

2025

Tay Township Year in Review





TAY TOWNSHIP

2025 YEAR IN REVIEW | COUNCIL ACTION

ACTIONS OF COUNCIL QUICK STATS



19 Meetings of Council

9 Meetings of Committee of the Whole

51 Meetings of Sub Committees

50 Council Information Packages

173 Staff Reports to Council

32 Delegations to Council

6 Planning Public Meetings

47 By-laws Enacted

Council approved one-year pilot projects for the following:

 ATV use on municipal roads from January 1 to December 31, 2026

 Section of the Tay Shore Trail from Triple Bay Road to Duffy Drive will be groomed by the Georgian Bay Snowriders Club and designated as a multi-use trail for the 2025/26 winter season.

Grants and Donations Program

Council gave **17** community groups/organizations a combined donation of **\$23,976** as well as granting many in-kind contributions such as staff time, venues and equipment use.

Council granted the following 2025 budget requests to local partners

Severn Sound Environmental Association

- \$134,448 Municipal Operations
- \$9,850 Risk Management
- \$12,914 Sustainable Severn Sound

- \$12,500 **Georgian Bay Physician Recruitment**
- \$25,000 **Georgian Bay General Hospital**





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2025 YEAR IN REVIEW | OPERATIONS ROADS AND FLEET



3.9 km
of roads resurfaced



56
final lot grading
inspections
completed



4 fleet replacements



276 km
of roads maintained



41 km
of sidewalk
maintained



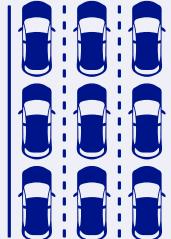
8,684 tonnes sand
470 tonnes salt
for the 2025 season



57
streetlights
replaced with LEDs



735
requests for service
to the Operational
Services Department



26
locations received
traffic volume/speed
collection

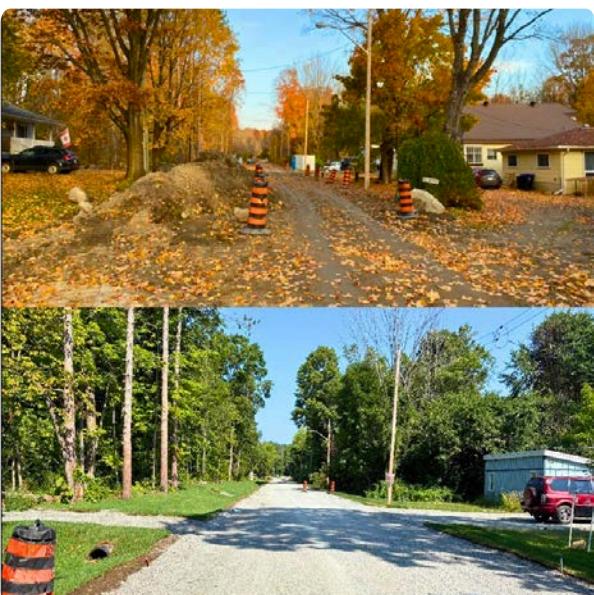


403
Trees removed or
maintained
*excluding ice
storm damage



Rosemount Road Bridge 4 Replacement

This project involved replacing the original single-lane bridge, built in 1932, with a new 50-foot double-lane steel bridge. The project included installation of new guardrails and signage, along with culvert and drainage improvements to enhance water flow and drainage in the area. The roadway was paved up to the bridge to complete the connection. Construction was completed in approximately one month.



Fifth Avenue/Hayes Street Sanitary and Water Works

This project began in October 2024 and was completed in August 2025. The scope of work included the installation of a new sanitary main from Hayes Street to Arpin Street, providing 43 new sanitary service connections at the property line. The existing cast iron watermain was replaced with a new PVC watermain, along with new water services.

Road work included the installation of seven new cross culverts, placement of new road base material, and road re-grading. Restoration works included ditching to improve drainage, clearing, sodding, installation of new driveway culverts, and approximately 500 meters of new asphalt and gutter installation.





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2025 YEAR IN REVIEW | OPERATIONS PARKS, RECREATION AND FACILITIES



Performed ground maintenance activities at **42** properties



Completed snow removal and salting for **25** municipal facilities



800+
Community Centre Rentals



280
Pitch In Bags Provided



205
TOTS Soccer Registrations

600
Day Camp Registrations

360
Active Living Program Registrations



33+ hours
of free public use per week at the Tay Community Rink and **400+** rentals in 2025



220
Baseball Diamond Rentals



Tay Shore Trail Signage Rehabilitation

Three marquee trailheads signs were replaced, along with several 'Attraction, Interpretive and Historical' signs along the trail corridor. Many of these signs help to depict the vast historical information related to the various communities that make up Tay Township. Updates to the Regulatory Signage along the trail improved alignment with new by-law numbers and retro-reflectivity. All new signage received new 4' X 4' wooden posts.



Parks and Recreation Master Plan

Development of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan began in 2025, with significant work completed including public consultation, staff input, and engagement with planning consultants. While implementation will begin in 2026, launching the process in 2025 was a key achievement and reflects the Township's commitment to long-term, community-driven planning.



Horticulture Committee

The purpose of the Tay Township Horticulture Committee is to foster civic pride, environmental responsibility and beautification through community participation in horticulture. This group keeps the Township looking festive each season! To learn more about this committee visit tay.ca/horticulture.



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2025 YEAR IN REVIEW | WATER & WASTEWATER



901,733.00 m³

Total Treated Water Flows 2025
Tay Area Drinking Water System



693,028 m³

Victoria Harbour Wastewater Treatment Plant
Final Effluent 2025

8,959.86 m³

Total Treated Water Flows 2025
Rope Drinking Water System

440,353.00 m³

Port McNicoll Wastewater Treatment Plant
Final Effluent 2025



10

hydrant
replacements



9 main valve repairs



9 watermain repairs
6 water meters upgraded



439

locates
completed



4.02 km

of sewer flushing
and CCTV



10

curb stop box/service line repairs
1 sewer lateral repair



Watermain Replacements

Throughout 2025, multiple watermain replacement projects were completed to upgrade aging infrastructure and improve water quality and system reliability.

Old cast iron watermains were replaced with new PVC watermains on Elizabeth Street, McPhee Boulevard, Franklin Drive, Alberta Street, Second Avenue, Fifth Avenue, and Hayes Street. In total, approximately 1.29 km of watermain was replaced as part of these infrastructure improvements.



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2025 YEAR IN REVIEW | FIRE DEPARTMENT

**345
EMERGENCY
CALLS**



**29
Fire Calls**

**5
Rescue Calls**



**15
Burn
Complaints**



**66
Activated Alarm
Calls**



**58
Dangerous
Conditions Calls**



**52
Vehicle
Collision Calls**



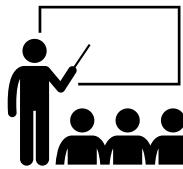
**17
Public
Service Calls**



**79
Medical
Emergency Calls**



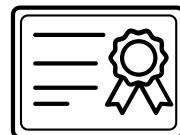
**24
Other**



ADVANCED TRAINING

- Live Fire Training
- Firefighter Survival Training
- Chainsaw Safety Course
- DZ License & Driver Response
- SP 100 Wildland Firefighting Training

- Simcoe Paramedics Annual Quality Care Program
- NFPA 1002 Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator
- NFPA 1521 Incident Safety Officer
- NFPA 1041 Instructor I
- NFPA 1021 Fire Officer I



ACCREDITATION & COMPLIANCE

- Maintained Fire Underwriters Superior Tanker Shuttle Accreditation
- Annual Emergency Management Program Compliance



**11
NEW RECRUITS**
(including direct hires)

**76 TOTAL
VOLUNTEER
FIREFIGHTERS**

**1,961
BURN PERMITS
ISSUED**





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2025 YEAR IN REVIEW | PLANNING



14

**ZONING BY-LAW
AMENDMENT
APPLICATIONS RECEIVED**



6

**PRE-CONSULTATIONS
HELD**



1

**PLAN OF
SUBDIVISION
EXTENSION GRANTED**



2

**DRAFT
SUBDIVISION
APPROVALS GRANTED**

COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT



26

**Minor Variances
Applications Received**



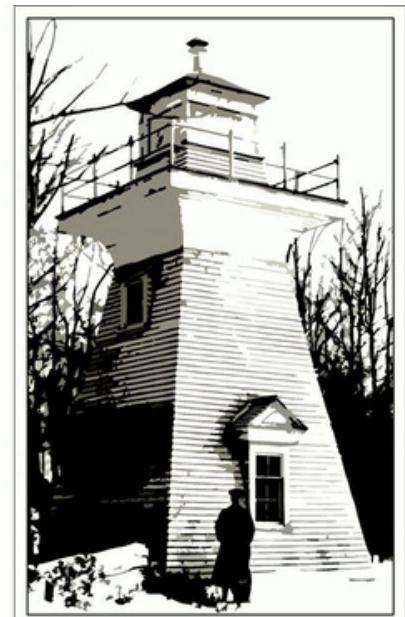
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**Consent Applications
Received**

HERITAGE COMMITTEE



- Members attended Portarama and Tay Canada Day
- Heritage displays set up in the Municipal Office lobby
- Learn more about this committee at tay.ca/heritage





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2025 YEAR IN REVIEW | BUILDING



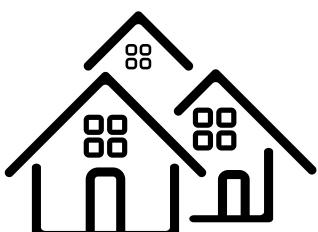
258
BUILDING
PERMITS
ISSUED



754
INSPECTIONS
CONDUCTED



\$244,885
Collected in building permit fees



3 **New Detached Additional**
Dwelling Unit permits issued

A Detached Additional Dwelling Unit is a self-contained residential unit located on the same property as a primary home, but in a separate, standalone structure.



23 **New Dwelling permits issued**



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2025 YEAR IN REVIEW | BY-LAW



604
NUMBER OF FILES
OPENED



458
NUMBER OF BOAT LAUNCH
PARKING PERMITS



535
NUMBER OF
FILES CLOSED



24
NUMBER OF DOGS
RETURNED TO OWNERS



1,024
PATROLS OF PARKS,
RIGHT OF WAYS AND
VACANT LAND



51 Hours
SPENT PATROLLING
THE TAY SHORE TRAIL



1,236 Calls Received

**Did You Know? Tay Township Introduced
Online Dog Tag Licensing in 2025!**



- Residents can now purchase and pay for their dog tags online.
- Visit tay.ca/canine to complete your application, pay online and submit proof of rabies vaccination.
- Tay Township has a two-dog limit per household.



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2025 YEAR IN REVIEW | LEGISLATIVE SERVICES



44
**MARRIAGE
LICENCES
ISSUED**



24
**MARRIAGE
CEREMONIES
PERFORMED**



75
**DOCUMENTS
COMMISSIONED**



14
**LOTTERY
LICENCES
ISSUED**



12
**FOI REQUESTS
PROCESSED**



21
CEMETERY INTERMENTS
11
**CEMETERY LOT
SALES**

SPECIAL PROJECTS



Local Government Day in Tay

Tay Township hosted its third annual Local Government Day, welcoming Grade 5 students from both local elementary schools. Students visited the Municipal Office to learn about local governance, explore Council and Staff roles, take part in an open Q&A, and enjoyed a mini “meet the fleet” event.

New Records Management System

By improving the efficiency of filing and retrieving records, the new system will support staff workflows and strengthen overall customer service.

SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE EVENTS



The Committee aims to promote social engagement and education for seniors in the community.

- Continued to host **free Seniors Talks**, 2025 topics focused on:
 - Income Taxes, Benefits, and Credits
 - Wills, Estate, and Funeral Planning
 - Retirement Living and Senior Support Services
- New this year, the Committee hosted “A Festive Social” which combined socializing, lunch, cookie decorating and holiday tunes!





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2025 YEAR IN REVIEW | FINANCE

The **overall increase for a residential property tax bill for 2025** including **County and Education** taxes was **3.338%**.

For the **median residential home in Tay Township assessed at \$220,000** this is an increase of approximately **\$86.92 per year**.



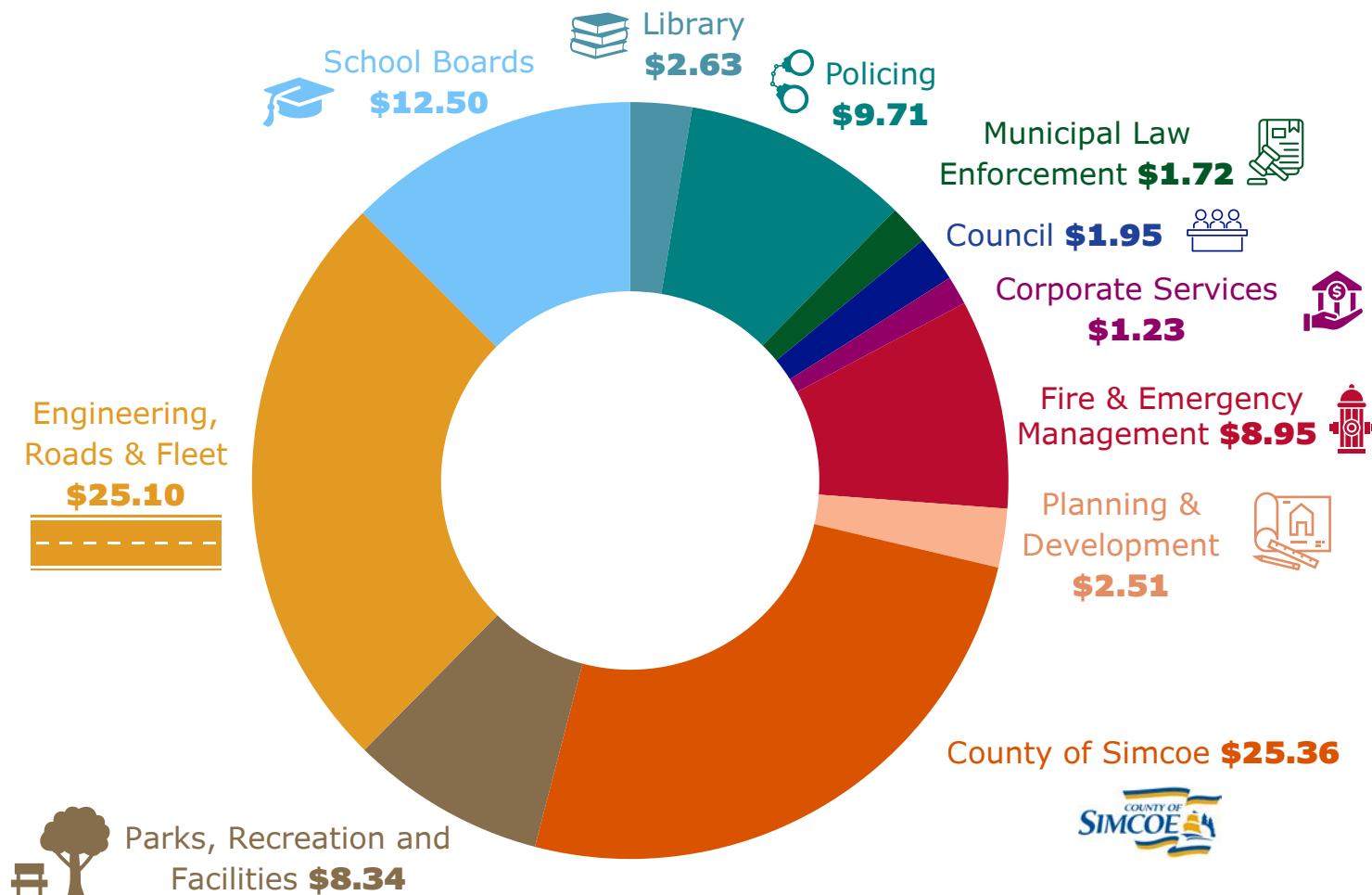
Per \$100 of property taxes collected:

\$25.36 support Simcoe County services

\$12.50 support publicly-funded education

\$9.71 support Policing services

\$52.43 support Tay Township services



Water and wastewater systems and building services are self-funded.

Operating costs are recovered through user fees and permit revenues, not general property taxes.



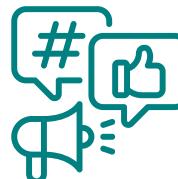


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2025 YEAR IN REVIEW | COMMUNICATIONS

 Published **237** notices on the [Township Website](#). Including News and Public Notices, Employment, Recreation and Events, Service Disruptions and Information and General Interest.

 Shared **700** Community Events on [Tay Township Community Events Calendar](#).



Maintain **4** social media channels including Facebook, X (twitter), YouTube and LinkedIN.



3,023 [Facebook](#) Followers

1,911 [X](#) Followers

1,426 [LinkedIN](#) Followers

SPECIAL PROJECT

TEE OFF WITH TAY

The community came together in full force for the Mayor's Charity Golf Tournament, "Tee Off With Tay," held on Friday, August 15, 2025, at the Midland Golf & Country Club. The event proved to be a tremendous success, raising \$62,000 to support vital community initiatives.

\$6,000 to Tay Shores Public Elementary School and \$6,000 to St. Antoine Daniel Catholic Elementary School for nutrition programs, outdoor learning initiatives and technology enhancements, ensuring students have access to healthy meals, dynamic hands-on educational experiences and the digital tools needed to support their learning.

\$24,000 to Georgian Bay General Hospital for the acquisition of a Portable Patient Lift, essential for helping seniors and other patients maintain mobility, independence, and dignity during care.

\$26,000 to Waypoint Centre for Mental Health Care, helping bring programs and resources to frail older adults and their caregivers through the North Simcoe Muskoka Specialized Geriatric Services program. The funding will help to improve care, quality of life, and safe aging in place for older adults. Learn more about this tournament at tay.ca/golf.



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2025 YEAR IN REVIEW | TAY TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY



26,938
IN PERSON VISITS



PROGRAMS
205 PROGRAMS OFFERED
5,555 PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS



1,220
COMPUTER USE/SESSIONS



11,449
WEBSITE VISITS



87,637
PHYSICAL ITEMS CIRCULATED



16,981
E-MATERIALS CIRCULATED
• E-Books • E-Audiobooks • E-Periodicals



INTER-LIBRARY LOANS
408 BORROWED
304 LENT



206
FREE PASSES CIRCULATED
• Wye Marsh • Huronia Museum
• Ontario Parks

AT THE LIBRARY YOU HAVE ACCESS TO:

Weekly **Game Night** for kids

Weekly **Chess, Mahjong, and Sit and Stitch** groups

Three weekly **Storytimes** for different age groups

Monthly themed **Family Craft Parties** with a book reading

March Break and **TD Summer Reading Club** activities

[Reciprocal borrowing](#) with 7 other local libraries



Books, DVDs, Blu-Rays, Video Games, Audio Books



Ontario Parks, Wye Marsh, and Huronia Museum [Passes](#)



E-Books and **Audio Books** on your device with [cloudLibrary](#)



Online Magazines and **Newspapers** with [PressReader](#)



Computers and 24/7 **WiFi Access**

AND SO MUCH MORE IN OUR BRANCHES
PLAN A VISIT AND REGISTER FOR A LIBRARY CARD, IT'S FREE!





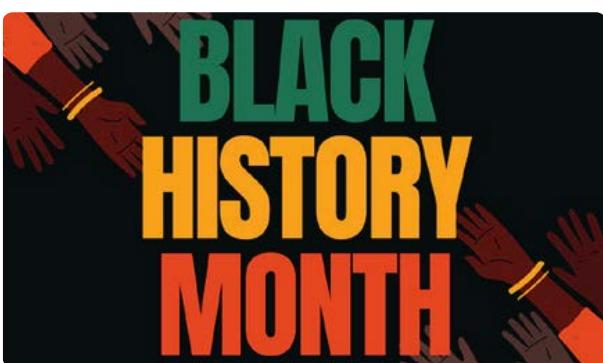
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2025 YEAR IN REVIEW | AROUND THE COMMUNITY



Crime Stoppers Month

Tay Township proclaimed January as Crime Stoppers Month. Mayor Ted Walker, Council and Staff raised the flag with Crime Stoppers of Simcoe Dufferin Muskoka. Thank you to our community agencies, law enforcement, media and citizens who make our community safer.



Tay Township Proclaims February as Black History Month

Black History Month is an important time to learn about the stories and many important contributions of local Black Canadians to the settlement, growth and development of Simcoe County.



#ITSTARTS Campaign

Tay Township joined the County of Simcoe to promote the #ITSTARTS campaign. The program is designed to take a proactive step towards addressing racism and discrimination in Simcoe County and runs the entire month of March.



World Autism Awareness Day

Tay Township proclaimed April 2, 2025 as World Autism Day. A heartfelt thank you to Autism Ontario and all the local organizations that continue to support and empower our neurodiverse community. Your dedication makes a meaningful impact every day. Let's keep working together for a more inclusive world!



Be A Donor Month

April 7 is recognized as Green Shirt Day across Canada, a day dedicated to raising awareness about organ donation and donor registration. Did you know that one organ donor can save 8 lives? Visit [BeADonor.ca](https://www.beadonor.ca) to register and learn more.



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2025 YEAR IN REVIEW | AROUND THE COMMUNITY



Children's Mental Health Week

Mayor Walker proclaimed May 5 to 11 as Children's Mental Health Week in Tay Township. The week is a time to raise awareness, reduce stigma, and highlight the importance of providing timely, fully funded, inclusive, and accredited mental health services for children and youth across our communities.



Pitch-In Month in Tay Township

Team Tay rolled up their sleeves and participated in a Community Clean up on Earth Day. Tay Township supplies pitch-in bags and picks up full bags of garbage from community groups that want to organize clean up events during the month of April.



National Public Works Week

Tay Township thanked our dedicated Operational Services staff who go above and beyond to provide the community with front-line services that safeguard and enhance the quality of life in our Township.

Seniors Month

Visit tay.ca/seniors for resources and information



Seniors Month

Mayor Walker declared June as Seniors' Month in Tay Township, recognizing and celebrating the many accomplishments of our Tay seniors. Visit our Seniors page for helpful resources and information at tay.ca/seniors.



Fierté Simcoe Pride

Mayor Walker proclaimed August 4 to 15, 2025 as Fierté Simcoe Pride Season in Tay Township. Council and Staff celebrated with Fierté Simcoe Pride and raised the Progress Intersex Pride Flag at the Township Office.





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2025 YEAR IN REVIEW | AROUND THE COMMUNITY



Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

Mayor Walker proclaimed September as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. During the month we honour the dedication of scientists, healthcare professionals, parent groups, and volunteers working tirelessly to fight childhood cancer and support families. Council and Staff gathered with representatives from Candlelighters Simcoe Parents of Children with Cancer for a flag raising.



National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Mayor Walker proclaimed September 30th as the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation in Tay Township. To commemorate the day, Council and Staff gathered for a flag raising at the Municipal Office. Mayor Walker encouraged all residents to reflect on how we can move forward together.



Veterans' Week

Mayor Walker proclaimed November 5-11 as Veterans' Week in Tay Township. To mark the start of the week, Mayor Walker, Council members and Staff welcomed local Legion representatives for a flag raising at the Municipal Office.

Tay Canada Day



National Volunteer Week



**THANK YOU! ❤️
TAY TOWNSHIP
VOLUNTEERS!**





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