

Your Tecumseh

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Mayor & Council Message

Welcome to the 2024 Fall\Winter edition of 'Your Tecumseh'! We would like to extend our thanks for making Summer 2024 an incredible one - with exciting funding announcements, the Bert Lacasse Ball Park grand opening, and another successful Cornfest weekend, we had a great summer here in Tecumseh!

The 2025 budget process is getting started. The budget is our tool to meet the needs of our citizens. It's about ensuring that the Town of Tecumseh remains a great place to live, work, and raise a family. We encourage you to take the time to learn about the process and visit PlaceSpeak to ask your questions and have your say!

Have a safe and Happy Halloween and we'll see you at Christmas in Tecumseh!

Mayor McNamara & Council

OCTOBER

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2024

Open Doors For Art

Tecumseh Town Hall & Cada Library

NOVEMBER

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2024

Remembrance Day Service

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 261

NOVEMBER

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2024

Christmas in Tecumseh

Tecumseh Town Hall & Tecumseh Arena

FEBRUARY

17

2025

Family In Motion Day

Tecumseh Arena

WEEK OF MARCH

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2025

March Break Free Skate

Tecumseh Arena

Strategic Plan 2023 Report Out

In 2023, Council adopted a new corporate Strategic Plan to set the course for this term of Office. Three new strategic priorities were set:

- Sustainable Growth: to create new housing supply as well as business and industrial growth
- Community Health & Inclusion: to enhance our public spaces, encourage diversity and inclusion and keep our community safe
- Service Experience: to provide responsive customer service, engage our workforce and sustain a high level of service delivery.

The 2023 Report Out is available at tecumseh.ca/strategicpriorities.



Infrastructure Investments for Housing in Tecumseh

Tecumseh recently announced that it has been awarded funding from the Province of Ontario through the Housing Enabling Water Systems Fund in the amount of \$15.1 million of the \$20.7 million project. This funding will support the construction of vital water and sewer infrastructure in the Tecumseh Hamlet Secondary Plan Area, enabling the development of approximately 4,059 new homes and contributing to a 41% increase in housing units across the Town.



Open Doors for Art

The Town of Tecumseh and Tecumseh branch of the Essex County Library will be hosting a joint “Open Doors for Art” event on Wednesday, October 23 from 4:00pm-7:00 pm to reintroduce our art collection to the public – visit tecumseh.ca for more details. We hope to see you there!



Expanding Active Transportation

The Lesperance Road Multi-Use Path (County Road 22 to County Road 42) project is underway, with pathways along the west side of Lesperance Rd being paved to open before Winter 2025. Active transportation promotes healthier lifestyles, reduces traffic congestion, lowers environmental impact, and enhances community connectivity. Thank you to the Federal government for funding through the the Active Transportation Fund.

Protecting Tecumseh from Future Flooding

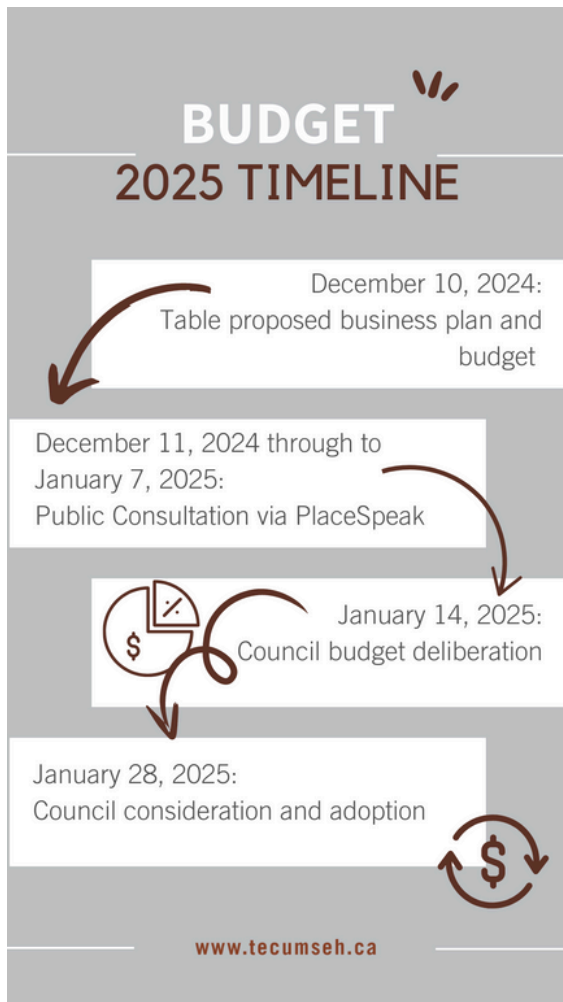
The Cedarwood Sanitary Pump Station, built in 1972, is undergoing a \$9 million upgrade with a \$3.6 million investment funded through the Federal Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund (DMAF). These upgrades will modernize the infrastructure, helping to reduce basement flooding risks across a 920-hectare area in Tecumseh. This includes reinforcing existing infrastructure in Wards 1 & 2 with modern materials. Find more information at tecumseh.ca/dmaf.



Get in the holiday spirit with Christmas in Tecumseh!

The most magical time of the year is just around the corner and Tecumseh is getting ready to kick off the holiday season with the much-anticipated Christmas in Tecumseh, featuring the Santa Claus Parade, on Friday, November 22.

This event provides FREE family-friendly entertainment throughout the evening from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Tecumseh Arena & Recreation Complex and Town Centre Park. Events include: Meet & Greet with Santa and Mrs. Claus, a Holiday Petting Zoo, Outdoor Marshmallow Roast, Arts & Crafts and so much more!



Tecumseh Budget 2025

At the Town of Tecumseh, we believe it is essential that our residents understand how their municipality allocates and utilizes funds. While we often hear about budgets, they can sometimes feel overwhelming. So let's break it down:

What is a budget?

A budget is a detailed plan outlining the revenue (money coming in) and expenditures (money going out) for a specific period.



The municipal budget is divided into two parts when considering expenditures:

Operating Budget:

- Covers the municipality's day-to-day expenses.

Capital Budget:

- Is allocated for major investments or the refurbishment of existing municipal assets.

On December 10, 2024 the proposed 2025 budget will be presented to Council at the Regular Council Meeting. Be sure to tune in virtually or attend in person.

Want to learn more about the budget process?
Visit tecumseh.ca/budget or visit PlaceSpeak to find all the resources and timelines and have your say!



Updates to the Maidstone Recreation Centre

The new outdoor washroom facility at the Maidstone Recreation Centre (MRC) is almost complete! This project has been made possible through the combined efforts of the MRC, the Town, and funding from the Provincial government's Ontario Trillium Foundation. The new washrooms and septic system will enhance the centre's amenities. The MRC, which features a main hall, club room, pavilion, and four sand volleyball courts, is excited to welcome everyone back for the 2025 volleyball season!



Administrative Monetary Penalty System

The Town of Tecumseh is in the process of implementing a two-year pilot program called the "Administrative Monetary Penalty System" (AMPS) set to launch in January 2025. The AMPS is a program that, for minor parking and by-law offences, will replace the current Court system with a faster, more flexible and customer focused appeal and payment process. Currently, all parking tickets and by-law infractions, no matter how minor, can only be appealed or disputed by going to Court. Having to use the Courts to settle minor disputes on parking and by-law offences can be intimidating, inefficient, and a lengthy process to resolve. By moving to a locally based approach with AMPS, it will enhance efficiency to appeal minor parking and by-law infractions and aims to resolve most disputes within 90 days at Town Hall not the Courts. Payment of fines or penalties will be fast and convenient with options for online payments.

Thank you, students!

The Town employed over sixty students during 2024 in a variety of outside and inside positions. We thank them for their dedication and excellent service. Postings for the Town's 2025 student positions will be on our website in January.



Winter Safety Reminders

Reminders for Winter Safety in Tecumseh:

- Remove all vehicles from the road following a snowfall.
- Be patient. Snowplows will eventually clear the streets of snow.
- Do not place hockey nets or basketball nets on the roadway or sidewalks.
- Please don't place snow or ice immediately beside or blocking access to a fire hydrant.
- Public Works staff completes snow removal from roadways in order of priority - starting with our main roadways.



Thanks for attending Fire Prevention Week!

Thank you to everyone who attended Fire Prevention Week 2024 at Fire Stations 1 & 2! We hope everyone who attended enjoyed the Fire Truck rides and left with important information to keep your family safe in an Emergency situation.

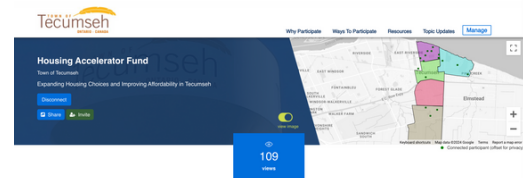
Special thank you to our sponsors: Enbridge Gas, St.Clair Firefighter Program, Essex Windsor EMS, OPP & Tim Hortons. See you next year!



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We want your feedback!

Head over to PlaceSpeak, Tecumseh's public consultation website! Visit www.placespeak.com to view topics about:

- The 2025 budget
- The Housing Accelerator Fund
- and more!



Collection Calendar

Did you know there are many options for where to find Town of Tecumseh garbage, recycling and yard waste collection information? Check out some options below:

• Printed Collection Calendar

Mailed to residents in January of each year. 📅 Be sure to flip your calendar over in the new year for January's schedule!

• Recycle Coach App



Have collection calendar information on your phone to get real-time notifications and updates.



• Town of Tecumseh Website

www.tecumseh.ca/collectioncalendar