer and to recognize the hard work of scientists, healthcare professionals, parent organizations, and volunteers who work to overcome childhood cancer and who provide aid to these families.



National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Mayor Walker proclaimed September 30th as the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation in Tay Township. To commemorate the day, Council and Staff gathered for a flag raising at the Municipal Office. Mayor Walker encouraged all residents to reflect on how we can move forward together.



Poppy Flag Raising

Mayor Walker, Council and members of our local Legions gathered to raise the Poppy Flag and show support for our veterans and their families, and help kick off the 2024 Poppy Campaign.



Tay Canada Day



National Volunteer Week



**THANK YOU! ❤️
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VOLUNTEERS!**





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