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Welcome to the 3rd newsletter for this term of Council!! Summer has finally arrived, the lakes are warming up and it's time to get outside and enjoy our beautiful natural surroundings!!

Your Council has set an ambitious agenda for this term and is currently moving forward with the new centralized mechanics building on County Road 49 and Phase 2 of the Short Term Rental Plan.

This summer, the Mayor and Deputy Mayor have scheduled 5 Town Hall meetings, throughout the Municipality. These are informal, drop-in sessions where residents can raise their concerns, issues and ideas and have a dialogue with Mayor Lamshead and myself. Remaining dates and places are:

DATE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION
08-Jul	Saturday	10 to 12	Buckhorn Community Centre
15-Jul	Saturday	10 to 12	Oak Shores Community Centre
22-Jul	Saturday	10 to 12	Cavendish Hall
29-Jul	Saturday	10 to 12	Lakehurst Hall

Anyone is welcome at any of the sessions. Hope to see you there!!!!

TRENT LAKES

COUNCIL UPDATE

Highlights of Trent Lakes Council Meetings
April/May/June 2023

COUNCIL DECISIONS:

- Finalize the Strategic Plan for this term of Council. Link here: [Strategic Plan](#)

Key goals are:

1. **Have the Best Policies in Place to Streamline Municipal Processes.**
 2. **Have Infrastructure in Place in Order to Best Support Future Growth of the Municipality.**
 3. **Better Communicate the Vision of Trent Lakes.**
 4. **Take the Lead on Initiating Environmental Stewardship for the Community.**
 5. **Continue to Build Relationships for the Community**
- Approve and adopt the Open Spaces Implementation Plan - Enhancement of outdoor spaces and new trails
 - Initiate annual Joint Council Meeting with Curve Lake First Nations, Selwyn & North Kawartha
 - Explore alternatives for septic inspections – PTBO Public Health discontinuing in November 2024
 - Q1 Operations Summary Reporting - [Q1 2023 Operations Report](#)
 - Buckhorn District Health Centre will designate a room for visiting social and community services
 - Conduct Flood Plain Mapping in Nogies Creek and Miskwaa Ziibi areas (~400 properties)
 - Update Community Grants Policy to include a more rigorous Evaluation Matrix (Note that the municipality awards about \$50,000 each year to community organizations.)
 - Phase in requirements for the License of Occupation Policy – Docks on municipal road allowances require a license. (NOT applicable to docks on shoreline road allowances fronting on private properties.)
 - Pickleball Courts and equipment now available at Cavendish Community Centre (Thanks to Councillor Cadigan and Cavendish Culture and Recreation Committee!!!)
 - Lumber (Good Condition) now accepted at all transfer stations for reuse. Continued efforts to divert waste!
 - Bylaw enforcement services are available on nights and weekends for a 2-month trial. Call TAS for after hours bylaw issues like noise, fireworks, etc. (1-800-374-4009 extension 311)
 - COMING: Administrative Penalty System (AMP) to impose and collect penalty fines for bylaw noncompliance. This will take the process out of the court system and allow for a faster, easier and more effective enforcement process.

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/

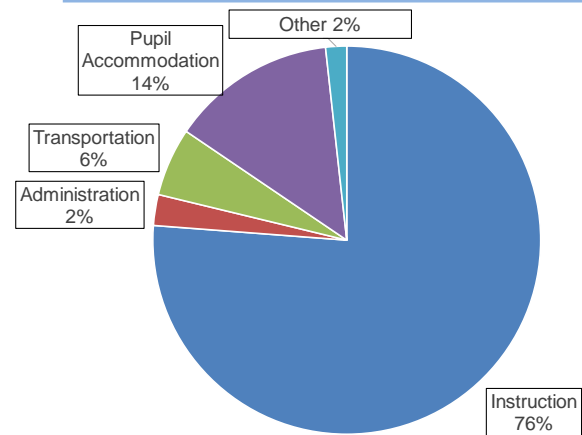
Trent Lakes is proud to be a vibrant, resilient, sustainable and environmentally friendly community.

2023 TAX BUDGETS

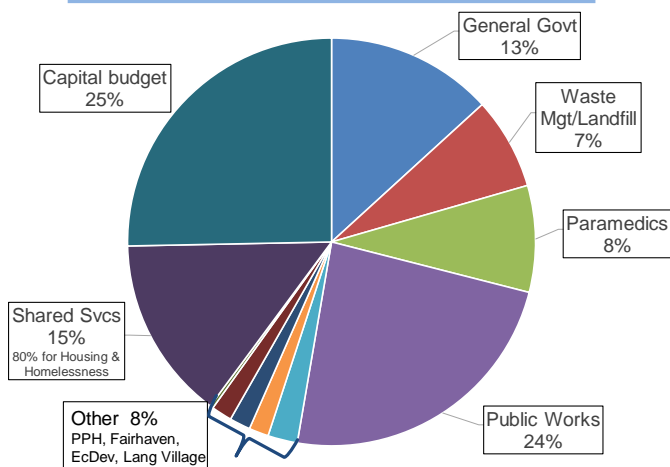
Total Dollars to be Collected

Jurisdiction	\$	YOY %
County	\$9,594,115.00	3.9%
Education	\$4,204,548.68	0.6%
Municipality	\$10,523,629.60	2.1%
Total	\$24,322,293.28 (\$911.15 per \$100,000 of assessed value)	2.9%

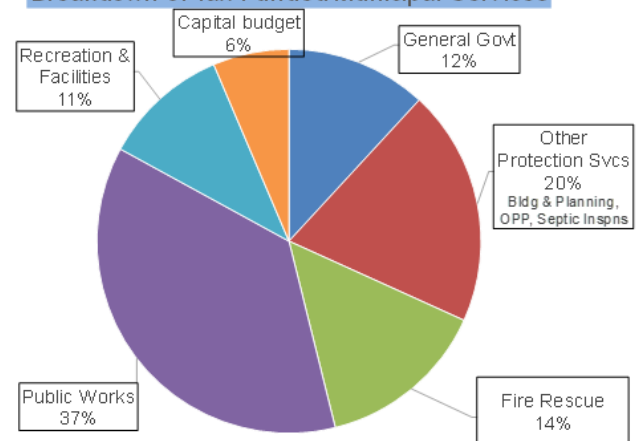
Breakdown of Tax-Funded EDUCATION Services



Breakdown of Tax Funded COUNTY Services



Breakdown of Tax Funded Municipal Services



NOTE: Trent Lakes residents pay:

- 100% of Municipal taxes
- 18% of County taxes
- 4% of Education taxes

NEWS about Internet and Cell Service!!!

Cell Service Expansion (Wireless / Mobile Technology):

➤ Eastern Ontario Regional Network (EORN) awarded a contract to Rogers 2021; contract thru 2025

- Upgrading 321 existing towers to 5G (25 in PTBO County: COMPLETE)
- Building 261 new towers (24 in PTBO County: 4 COMPLETE (1 planned for Crystal Lake Road))
- Funded by Fed, Prov & County Govts and Corps (~\$300M)
- To see the Current Status, go to: [The EORN Cell Gap Project \(arcgis.com\)](https://arcgis.com)

Broadband (Fixed Technology):

➤ Province of Ontario held a reverse auction for providers in 2022

- Bell is one of the successful bidders in Trent Lakes
- NEW Hi Speed Fibre Optic cable is targeted for availability in our area March 2025
- Mostly above ground cable will be strung along existing Hydro poles; some cables will be encased and run underwater
- Surveying is complete
- You can see where the cable is being placed by going to <https://www.ontario.ca/page/ontario-connects-making-high-speed-internet-accessible-in-every-community>
- Type in Trent Lakes and zoom in on your area of the map
- Connection and service will be offered to *all* regardless of current service provider