

The Corporation of the Township of Laird

Newsletter

NOVEMBER 2026



2026 Municipal Election – Official Results

The Township of Laird has certified the official results of the 2026 Municipal Election. **Mayor Shawn Evoy was acclaimed** for the 2026-2030 term. The following candidates have been elected to the office of Councillor: **Matthew Frolick, Justine Lamming, Todd Rydall, and Brad Shewfelt.**

Voter turnout for this election was **25.8%**, with **317 ballots cast**. Results can be viewed on the municipal website www.lairdtownship.ca or full printed results are available at the municipal office for residents who prefer not to access information online.

The Inaugural Meeting of the new Council will be held on November 26, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the Laird Township Boardroom. All residents are welcome to attend.

The Township thanks all election staff and all residents who participated in this year's election.

Recognition of Councillor Wayne Junor

At its meeting of October 15, 2026, Council formally recognized Councillor Wayne Junor for more than 31 years of dedicated service to the Township of Laird. Throughout his many years on Council, Wayne has demonstrated steady commitment to the community, contributing to local governance across multiple terms.

As part of this recognition, Council presented Councillor Junor with a municipal plaque honouring his long-standing service. Council also awarded him the Government of Ontario's Long-Standing Service Award, acknowledging more than 25 years of municipal service.

Council and staff extend their sincere appreciation to Wayne for his contributions and wish him the very best in his future endeavours.

Winter Road Safety Notice



The Road Department and Council remind residents that **snow must not be pushed onto or across Township roads**. Ridges and piles of frozen snow create hazardous conditions for road maintenance equipment, operators, and all who travel our roads.

Under **Section 181 of the Highway Traffic Act**, no person may deposit snow or ice on a roadway. This requirement helps ensure safe winter maintenance operations and protects all road users.

Please help us keep our roads safe by ensuring that snow from your driveway stays off municipal roadways.

A reminder as well that **parking on the roadway during snow season (beginning November 1 each year) is prohibited**. Vehicles found obstructing snow-removal operations may be towed at the owner's expense.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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Employment Opportunity: Senior Machine Operator (1-Year Contract)

The Township of Laird is accepting applications for a **Temporary Senior Machine Operator (1-Year Contract)**. This position supports municipal road maintenance and construction activities, including operating equipment such as a grader, plow truck, and backhoe. Applicants must have a valid DZ licence and relevant experience.

Applications are due November 6, 2026.

More information and the full posting are available at: www.lairdtownship.ca

Township Office Closure - Remembrance Day



The Township Office will be **closed on Wednesday, November 11, 2026**, in observance of Remembrance Day. Residents are welcome to leave a phone message or use the drop box while the office is closed.



Echo Bay and Bar River United Church - Outreach Christmas Cheer Program



As Christmas approaches, the Echo Bay and Bar River United Church Outreach Committee, with assistance from the Laird Recreation Committee, is collecting items for this year's Christmas Cheer Baskets. Thank you to our friends and neighbours, for your kindness and generosity in past years—your support has made a real difference for families facing difficult times.

Donations of Goods

Donations of canned food (especially meat and fruit), toiletries, hats, mittens, and socks for all ages, as well as dish soap, pasta sauce, peanut butter, and cereal, are greatly appreciated.

Items can be dropped off at:

- Laird Township Office (before December 12, 2026)
- Heritage Home Hardware (before December 12, 2026)

Be sure to check out the Angel Tree at Heritage Home Hardware if you wish to purchase a gift for a child.

Financial Donations

Financial contributions are also welcome and will receive an official tax receipt.

- Cheque: Payable to *Echo Bay United Church Outreach*, mailed to Box 447, Echo Bay, ON P0S 1C0
- E-transfer: echobaruc@gmail.com (marked *Outreach*)
- Credit Card: Through *Canada Helps* – search *Echo Bay United Church* and select *Outreach* from the drop-down list

If You Need Assistance

If you could use a little help this Christmas season and live in the P0S 1C0 catchment area, please reach out by November 29:

- Email: echobaruc@gmail.com
- Call or text Vivian: 705-248-1834
- Call Sheila: 705-248-2891

Thank you for helping make a difference in our community this Christmas.