



Council approved the 2023 Township Capital and Operating Budget on May 10, 2023. Township Staff and Council worked diligently on the budget, adjusting and finding efficiencies wherever possible. The 2023 budget is significant to building a strong fiscal foundation for this year and into the future. You will see within this tax billing an increase in the municipal tax rate. The Township faced several unavoidable and unique pressures this year leading to a larger increase than typically established.

As with other municipalities and like running your own household, we are faced with higher insurance rates and inflationary costs of capital purchases, fuel, materials, and construction. Simply put, it costs more today to provide the same level of service our residents rely on, like, roads, fire services, police services, and parks. Council will continue to find efficiencies wherever possible leading into our next budget cycle.

A large portion of the budget increase is an \$800,000 contribution to our reserves so the Township can ensure we have safe roads and bridges to drive on and the service levels of our fire department and public works are not undermined. It is the goal of the Township to return to a more sustainable and stable annual reserve contribution. Over the past few years there were no contributions to the Township reserve funds, leaving many depleted. These funds are important for short and long-term planning for many capital projects such as buying a new plow truck, a new fire truck, building a new bridge and rehabilitation of roads – all services which I know are important to you.

Communication is important for Council and we welcome your input. There are several ways to share your comments. You may provide public input at our Council meetings on a specific agenda topic, contact the Township Office or any Member of Council by phone or email. Council recently held a “Coffee with Council” open house and we will continue to host open houses throughout the Council term to engage with our residents often.

One of the most common concerns from our residents is speeding and traffic on our roadways. The OPP patrols our roads and the Township is in contact with the police regularly to provide areas of concern. Most of our residents’ commute to work or travel outside of the Township for day-to-day services. Please slow down, abide by all traffic laws, and remember to be respectful of the community you drive through – treat the community like your own neighbourhood.

On behalf of Council, I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable summer with friends and family.

Very truly yours,

Scott W. Anderson, Mayor

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## Your Property Tax Information

Tax bills are issued twice per year with each bill having two installment due dates. It is the property owner's responsibility to ensure payments are received on or before the due date. Please allow sufficient time to mail your payment or for your online payment to be processed (2-3 business days).

Late payments are subject to penalties of 1.25% added on the first day of default, and on the first day of each month thereafter.

Final Tax Due Dates	1st Installment Due	2nd Installment Due
Residential, Farm and Managed Forest	July 31, 2023	September 29, 2023
Commercial and Industrial	August 31, 2023	October 31, 2023

## New Billing Format

The Township has implemented a plain paper format for Property Tax bills. No perforation will be included. All information on the bill will remain the same.

## Understanding Your Property Assessment

The Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) is responsible for assessing and classifying all properties within Ontario. To understand how the assessment of your property is determined and how it will affect your property taxes please visit [www.mpac.ca](http://www.mpac.ca) or call 1-866-296-6722.

## How We Pay for the Services in our Community

To maintain the necessary infrastructure and services that support residents in their daily lives, the Township receives funding from Property Taxes, User Fees and transfers from other levels of Government.

### Did you know?

Out of **every dollar** collected in Property Taxes, **only 44 cents** is retained by the Township.

Payment Options				
Online Payment through a Financial Institution	Credit Card (Visa or Mastercard) Subject to a 2.5% fee	Preauthorized Payment Plan (Registration Required)	In Person at the Municipal Centre	Mail
Internet or Telephone Banking	Available: <a href="http://www.adjtos.ca">www.adjtos.ca</a>  Online Payments Webpage	Available: <a href="http://www.adjtos.ca">www.adjtos.ca</a>  Property Tax Webpage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Debit</li><li>• Cash</li><li>• Cheque</li><li>• After hours Dropbox</li></ul>	7855 Sideroad 30 Alliston, Ontario L9R 1V1 Attn: Finance Department



## Report a By-law Concern using Cloudpermit

Have you seen a By-law infraction you would like our By-law Department to investigate? Report it online using Cloudpermit - an online system to quickly and easily create and submit concerns. To access Cloudpermit, visit the Report a Concern webpage on our website.



## Did You Know?

Your burn permits and dog tags need to be renewed annually. Visit us at [www.adjtos.ca](http://www.adjtos.ca) to renew and pay online using your credit card (fees apply).

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