

Corporation of The Township of Stone Mills

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2023 TAXES AND ASSESSMENT

PLEASE NOTE THE DUE DATES FOR TAXES ARE THE 25th OF JULY AND THE 25TH OF SEPTEMBER. Penalty and Interest is charged on the 1st of the month at a rate of 1.25% after the taxes have become delinquent. This year's tax bills are one page, with the 2 stubs located at the bottom for easy tear off and attachment to your payment. Please return the appropriate stub(s) with your payment. Receipts are only mailed if you return the full page and request a receipt. Failure to receive a tax bill does not exempt a taxpayer from penalty.

PRE-AUTHORIZED PAYMENT (PAP) IS AVAILABLE – The PAP form is available on the website or at the Township office. If you are already set up with PAP, the bill is for information purposes only. Please note that a \$25.00 administration fee is charged for all returned payments.

Assessment is completed by the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC). This provincially regulated body employs a variety of methods to determine the value of your property. For further Property Assessment information, please contact MPAC at 1-866-296-MPAC (6722) or visit their website at www.mpac.on.ca **Please note the deadline for filing a Request for Reconsideration for the 2023 taxation year for a Residential property is printed on your assessment notice.**

2023 Budget

On April 3, 2023, the Township of Stone Mills approved a 2023 budget totaling \$13,573,930.78. The Municipal portion to be raised through property taxation is \$6,392,438.83. In order to raise this amount, the Township of Stone Mills residential tax levy will increase by 4.56%. It is the Township's responsibility to levy on behalf of the County of Lennox and Addington and the Ministry of Education. The County's Levy is \$5,516,517.74 and the Education Levy is \$1,664,974.20

The average residential household assessment in 2023 was \$228,299.60. The 2023 average assessment remains unchanged due to MPAC not updating the assessments due to Covid limitations. Based on this information a household with a \$228,299.60 assessment would expect an increase of \$64.95 for their municipal portion of taxes. When the county and education levies are added, the average household increase will be approximately \$122.54.

Budget Highlights: The 2023 Budget was completed with a mandate to minimize the tax increase to ratepayers, maintain a prioritized capital project approach by investing dollars into projects which will have the greatest impact and/or reduce overhead costs in future years by asset replacement or renewal.

Fire: The Stone Mills Fire Department (SMFD) will be purchasing a new quick rescue apparatus to replace the existing Rescue 741 located at Station 4 – Tamworth. Replacement auto extrication tools will also be purchased for Station 4 – Tamworth. 14 sets of bunker gear will be replaced in 2023 as part of the annual replacement plan. Stone Mills Township has almost 100 active volunteer firefighters throughout the Township. 12 new recruits completed their training and are now on active duty. In 2022 Stone Mills Fire Department responded to 198 calls for service.

9-1-1 is available in our area. If you are enjoying the great outdoors, please know the closest civic address to your location. All residents must ensure their civic address sign is visible from the road way to ensure emergency response have no delay in finding your address in an emergency. NEW signs can be purchased through the public works department 613-378-1435.

Development Services: The Township of Stone Mills Development Services department administers the development approvals process in-house, through the expertise of the Manager

of Development Services, Compliance Coordinator, Chief Building Official and Development Services Clerk. The department is actively expanding through the addition of a Building Inspector / Development Services Officer which will support the department in maintaining its committed customer service delivery through increased application volume and complexity. The department continues to work in partnership with the County of Lennox & Addington through the implementation of the Development Approvals Process (DAP) which will modernize the approvals process in both Planning and Building Services. CityWorks is scheduled to be activated within all lower tier municipalities in the County of Lennox & Addington with initial focus on *Planning Act* applications. The Township of Stone Mills Development Services department continues to provide in-house land use planning expertise, on-site sewage disposal system review, approval and permit regulation. Any questions regarding potential development within the Township, please contact 613-378-2475.

Policing: The Township has recently opted to a Section 5.1 Policing Agreement which is a non-contractual commitment. This agreement is a pay-for-service agreement where the municipality is billed based on call volume. The province is moving towards a detachment-wide movement model.

Roads: The approved budget includes replacing a 94" steel roller and order 2 tandem plow trucks (18-24 month delivery time) to replace units existing equipment. Capital projects include pavement preservation on various roads. Reconstruction on Petworth Road, the purchase of large culvert replacements and bridge design for Flynn Bridge. Yearly maintenance includes grading, dust control, brushing/grass mowing, line painting, sidewalks, and winter control. The Township (lower tier) receives \$1,029,202.88 from the County of Lennox & Addington (upper tier) for maintenance on the 162 kilometers of County roads within the Township.

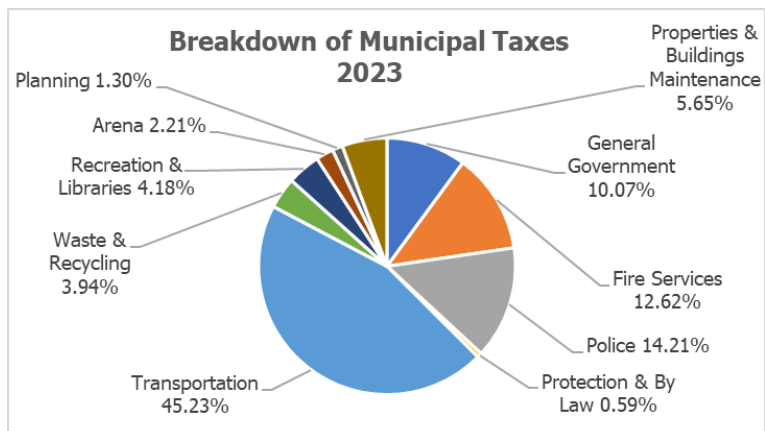
Waste & Recycling: The Township has 3 landfill sites, Camden East: 3087 County Road 4, Moscow: 4965 County Road 6 and Tamworth: 1661 County Road 15. Hours of operation are Wednesdays: 12:00pm – 4:00pm and Saturdays: 8:00am – 4:00pm. To promote the longevity of our landfill sites, we encourage residents to help us increase our recycling efforts. For information on what can be recycled, please visit our website under Waste & Recycling.

Recreation: Swimming lessons for all ages are available at Beaver Lake during July & August 2023. Visit the Beaver Lake Swim Program on Facebook for further details. Indoor pickleball is available in the summer months at the Stone Mills Recreation Centre: Mondays: 7pm – 9pm, Wednesdays: 9am – 11am, Saturdays: 10am – 12pm. Visit our website under the Stone Mills Recreation Centre for further details. The Township's skatepark will be finalized and operational in early June, 2023 - located directly beside the Tamworth Fire Hall at 630 County Road 4. A concrete pad for a new outdoor skating rink at the Yarker Ball Diamond was completed in 2022, and rink boards will be installed on this new pad in 2023. Pickleball lines will also be painted on this outdoor concrete pad for further recreational opportunities. A public open space (parkette) will be completed in fall 2023 at the southeast corner of the County Road 1 & County Road 4 intersection in Camden East, location of the former Camden East Library and Daycare.

The ice rental rates at Stone Mills Recreation Centre for 2023 will be as follows: School Rate: \$129.74, Youth Prime: \$155.64, Adult Prime Rate: \$207.98. For rental opportunities and bookings, please contact the Recreation Centre at 613-379-2349.

Allocation of Stone Mills tax dollars based on \$100,000 of assessment

Allocation of Stone Mills Tax dollars	100,000.00 Assessment
General Government	\$65.73
Fire Services	\$82.43
Police	\$92.79
Protection & By law	\$3.83
Transportation	\$295.31
Waste & Recycling	\$25.74
Recreation & Libraries	\$27.32
Arena	\$14.40
Planning	\$8.48
Properties & Building Maintenance	\$36.92
Total	\$652.95



Total Residential Tax Rate	Assessment	Total Taxes
0.01369415	100,000	\$ 1,369.42
County	41.15%	\$ 563.47
Education	11.17%	\$ 153.00
Township	47.68%	\$ 652.95