

TOWNSHIP OF MUSKOKA LAKES NEWSLETTER

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HIGHLIGHTS:

ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

Check out the **2026 capital projects** starting this Spring.

VISIT MUSKOKALAKES.CA → OUR COMMUNITY → ROADS AND SIDEWALKS

MUSKOKA LAKES FIRE DEPT.



In **2025**, MLFD responded to **672 incidents** (up 17% from 2024), completed **340 home safety visits** and received **\$164,400 in provincial grant funding** to support ongoing

equipment upgrades and cancer prevention initiatives. With **21 new volunteer firefighters** joining the team, we're continuing to build skills, training, and community readiness for the year ahead.

2026 APPROVED BUDGET

Explore Township projects, your tax bill breakdown and key investments for 2026.

VISIT MUSKOKALAKES.CA → TOWNSHIP HALL → BUDGETS & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DIGITAL PLANNING NOTICES

Mail distribution has been discontinued. Subscribe to **Township News** and **Engage Muskoka Lakes 'Planning Projects'**.

LIBRARY HOME DELIVERY

Can't visit us in person? Have up to 10 items delivered/returned monthly. Learn more at muskokalakes.ca/library or email info@mlpl.ca



#EMBRACETHECHILL
#MUSKOKALAKESWINTERFUN

Winter Fun

SNOWSHOEING | XC SKIING | SNOWMOBILING | ICE SKATING
AND MORE IN MUSKOKA LAKES!

TOWNSHIP TIPS:

Overnight parking is not permitted on Township roads (1:00 a.m.-7:00 a.m.) from November 15 to April 1

Half-load restrictions come into effect on Township roads from **March 1 to late May** (5 tonnes per axle)

Be prepared for severe weather
Build an emergency kit, charge essential devices & check in on neighbours
Learn more at getprepared.gc.ca

MANAGING YOUR PROPERTY TAXES JUST GOT **EASIER.**

SIGN UP FOR **E-BILLING.***

*E-billing will begin with the final 2026 tax bill. Register by June 1, 2026 to start receiving your tax bill by email.

Using the **Online Property Tax Portal**, you can:

- Sign up for e-billing to **receive your tax bills directly to your e-mail** (starting June 2026)
- Access your tax account **online, anytime**
- **Pay securely** with Visa or Mastercard (credit or debit)

NEED HELP GETTING STARTED?

Find step-by-step instructions and how-to videos at: muskokalakes.ca → **Property Taxes**

NOTE: Once your roll number is registered for e-billing, you will **no longer receive a mailed bill.**

UPCOMING PROJECTS

- Beaumaris & Windermere Dock Rehabilitation
- Hanna Park Playground Replacement
- Arena Rehabilitation
- Zoning By-law Updates
- Noise Control By-law Updates
- Economic Development Strategy (2026-2030)

Sign up for engagemuskokalakes.ca to follow and engage with your favourite projects.

THE PROJECTS CORNER

NEW IN MUSKOKA LAKES



Windermere Village Playground



Now Open: Physician's Office
Port Carling Health Hub



BUILDING & PLANNING

See current and completed building permits and planning activity across Muskoka Lakes on the Muskoka GeoHub interactive map: map.muskoka.on.ca

MUSKOKA LAKES VOTES

FOR VOTERS:

Confirm your eligibility: Canadian citizen, age 18+, live in Muskoka Lakes, own or rent property here, or the spouse of someone who does.

Visit our website or scan the QR code for more information and resources. Confirm you're registered at vreg.registertovoteon.ca.

Election Day is October 26.

Voting will be by internet and telephone.

VISIT [MUSKOKALAKES.CA](https://muskokalakes.ca) → 2026 ELECTIONS



FOR CANDIDATES:

Nominations Open: May 1, 2026

Deadline: August 21, 2026 (2:00 p.m.)

Information Session | April 30, 2026 | 6:00 p.m.

(Visit muskokalakes.ca → 2026 Elections for details)

Term of Council: Nov. 15, 2026 - Nov. 14, 2030



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