



## COUNCILLOR

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Welcome to the fifteenth update of Trent Lakes Council activities. I hope you find the contents informative. Please share with me your questions, comments and feedback.

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On page 2, you will see information about:

- Trent Lakes' progress in continuing to reduce landfill waste and to divert more materials for reuse/recycling
- 2022 Municipal budget and taxes. Note that Trent Lakes *reduced* the tax rate slightly for this year.

# TRENT LAKES

## COUNCIL UPDATE

Highlights of Trent Lakes Council Meetings

through **JUNE 2022**

### COUNCIL DECISIONS

- Extend and expand Foodcycler (Indoor Composter Appliance) Pilot - 250 units. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/22mC5MS>
- Approve summer hard/bulky plastics recycling program
- Approve new Traffic Bylaw formalizing speed limits, signage, Community Safety Zones and restrictions
- Approve upgrades and repairs to bring Buckhorn Sportspad into code requirements
- Approve 3 year rotating program for BlackCat traffic data collection and reporting
- Award RFP for Open Spaces and Trail System Master Plan
- Approve Asset Management Plan
- Award RFP for an Economic Development and Recovery Strategy
- Approve "Disconnect from Work" Policy for office staff
- Approve the status quo option for the existing Buckhorn Sportspad and cease any further consideration of changes to the Buckhorn Sportspad in the current location; Direct staff to continue operating the Buckhorn Sportspad in its present condition
- Schedule a Public Meeting for Dewdney Mountain Quarry Application – August 10, 2022
- Award RFP for playground installation at Ode Naang Park
- Per new regulations, delegate all site plan approvals to the Chief Building Officer
- Support the Trent Severn Waterway 10 year Management Plan

**NOTE:** These are updates selected by me to keep the public informed. Any errors or omissions are mine alone. For more, and to see video recordings of past Council meetings, go to [www.trentlakes.ca/council/meetings-agendas-minutes/](http://www.trentlakes.ca/council/meetings-agendas-minutes/)

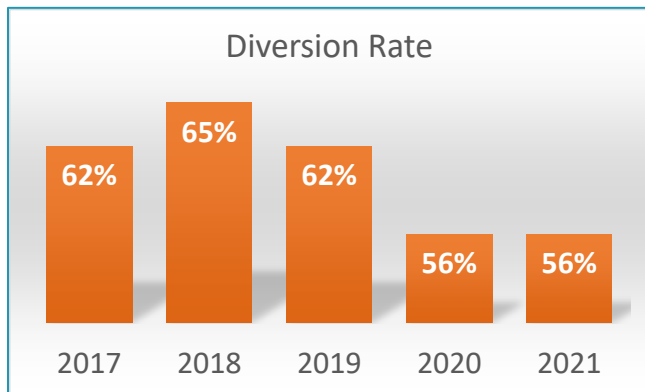
### Reminder

There is a Municipal election in October. As a taxpayer in Trent Lakes, you can (and should) vote here. Please take the time to research the candidates and decide who is best qualified to represent you on Council. Candidates can file their application May 2<sup>nd</sup> to August 19<sup>th</sup>. The current list of candidates can be found at: <https://www.trentlakes.ca/en/government/unofficial-list-of-candidates.aspx>

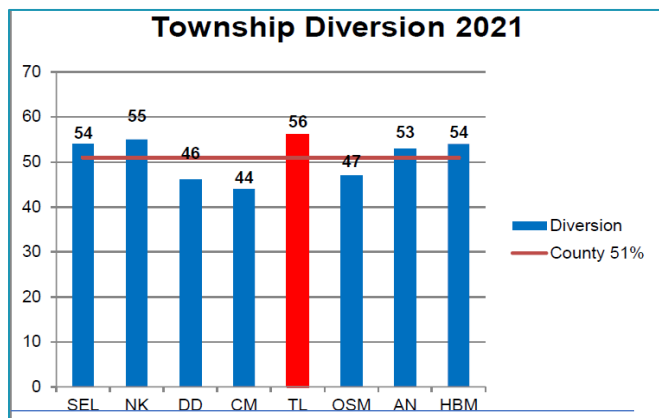
# 2021 Waste Report



- Landfill waste declined steadily with intro of clear bags and expansion of alternatives.
- 2020 and 2021 growth driven exclusively by an increase in full time residents (COVID)



- Diversion Rate declined in 2020 and 2021 due to fewer options (No bottle donation, reuse centre, clothing drop, hazardous waste, etc.)



- Trent Lakes still leads the County in its diversion away from landfill.

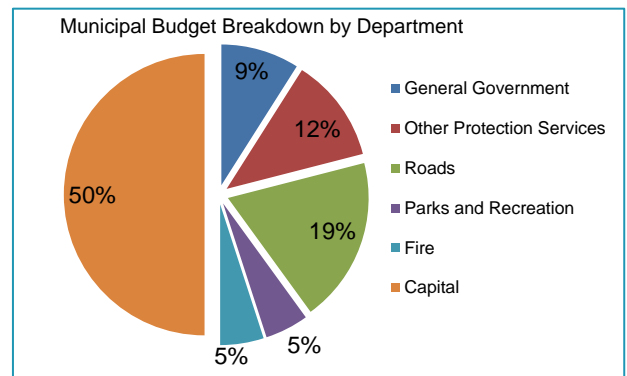
Event	Date	Information
Bulky Plastics Recycling Program	• May 2-Oct 31	• All transfer stations
FoodCycler Pilot Program	• May 2 – Registration open, space is limited	• Requirement: 12-week tracking period June - August
Mattress Collection Events	• May 27-29 • Sept 21, 22, 24, 25	• Bobcaygeon Transfer Station • Buckhorn Transfer Station
Paper Shredding Event	• June 25, 8:00 a.m. to Noon	• Bobcaygeon Transfer Station
Free Compost Material	• June 25 (while supplies last)	• Bobcaygeon Transfer Station • Self-serve, BYO shovel and pail
Mobile Household Hazardous Waste Event	• July 9, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	• Galway Hall, 388 Galway Road

- Trent Lakes Programs to reduce landfill waste. The Foodcycler composter reduces organic waste (~40% of all garbage!!)

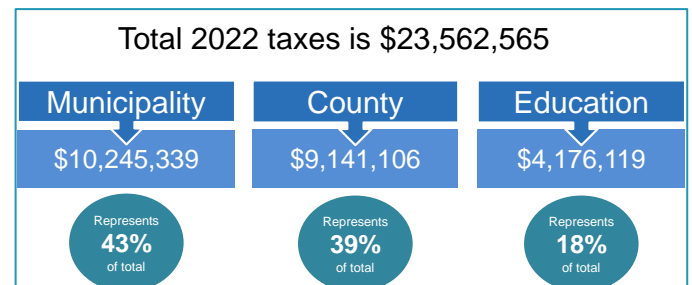
# 2022 Taxes

Budget \$s	2021	2022	% Change	Comments
	Budget 2021 \$14,380,735	Budget 2022 \$22,118,088		
Operating	\$10,472,213	\$11,059,954	5.6%	Public Works and Other Protective Svcs = 56% of increase
Capital	\$3,908,521	\$11,058,133	182.9%	New Public Works/Parks & Rec Bldg

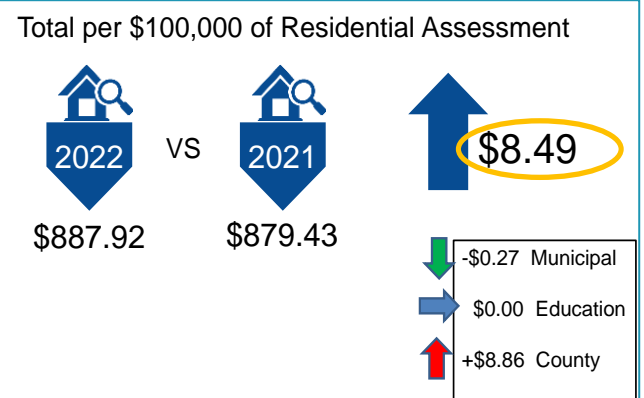
- Taxes will fund \$10,245,399 of the \$22,118,088 budget; Reserves, Grants and Fees will fund the rest



- After Capital, largest expenses are for protective services (roads, fire, OPP and building & planning)



- Trent Lakes collects taxes for the Municipality, County and Education



- Total taxes are up slightly less than 1%, YOY, driven solely by the County increase