

News & Notes

By Mayor Ted Walker & Council January 2022

Council Calendar

Meetings will be held by video and telephone conference during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Visit tay.ca/Meetings for information on how to connect to the video conference or how to call-in by telephone.

View meeting schedule and agendas at tay.ca/calendar

Upcoming Meetings

Protective and Development Services

[February 9th](#)
[9:30 a.m.](#)

Operational Services

[February 9th](#)
[1:30 p.m.](#)

Corporate Services - followed by a Special Council Meeting

[February 10th](#)
[10:00 a.m.](#)

Planning Public Meeting

[February 10th](#)

Message from the Mayor



Happy 2022 Tay Township! I hope you're all staying safe, warm and are making the most of Winter so far. With the recent heavy snowfall, a timely reminder that Winter Parking Regulations are in effect, please do not park your vehicle on or within 3.05 metres (10 feet) of roads between 3:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. We appreciate your cooperation, you are helping make the Township snow clearing operations safer, more efficient and effective.

On another Winter note, thanks to the heavy snowfall and colder temperatures I am happy to announce that all outdoor rinks are now OPEN! For more information and the status of these rinks visit tay.ca/rinks, you can also view the schedule for the Tay Community Rink at this link, which is also open and offers free public skating and shinny times as well as private rentals.

The month of January is also the time that we join other communities around the world to promote, share and celebrate the success of Crime Stoppers programs. I was able to meet up with Southern Georgian Bay OPP Constable Jason Belanger and Crime Stoppers Georgian Bay Chair Jill Richards to

[2:00 p.m.](#)

Internet and Service
Software Modernization
Ad-hoc Committee

[February 14th
2:00 p.m.](#)

Audit Committee

[February 16th
9:00 a.m.](#)

Committee of
Adjustment

[February 16th
6:00 p.m.](#)

Planning Public Meeting

[February 23rd
6:30 p.m.](#)

Regular Council Meeting

[February 23rd
7:00 p.m.](#)

raise the Crime Stoppers flag and proclaim January as Crime Stoppers month in Tay Township. I encourage all citizens to call 1-800-222-TIPS anonymously with any information about a crime that has occurred or is about to occur.

Lastly, some great news to share, Tay Township has recently received grant funding in the amount of \$316,500 from the Ontario Trillium Foundation's Community Building Fund capital stream, which will be used to build additional change rooms at the Tay Community Rink. We also received \$76,066 in municipal modernization funding, which will be used to modernize the Township's work order and fleet management systems. I'd like to thank our MPP Jill Dunlop and the Provincial Government for their support of the Township.

Until next time.

*Ted Walker is Mayor of Tay Township.
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Stay connected with Tay! Find out about upcoming Council meetings at tay.ca/calendar, subscribe to receive Township news at tay.ca/subscribe, view and submit community events at tay.ca/events, and follow us on Twitter [@TayTownship](https://twitter.com/TayTownship) and Facebook [@TayTownshipON](https://www.facebook.com/TayTownshipON)

We're Hiring!

WE'RE HIRING!



Join the **#TayTeam**! We're looking to fill the positions:

- Information Technology (IT) Technician
- Planning Technician
- Senior Engineering Technologist

☐ Apply today at tay.ca/jobs #TeamTay

Community Rinks are Open

The Tay Community Rink and all outdoor rinks are open.

COVID-19 protocols and guidelines are in place, including capacity limits, and are subject to change at any time due to public health and Provincial directives.

Full details including public skating and shinny times, as well as how to book your private ice time are available at tay.ca/rinks.



Winter Parking Regulations

Help us clear the roads

Reminder! Winter Parking Regulations are in effect. Please do not park your vehicle on or within 3.05 metres (10 feet) of roads between 3:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

For more information visit

tay.ca/WinterParking or call

us at **705-534-7248** and press option #5 to connect with a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, or email mleo@tay.ca



We appreciate your cooperation. You are helping to make the Township snow clearing safer, more efficient and effective.



Fire Permits

Reminder! A Fire Permit is required for all outdoor fires in Tay Township. Get your 2022 Fire Permit instantly online today at tay.ca/FirePermit

**Culture Alliance
Territorial Land**



Acknowledgement

The Culture Alliance has created this territorial acknowledgment for the Heart of Georgian Bay region and grants permission to those in our area to adopt and use it as their own.

The Heart of Georgian Bay has been an important homeland to, and gathering place for, Indigenous people for thousands of years. We acknowledge that this place on earth has been here since before our creation and that all living things on earth, in the water, and in the air are our relatives and our equals. With its landscape as a teacher and water for its life, we learn, share, and live on these traditional lands.

We acknowledge that we share the responsibility to protect and preserve our first Mother, the earth, and ensure that she is here for future generations.

This is the traditional and Treaty territory of the Anishinabek people, now known as the Chippewa Tri-Council comprised of Beausoleil First Nation, Rama First Nation, and the Georgina Island First Nation. This territory is within the pre-confederation Treaty 5 and Treaty 16, and included within the Williams Treaties of 1923. The Heart of Georgian Bay was once the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat and is now home of many Indigenous people including the Anishinabek and many citizens of the Métis Nation of Ontario.

We respectfully acknowledge that we are the stewards and caretakers of these lands and waters, and that we continue to maintain this responsibility to ensure their health and integrity for generations to come.

Family & Friends Drop the Ball Raffle

Family & Friends Drop the Ball Raffle in support of **Hospice Huronia** and **Waypoint Centre for Mental Health Care** – a raffle with a bang!

That's the sound of up to 50,000 numbered golf balls falling on the golf course ... dropped from a helicopter above.

The golf ball drop takes place September 10, 2022 with opportunities to win a prize in early bird draws.

Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$25, and the prizes are amazing! A Nissan car, a Sea-Doo personal watercraft and trailer, a Starcraft boat, motor & trailer, golf packages, trip packages and so much more.



All money raised goes to support Hospice Huronia - Tomkins House and Waypoint Centre for Mental Health Care.

Tickets are available online at www.familyandfriendscharity.ca

Southern Georgian Bay Airboat Rescue Community Fundraiser



On January 17, 2021 in two separate incidents, three lives were lost during unstable ice conditions on Georgian Bay. A local group of Tay Township residents volunteered to raise funds for the purchase of an airboat for the Tay Fire and Emergency Services (TFES)

An airboat would greatly assist TFES in performing rescues in adverse weather, water and ice conditions in both a safe and expedient manner.

The Sever 650K Airboat combines the best features of both a traditional airboat and air-cushioned vehicle (hovercraft) providing year-round use. It can operate in shallow water, marshy environments, over snow, open water and onto land and has an enclosed heated and sound proofed cabin for up to eight people, allowing for quality treatment of patients. The open front deck allows for rescue operations, and the transport of firefighting equipment with direct access to the cabin.

Tay Township Council and TFES are grateful and appreciative of this fundraising group, and the addition of the Sever 650K would broaden TFES ability to quickly and safely respond to calls on water, ice and island properties.

For more information and to donate visit sgbairboatrescue.com

Coldest Night of the Year February 26, 2022



Coming up on February 26, 2022 is Coldest Night of the Year! A family, friends and community walk event in support of [The Guesthouse Shelter](#).

The Guesthouse Shelter offers temporary overnight stays and meals for the homeless and vulnerably housed in North Simcoe. The Hub provides housing services.

Join a team, start your own team or get out and support individually. Visit www.cnoy.org for more details.

County Cart Exchange Program

Looking to submit a cart exchange request? **The County of Simcoe's online portal** is now open.

Requests for smaller 120L Garbage Carts and 120L and 240L Recycling Carts can now be submitted. Submit for your one-time free cart swap before July 30, 2022 at carts.simcoe.ca. Deliveries will start in March 2022.



SIZESWAP

AVAILABLE NOW

FIND YOUR FIT AT
[CARTS.SIMCOE.CA](https://carts.simcoe.ca)



Need an additional organics or recycling cart visit simcoe.ca

Culture Alliance Cultural Asset Program

Do You Remember When?



Do you have interesting stories to tell about the places, people, and events that have shaped the Heart of Georgian Bay area?

The Culture Alliance will be selecting eight

COVID-19 Resources Visit

tay.ca/COVID-19 for the latest information about impacts to Tay Township municipal services and links to COVID-19 resources.

Vaccination Clinics

[Provincial Vaccine Information Line](https://www.ontario.ca/provincial-vaccine-information-line)
1-888-999-6488

[Ontario.ca/COVID19](https://ontario.ca/COVID19)

Transportation to vaccine Appt.

Community Reach
705-528-6999

COVID-19 Public Health Information

[Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit](https://simcoe.muskoka.ca/district-health-unit)

participants from Tay Township, Beausoleil First Nation, Town of Midland, Town of Penetanguishene, and Township of Tiny to be interviewed and video recorded for the **Do You Remember When? project**.

Those interested in being considered are invited to apply by February 11, 2022.

More information is available at culturealliance.ca/culturalassets

[Public Health Ontario](#)

[Public Health Canada](#)

[Telehealth Ontario](#)

1-866-797-0000

Ontario Ministry
of Health
Self-Assessment
Tool

[Self-Assessment Tool](#)

Tay Township Public Library Update



All three Tay Township Public Library Branches will be OPEN to the public for in-house library services beginning February 1st!

Masks are required and social distancing is in effect. Curbside service available upon request.

A Message from the Office of the Fire Marshal and Tay Township Fire and Emergency Services

Stay **Fire Safe** While Staying **Warm**

Heating equipment is a leading cause of home fires in Ontario.

What **heating equipment** in my home can cause fires?



FIREPLACES AND FIREPLACE INSERTS



WOODSTOVES



CHIMNEYS

How do I keep **myself** and my **loved ones** safe?

- Ensure woodstoves, fireplaces and fireplace inserts are installed by a **qualified technician** according to **manufacturer's instructions**.
- Have your heating system, vents and chimneys inspected and cleaned annually by a **qualified service technician**.
- Ensure all outside heating vents are **not blocked**.

- Allow ashes from your woodstove or fireplace to cool before emptying them into a **metal container** with a tight-fitting lid. **Keep the container outside**.
- **Always use a fire screen around the fireplace!**



Install **smoke** and **carbon monoxide** alarms on every storey of your home.

Test them every month.



For more information contact your **local fire department**.

Mike Moore
Deputy Fire Chief / Fire Prevention Officer
Tay Township
705-543-7248 x 245



Office of the Fire Marshal and
Emergency Management
ontario.ca/firemarshal

Tay Township is on FACEBOOK

As we continue to ramp up our communication efforts, Tay Township is now on Facebook.



Give us a follow or like [@TayTownshipON](#) to see our latest videos, news, events and information about the Township and what's going on in our community.



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