

A photograph of a gravel path winding through a forest with many trees and green foliage. The path is in the foreground and leads into the distance.

2024

Municipal Report Card



Tay Valley Township

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2022-2024 Tay Valley
Township Council



2024-2026 Tay Valley
Township Council



Back Row (L-R): Councillors
Korrine Jordan, Andrew Kendrick,
Marilyn Thomas, Angela Pierman,
Greg Hallam, Wayne Baker

Reeve Rob Rainer,
Deputy Reeve Fred Dobbie



Back Row (L-R): Councillors Wayne Baker, Keith Kerr,
Angela Pierman, Marilyn Thomas, Korrine Jordan, Greg Hallam
Front Row (L-R): Reeve Rob Rainer, Deputy Reeve Fred Dobbie

Key Facts

- 5,925 year-round residents (2021), a 4.6% increase since 2016 (5,665)
- 11,850 residents in the summer (2021)
- 528.67 km² area
- 11.2 persons per km²
- 32 named lakes
- 10 named rivers
- 2,503 permanent households
- 4,105 total number of households (includes seasonal)
- \$228,000 median assessed value
- One public and one private elementary school
- Two long-term care homes
- \$126,590 average construction project (2024)
- \$12,912,176 million in development (2024)

Message from the Reeve

The Corporation of Tay Valley Township is pleased to present our Municipal Report Card for 2024! In the following pages we summarize the many accomplishments of and the many highlights in the Township in 2024, across our various municipal departments. I wish to mention a few particularly notable items:

- A 5-Year Update to the Township's Official Plan (OP) was approved by the County of Lanark. The OP is one of the most important documents guiding municipal activity. Led by the Township's Planner, Noelle Reeve, a great deal of work was undertaken over 2023-2024 to help ensure our OP is as current and as relevant as possible.
- The Township made progress toward the goal of completing development in the 50-lot Maberly Pines subdivision, located off Bolingbroke Road in Sherbrooke ward. Most of the lots in this subdivision have remained undeveloped for many years.
- As overseen by Public Works Manager, Sean Ervin, and pursuant to the Township's 10-year Capital Plan, the Township completed the rehabilitation of Lakewood Road in Burgess ward and McVeigh Road, Gambles Side Road Bridge, and the Glen Tay Road Culvert in Bathurst ward.
- Led by CAO/Clerk, Amanda Mabo, the Township filled the positions of Community Services Coordinator, Building and Planning Administrative Assistant, Planning Administrative Assistant, Truck Driver/Operator, and Waste Site Attendant.
- The Township also completed a long-overdue Pay Equity and Compensation Review. As such the Township is now competitive with respect to staff recruitment and retention; this will help to ensure a stable municipal workforce.
- The Township was successful in landing an array of grants with which to support a wide range of new programs and services of value to many people in our community. These included offerings of a Memory Café, Arts and Crafts Workshops, Tai Chi, Yoga, Pickleball, Tennis, Bird Watching, Forest Trail Fitness, and a Footcare Clinic. These activities ran alongside long-standing programs in soccer, hockey, karate, and the Township's own community choir.
- Further community services included 12-week FoodFit programs offered in partnership with The Table Community Food Centre, a Township Diner's Club and community meals, and even a first staging of a Yuk Yuk's Comedy Show!

On behalf of Council, I thank the Township's staff for their steady, dedicated, and diligent work in support of the municipality's many public services. I also wish to thank my fellow Council members for their service to the community: Deputy Reeve Fred Dobbie and ward councillors Wayne Baker, Greg Hallam, Korrine Jordan, Keith Kerr, Angela Pierman, and Marilyn Thomas. The Township is also grateful to the late Andrew Kendrick who served on Council from November 2022 to June 2024.



Reeve, Rob Rainer

Building and Planning



Accomplishments and Highlights in 2024

- Issued building permits for a new commercial metal fabrication shop on Highway 511, a group home for addiction recovery, and energy efficient homes
- Official Plan 5-Year Update approved by Lanark County Council
- Prepared the Site Plan Control Agreement for a new Long Term Care Facility
- The Green Energy and Climate Change Working Group organized a successful sale of composters at the Glen Tay Waste Site. Composting reduces methane emissions.
- Council declared a Climate Change Crisis

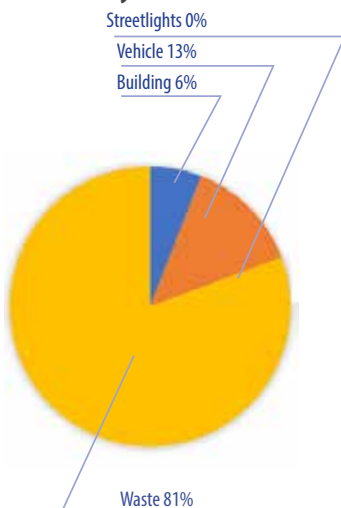


Planning staff: Garry Welsh, Genevieve Neelin, Noelle Reeve, Allison Playfair

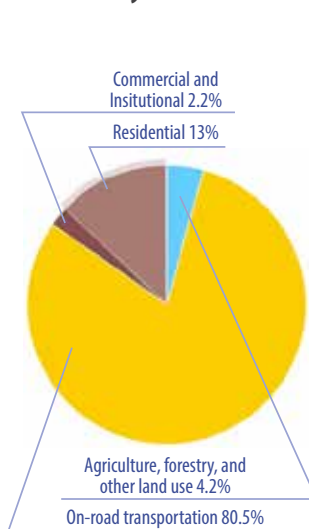


Started a backyard composting campaign

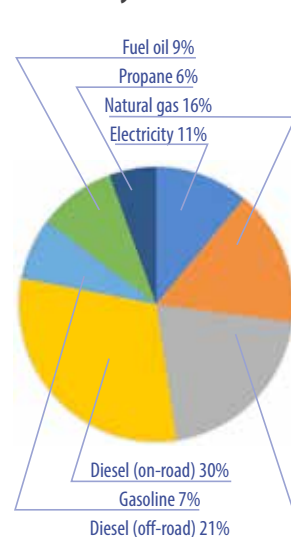
Municipal GHG Emissions by Sector



Community GHG Emissions by Sector



Municipal Energy Consumption by Source



= full-time staff



= part-time staff



= casual staff

Severances

Year	Total Applications	New Lots	Lot Addition	Title Correction	Right-of-way/ Easement
2020	24	17	2	2	3
2021	36	21	9	--	6
2022	29	23	6	--	--
2023	28	14	7	1	6
2024	28	18	4	3	3

Zoning

Year	Total Applications	Limited Residential Services	Rural	Residential	Industrial/ Commercial	Other
2020	24	12	2	7	2	--
2021	19	14	--	2	2	--
2022	16	7	--	1	5	3
2023	13	5	1	1	2	2
2024	14	7	0	2	1	4

Minor Variances

Year	Total Applications	Deck/Porch	Building Setbacks	Lot Size	Other
2020	12	1	8	3	--
2021	24	1	11	7	5
2022	29	--	19	5	5
2023	14	1	10	0	3
2024	13	1	9	1	2

Building Permits

Year	Single Family Dwelling	Cottage	Total Housing	Commercial	Total Applications
2020	19	5	24	4	111
2021	60	12	72	4	176
2022	33	2	35	3	145
2023	26	3	29	2	140
2024	12	2	14	1	104

Public Complaints

Year	Zoning By-Law	Building Without Permit	Total
2020	12	3	15
2021	18	3	21
2022	22	10	32
2023	11	13	24
2024	13	3	16

Site Plan Control and Development Agreements

Year	Total Agreements	Waterbody	Environmental Impact Assessment	Commercial
2020	29	20	9	--
2021	55	41	13	1
2022	54	44	7	3
2023*	17	13	3	2
2024	27	24	0	3

*Province removed the requirements for site plan control agreements for a period of time in 2023

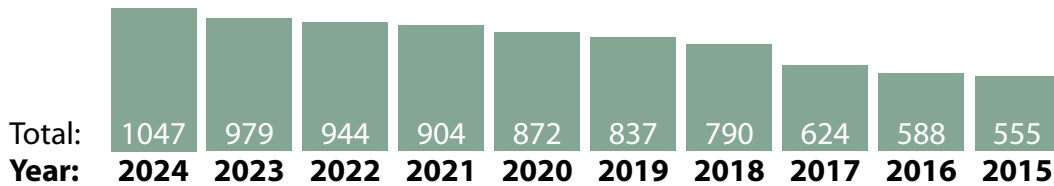
Finance



Accomplishments and Highlights in 2024

- Completed 5-year review of the Development Charges By-Law
- Developed Budget Guidelines
- MyAccount users continue to grow
- The number of property owners registered for electronic billing increased over 20% from 2023, with over 10% of total properties registered for eBilling
- The number property owners registered for Pre-Authorized Payments (PAP) increased

PAP Data

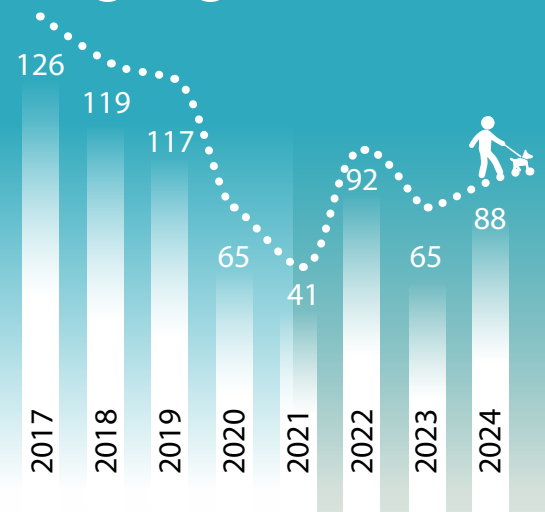


Arts and Crafts

eBilling Data

Year	Total	Mailed	Electronic
2024 Final	5393	4854	539
2024 Interim	5377	4916	461
2023 Final	5387	4977	410
2023 Interim	5380	5032	348
2022 Final	5369	5053	316
2022 Interim	5358	5070	288
2021 Final	5357	5112	245
2021 Interim	5276	5097	179
2020 Final	5352	5289	63

Dog Tags:



Public Works



Accomplishments and Highlights in 2024

- Diverted 330 tonnes of recyclable material from landfill
- Rehabilitated of Lakewood Road: \$514,000 project funded by the Roads Construction Reserve and the Federal Gas Tax
- Rehabilitated of McVeigh Road: \$519,000 project funded by the Roads Construction Reserve and Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund Formula Based Funding
- Resurfaced (Pavement Preservation) of Ashby Road and Crow Lake Road: \$28,000 and \$292,240 projects funded by the Roads Construction Reserve
- Rehabilitated the Gambles Side Road Bridge and the Glen Tay Road Culvert
- Placed maintenance gravel on the Bathurst 6th Concession, Bathurst 7th Concession, Bowes Side Road, McNaughton Road, Stanley Road, Allan's Mill Road, Keays Road and Truelove Road
- Took delivery of a new Tandem Plow Truck and Backhoe
- Added new Roads Patrol software, funded from the Modernization Funding
- Replaced all the lighting at the Municipal Office with new LED fixtures
- Started a backyard composting campaign by selling composters at 50% off and purchasers received a kitchen composter for free
- Added a backup generator at the Maberly Hall and brought the backup generator at the Municipal Office into compliance. These projects were funded by the Community Emergency Preparedness Grant and the Modernization Funding
- Updated the Energy Conservation and Demand Management Plan
- In partnership with the Lanark and District Maple Syrup Producers Association, collected and transported 14,000 pounds of maple tubing and mainline from twenty producers to the recycling plant in Quebec where it was transformed into pellets which are then used to manufacture a wide variety of products such as drainage tubing, plastic containers and elements of playground equipment.

New Tandem
Plow Truck



Type of Service Request	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Grading/Pothole Request	40	39	64	39	42
Civic Address/Entrance Permit Application – Completed	26	74	37	28	21
Civic Address Application (private roads only) - Completed	7	10	4	7	5
Other Requests	24	30	29	37	28
Tree Removal Requests	12	16	14	20	16
Snow Plowing/Snow Removal Requests	6	2	10	3	11
Sanding/Salt Requests	8	3	9	13	5
Frozen Culvert Requests	3	2	7	7	7
Garbage/Waste Complaint or Request (Roadside Littering)	6	8	5	5	4
Brushing Requests	3	9	5	1	6
Drainage/Ditching Request (including washouts)	9	13	4	11	6
Dust Control Requests	1	4	3	4	1
Speeding Complaints	0	0	3	4	3
Cleared Deceased Animals from Road	0	4	2	4	2
Beaver Issues	1	4	1	2	--
Road Hazard Requests (including sinkhole, but other than animals and trees)	4	1	2	2	2
Streetlight Outage Requests	1	0	0	0	0
Parking By-Law Complaints	0	1	0	1	1
Total	148	220	198	188	160



CAO and Clerk's Office



Accomplishments and Highlights in 2024

- Updated the Remuneration and Expense Policy and Open Air Burning By-Law
- Brought Pinehurst Cemetery into compliance
- Recruited a Community Services Coordinator, Building and Planning Administrative Assistant, Planning Administrative Assistant, Truck Driver/Operator, Waste Site Attendant
- Completed a Pay Equity and Compensation Review for Township staff and Council
- Filled Council Vacancy with provincial requirements
- Annual support of the OPP Angel Tree

Accomplishments

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
By-Laws	61	66	45	65	57	52	59	73
Council Meetings Held	14	25	17	26	18	24	24	22
Committee of the Whole Meetings Held	12	14	20	13	12	15	10	24
Staff Reports to Council	85	97	119	141	118	95	109	105
Resolutions Passed	291	257	253	333	292	327	294	265
Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Requests	7	3	9	4	12	1	14	2
Refreshment Vehicle Licenses	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	1

Office Staff at Halloween



Accessible Trail in Forest Trail Park



Key Challenges for the Upcoming Year

- Constantly changing Provincial legislation and regulations
- Downloading from the Province
- More complicated reporting to the Province
- Infrastructure funding for roads and bridges
- Impact of the tariffs

Office Staff at Christmas Time



OPP Angel Tree



Community Holiday Meal at Maberly Hall



Arts and Crafts Workshops



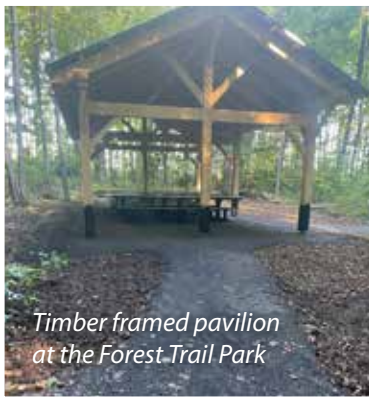
Yoga at The Maberly Hall

Community Services



Accomplishments and Highlights in 2024

- Received over \$232,800 in grants to improve Township parks and recreation facilities, retained a Sports and Recreation Coordinator and continued to introduce community programming and activities including Memory Café, Arts and Crafts Workshops, Tai Chi, Yoga, Pickleball, Tennis, Bird Watching, Forest Trail Fitness, Footcare Clinic, and a number of workshops
- Continued to run the long-standing programs for soccer, hockey, karate and the choir
- In partnership with The Table, held additional 12-week FoodFit programs
- Held first Yuk Yuk's Comedy Show
- Introduced the Tay Valley Diner's Club
- Held second Community Holiday Meal at Maberly Hall
- Had Township booth at the Maberly Fair
- In partnership with the Library, established a satellite location at Maberly Hall for book club, book pick-up and return, and storytime
- Installed a timber framed pavilion at the Forest Trail Park, 100% funded by the Ontario Trillium Foundation
- Held re-opening of the newly redeveloped Otty Lake Boat Launch



Timber framed pavilion at the Forest Trail Park



Kiosk unveiling at Otty Lake Boat Launch



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