

# The Corporation of the Township of Laird

## Newsletter



**AUGUST 2020**

### Municipal Services



The municipal administrative office continues to be closed to the public until further notice. However, someone will be in the office each day, to take your calls and attempt to answer any questions you may have. The number for the office is (705) 248-2395 or e-mail us at [lairdtpw@soonet.ca](mailto:lairdtpw@soonet.ca).

Centennial Park at Pumpkin Point is now open to the public. To ensure the safety of family and friends, please practice social distancing and maintain a distance of 2 metres from those around you.

Township municipal halls remain closed until further notice.

Share Shed at the municipal disposal site remains closed, items will not be accepted while closed.

### Municipal Taxes:

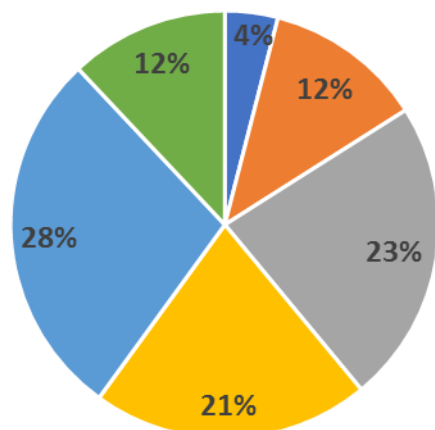


Final Tax Bills for 2020 have been issued and were mailed the week of August 10-15, so keep an eye out for your bill. If for some reason you did not receive your bill please contact the office at (705) 248-2395 and we will rectify the issue.

The office remains closed to the public, however payments can continue to be made on-line or left in the secure drop box at the steps of the municipal office. If you require a receipt for payments

you must let the office know in advance as we do not send out a receipt unless requested to do so to prevent waste.

### Breakdown of 2020 Municipal Taxes:



Council would like you to know where your taxes are distributed. Taxes collected, not only go to direct services the municipality provides, but to many levies from other sources and mandatory requirements.

The following levies account for the percentage of taxes collected in 2020 as indicated: Fire Services, 4%; Police Services, 12%; Algoma District Services Administration Board, 23%; another 21% for smaller levies.

In total, some 60% of the municipal tax is given over to other agencies and organizations, for which the township has no control. Another 12% to reserves as endorsed by the Asset Management Program and other obligations.

School board levies are shown separately on tax bills.