

Guelph/Eramosa 2013 Budget Presentation

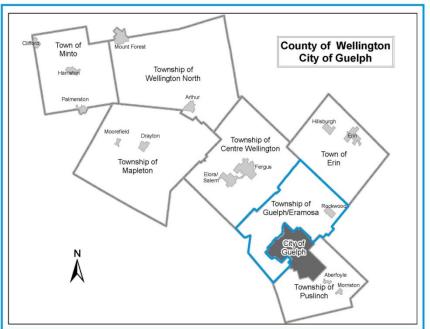
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Our Township

- Guelph/Eramosa is one of seven municipalities within the County of Wellington
- 2 tier municipal system
- We provide services to 12,380 residents





Departments & Functions

Administration

- Council
- CAO/Human Resources
- Clerk's Department
- Finance Department

Protection to Persons and Property

- Fire & Emergency Services
- Building Department
- By-law Enforcement & Property Standards
- Canine Control
- Livestock
- GRCA
- Emergency Measures



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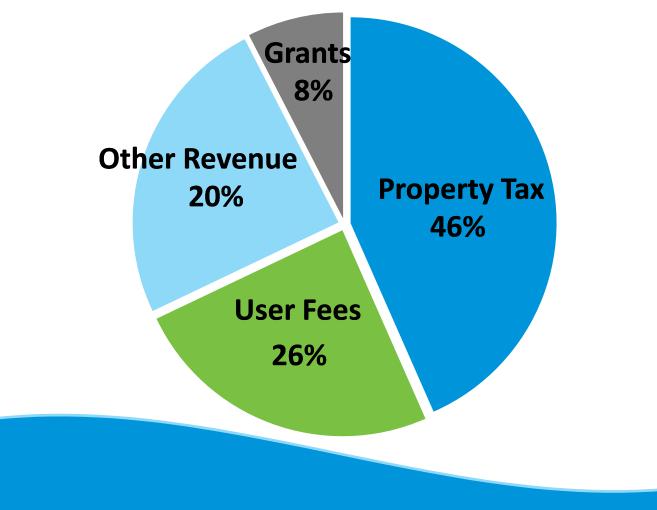
- Public Works
 - Roads & Transportation Services
- Environmental Services
 - Water & Wastewater
- Parks & Recreation
 - Facilities and Parks
- Planning
 - Committee of Adjustment
 - Planning Services





How Do We Maintain our Township?

• Property tax is our largest source of revenue





How Do We Maintain our Township?

 In 2012, just over \$4.7 million was raised through property taxation to support the services provided by the Township of Guelph/Eramosa





- Loss of 10% of our Ontario Municipal Partnership Funding (OMPF) from the Province, which is a decrease of \$57,900 in revenue
- 4% increase in insurance premiums
- \$22,000 has been added to the budget for ITrelated services and IT emergency management initiatives
- Council commitment to additional funding for East Wellington Community Services and food bank initiatives



- 1.2% Cost of Living increase on the salary grid
- Net long term debt principal and interest commitments to be funded through taxation will increase \$41,000 in 2013
- Increase of \$55,000 in transfers to reserves for debt reduction and future capital and infrastructure upgrades
- 2.6% increase in Grand River Conservation Authority levy



 Fire & Emergency Services costs have gone up due to an increase in the volume and types of calls for response, in-house equipment maintenance and more community outreach on fire prevention awareness.





- Public Works Department will continue with Township-wide spraying for noxious weeds
- One additional crossing guard in the Rockwood area
- Part-time night patrol has been added for winter, weekend and statutory holidays to meet hours of service legislation
- Public Works Department will introduce an asphalt crack sealing program in 2013 to maintain and extend the life of our roads



2013 Capital Highlights





Managing our Assets

- The Township has over:
 - \$ 74 million invested in Roads, Bridges, Streetlights and Sidewalks
 - \$20 million invested in Water and Wastewater Infrastructure
 - \$15 million invested in Facilities
 - \$5 million invested in Fleet and Equipment
- The Township is committed to sustaining our infrastructure
- In 2013, with financial support from the Province, staff will develop an asset management plan to maximize the life of our infrastructure through careful planning of maintenance and replacement



Public Works Department

- Complete final top coat of asphalt on Jones Baseline
- Complete reconstruction and upgrades of Sideroad 20, which were started in 2012
- Apply final top coat of asphalt to Oliphant Street in Everton and Rockwood Street Upgrades, which were started in 2012
- Pulverize and repave Speedvale Avenue West, from Wellington Road 32 to Township boundary
- Upgrades to roadways in Eden Mills, including Memorial Street, Edgewood Street, Park Street and Wilson Street



Public Works Department

- Parapet walls and guide rails installed on Seventh Line Bridge (No. B002)
- Upgrades and maintenance issues addressed at Marden and Brucedale work shops, including window replacement, office and washroom upgrades and replacement of oil separator





Fire and Emergency Services

- New Fire Command Vehicle
- Replace 15 sets of bunker gear
- Purchase exterior personal protection equipment
- New protector and screen for in-house training and debriefing
- Complete parking lot and entrance drainage upgrades at Fire Hall





Parks and Recreation

- Town Hall roof and sidewalk replacement
- Community Centre auxiliary power connection
- Painting of exterior of FWIO building
- Purchase a Slit seeder
- Backstop replacement at Lloyd Dyer Park
- Playground replacement at David Mason and Eden Mills Park
- Field grading at Marden Park
- Park signage to reflect municipal branding
- Rockwood Cemetery expansion
- Stainless steel wreath holders for Rockwood Cenotaph
- 2 Moloks in Rockwood



Other Department Highlights

(Funded through User Fees)





Building

- User fees fund 100% of the costs to operate and manage the Building Department
- In 2012, 215 permits issued, construction value of \$18,678,000
- Follow-up letters issued to permit holders for final inspections
- Building permits issued within 5 business dates on average (mandated max. 10 days)
- Currently, working on compiling septic system information for all septic systems in the Township
- New Building Code to be implemented by January 1, 2014



Environmental Services

- The Township provides water to over 1800 residents and businesses via two distribution systems:
 - Hamilton Drive
 - Rockwood Water Supply System
- The Township also provides services for wastewater collection in the Rockwood area. Sewage treatment services are contracted from the City of Guelph.
- User fees fund 100% of the costs to operate and manage the Township's Water and Wastewater systems

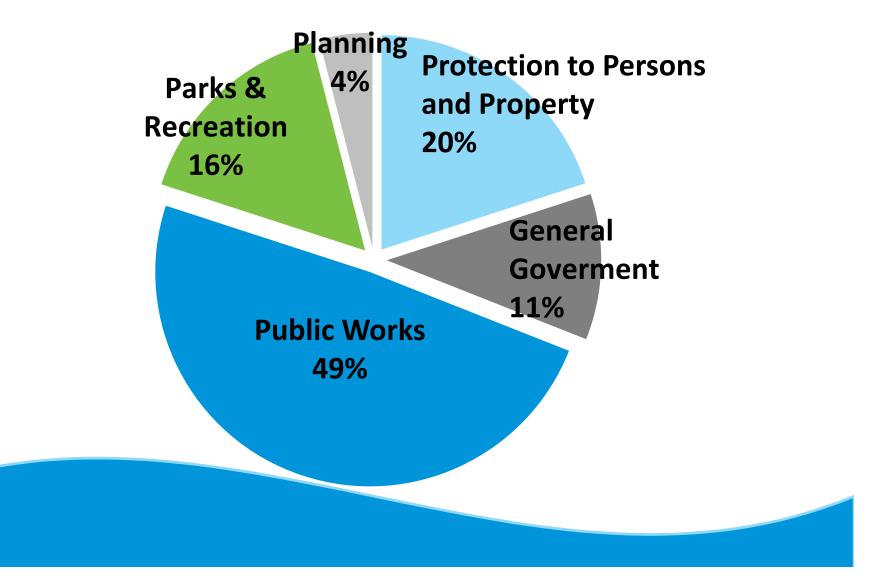
Guelph/Eramosa Township Environmental Services

- The 2013 budget includes funding through development charges and reserve funds for water and wastewater system upgrades:
 - Develop a new well and pumping station in Rockwood
 - Complete the tie-in of the river crossing water main
 - Replace old and out-dated meters in the Hamilton
 Drive and Rockwood areas
 - Install a new pump and motor in the Huntington station

Upgrades to Valley Road sewage pumping station



The Budget Provides Resources to Deliver Services





The 2013 Budget Supports:

- Maintaining and improving current service levels
- Active living and improved quality of life in our community
- Infrastructure sustainability
- Community safety and awareness





Tax Impact on

Residential Properties

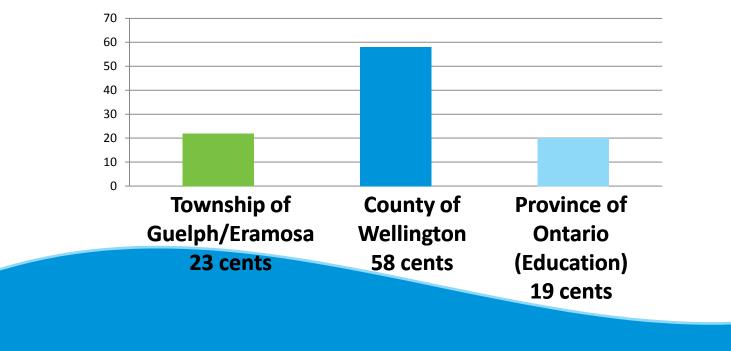
- In 2013, the total amount to be raised through taxation will increase by \$311,651
- Total property taxes for the average taxpayer in Guelph/Eramosa will increase 3.56%
- For the average taxpayer in Guelph/Eramosa, this will mean a total property tax increase of \$142.70
- Of this average increase, Guelph/Eramosa will get \$59.90 to support the 2013 budget



Guelph/Eramosa

is a Portion of the Tax Bill

- For every property tax dollar you pay, Guelph/Eramosa receives only 23 cents
- 3 components to tax bill County, Township and Province





Total Property Tax Overview

For \$365,000 2013 Average Residential Assessment						
	% of Total Tax Bill	2012 Budget	2013 Budget	\$ Change	% Change	
Township	23%	\$892	\$952	\$60	6.71%	
County	58%	\$2338	\$2427	\$89	3.79%	
Education	19%	\$780	\$774	\$ (6)	-0.76%	
Total Blended Change	100%	\$4010	\$4153	\$143	3.56%	





In 2013, the average homeowner in Guelph/Eramosa will pay \$4,153 in property taxes. Of this, Guelph/Eramosa will get \$952.33.





Comparison to other Major Household Expenses

	Amount Paid Annually
2013 Guelph/Eramosa Property Taxes on a home assessed at \$365,000	\$952.33
House Insurance	\$800
Employment Insurance Payments	\$840
Electricity of Average House	\$984
Average Basic Cable/Internet Bill	\$1,000
Natural Gas for Average House	\$1,094
Gas for Average Auto Driver for 1 year	\$2,200
Canada Pension Plan	\$2,300
Taxes Paid on a car worth \$20,000	\$2,600
Income Taxes on \$96,700 of household earnings	\$16,748



For the average annual payment of \$952.33 in taxes to the Township of Guelph/Eramosa YOU get.....





24/7 365 ACCESS TO FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES SNOW PLOWING AND WINTER ROAD MAINTENANCE \$94 MILLION IN BUILDINGS, ROADS, BRIDGES AND VEHICLES 222 KM OF ROADS ROAD MAINTENANCE TREE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE SHOULDERING DITCHING EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FIRE SAFETY AWARENESS PROGRAMS DUST CONTROL ROADSIDE LITTER PICK-UP RURAL ROADSIDE SPRAYING CROSSING GUARDS EQUIPMENT MAINTAINED ON 10 PLAYGROUNDS 7 COMMUNITY FACILITIES SPLASH PAD 3 KM OF TRAILS 57 HECTARES OF OPEN SPACE 11 PARKS **1 STATE-OF-THE-ART INDOOR SPORTS FIELD** TURF MANAGEMENT OF 9 SPORTS FIELDS ROADSIDE MOWING STREET SWEEPING **ELECTIONS CULVERT REPLACEMENTS OUTDOOR ICE RINKS** COMMUNITY EVENTS LINE PAINTING WINTER ROAD PATROLLING BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT PROPERTY STANDARDS ENFORCEMENT