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Executive Summary

We are pleased to share the 2023 initial budget submission. This will be the first budget process for most of you. Speaking for staff, we are bolstered by the distinct energy and enthusiasm of the new Mayor and Council. We have participated in numerous information and training sessions with Council and have recently been a part of the term planning sessions. Such collaboration will move the Corporation and the community forward in a consistent and measurable manner.

We begin this budget year with a revenue shortfall of \$1,240,000, representing a general levy increase of 6.65%. There are several key reasons why the starting point is at this level – most reasons involve the revenue side of the equation. The post-COVID fiscal environment means that all levels of government are looking to find ways to balance their budgets. We rely on the Provincial government for stable funding, known as the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF), which represents roughly 20% of revenues from our general budget. Apart from not keeping pace with inflationary increases, the amount of the fund has also decreased, placing additional pressure on other sources of income, such as taxation.

The other key area affecting the large shortfall is that our municipal tax levels have not kept up with the realities of providing service to the levels expected by past Councils. Last year, for example, the general levy increase was 1%, which only translates into an increase of 0.5 of 1% on the overall budget.

I hope that we can arrive at revenue and expenditure levels which will allow the Corporation to meet its service level requirements, while at the same time, provide the quality of life that we have become accustomed to.

I look forward to productive discussions at Council regarding the above.

Jay Barbeau Chief Administrative Officer Visit the Budget and Finance page online for more information about the budget process, understanding tax ratios and rates, or to see last year's budget documents.

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End of 2022 overall surplus: \$751, 585

Human Resources Costs

- Settled collective agreements with Fire, CUPE 01 and CUPE 02.
- Settlements were higher than estimates from the Budget 2022; therefore, higher wage and benefits costs in all departments.
- Significant backlog in training, due to COVID constraints in prior years, resulting in higher training costs in 2022.

Corporate Services

- Supplementals exceed budget, capture of building activity.
- Interest and penalties on overdue taxes exceeded budget. COVID delayed legislative tax collection processes which have recommenced.
- Refund of WSIB surpluses as a result of the changing WSIB framework, creating a one-time boost to miscellaneous revenue.
- Increased interest rates resulted in higher interest on accounts and on related party debt.
- Insurance claims were higher than anticipated as a result of a COVID backlog with numerous claims reaching settlements or finally reaching the Courts.
- Legal costs exceeded budget due to numerous challenges in 2022.
- Less write offs on taxation. This is expected in a year without an MPAC reassessment.

Public Works

- Vacancies throughout the year and timing of hiring of new personnel impacted wages and benefits.
- The dramatic upswing of fuel costs early in 2022, led fuel costs to exceed budget expectations.
- Materials costs (granular, culverts, etc.) are increasing.
- Fleet maintenance costs were also impacted by vacancies throughout the year.

Community Services

- Had the benefit of COVID relief funding to offset revenues.



- Retroactive lease payments from Statistics Canada were received in 2022 and were greater than anticipated at year end 2021, creating a bump in 2022 leasing revenue.
- Community Services saw the beginning of a return to pre-COVID activity levels, reflected in increased program and membership revenues.
- Facility maintenance was strained on many fronts lack of materials and contractors delayed projects, difficulty acquiring contractors led to higher than anticipated costs on services delivered (i.e., snow removal), renewed contracts with service providers (i.e. Honeywell) were expanded to include additional facilities to decrease long term maintenance costs but resulting in higher current year costs.
- Capital projects ran into significant hurdles (i.e. waiting for equipment delivery). These projects will be classified as work in progress and completed in 2023; unspent funds remain in reserves.

Fire

- Revenue from Fire response to emergencies on provincial highways greatly exceeded historical revenue.

Building and Planning

- Exceeded revenues by \$140,000.

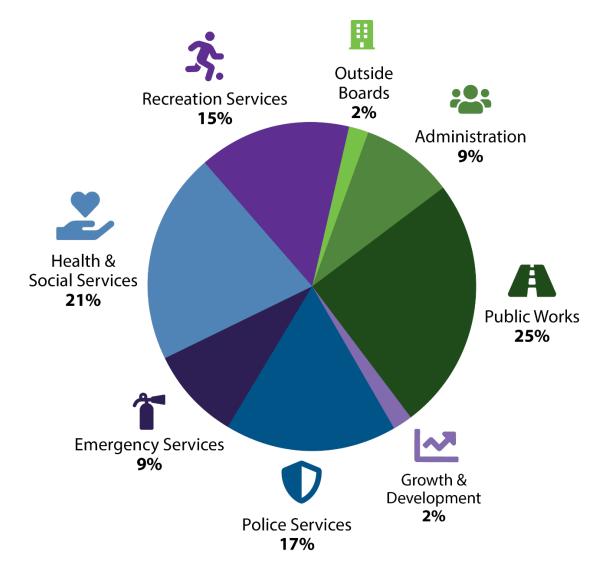
Police

- Court Security and Prisoner Transport grants for 2020 and 2021 were reconciled by the Province. As Courts were largely closed through this period, there was a resultant overpayment that was recaptured. This created a substantial decrease in revenue recognized in 2022.

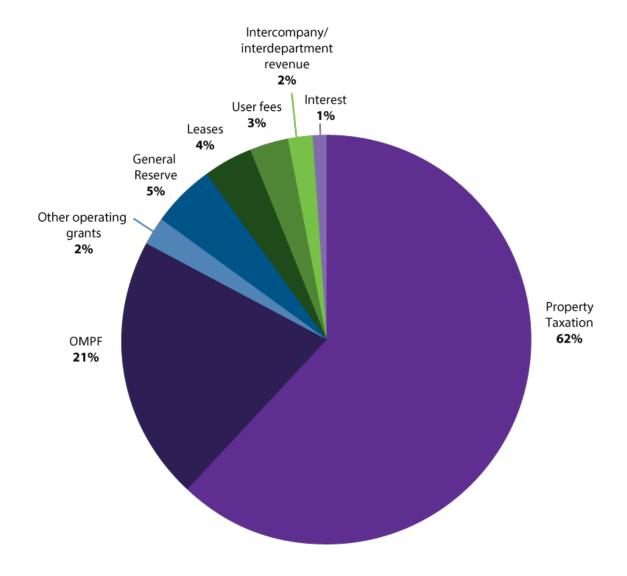
Boards and Levies

Substantially as budgeted.

Where your tax dollars went in 2022



Sources of Revenue (2022 budget)



2022 Tax Comparators

The tax burden on ratepayers is a combination of tax rate and assessment value. West Nipissing has a lower tax rate than some other municipalities. When combined with an average assessment that is slightly lower than some of our neighbours, it produces a lower tax burden on West Nipissing ratepayers.

	Callander	Elliot Lake	Espanola	French River	Kenora	North Bay	Sudbury	Tem. Shores	Average	West Nipissing
Tax Rate Residential	0.01050433	0.01888521	0.01512761	0.00871135	0.01248131	0.01466120	0.01152552	0.0115698	0.012933291	0.011065430
Median Assessment	261,000	98,000	153,000	152,000	192,000	226,000	239,000	192,000	189,125	174,000
Tax on Median Property	\$2,741.63	\$1,850.75	\$2,314.52	\$1,324.13	\$2,396.41	\$3,313.43	\$2,754.60	\$2,221.40	\$2,446.01	\$1,925.38

Relative to the average, our figures represent a taxation revenue shortfall of approximately \$1.85 million for single family dwellings alone.





2023 Key Budget Changes

The items highlighted in green are recommended changes that are considered variable, therefore requiring strategic decisions by Council.

Levies

Au Château	35,232	Includes a \$5,000 increase to senior's transportation. Levy increase is an estimate of 2%.	
DNSSAB	133,309	DNSSAB is a finalized levy increase and reflects the increased municipal levy from DNSSAB and the change in allocation between DNSSAB partners	
Health Unit	16,264	The Health Unit is a finalized levy increase and reflects the increased municipal levy from DNSSAB and the change in allocation between DNSSAB partners	
Animal Control	1,900	Animal Control reflects the contract with the North Bay & District Humane Society	

Council

Conferences & Training	15,000	Return to pre-COVID budget estimates for conferences	
Poverty Initiatives	10,000	A base amount for Council to apply to special initiatives or Community Safety and Well-being projects led by the Municipality	Strategic Decision

Public Works

Fuel Costs	112,000	Increase estimate in fuel costs to reflect current conditions and current levels of service	
Material	105,000	Increased costs in calcium, culverts, granular materials	



Corporate Services

Corporate Services Revenue	341,500	Increase in supplementals, interest revenue, and dividends	
Corporate Services Revenue	(240,700)	Decrease in COVID funding, OMPF, and special grants	
Election Reserve	25,000	Implementation of a \$25,000 per year contribution to a dedicated election reserve, to avoid going into General Reserve for elections every four years	
Junior Engineer (IT)	87,000	Provide support to all departments in network engineering	Strategic Decision

Community Services

Community Services Revenue	328,700	Return to pre-COVID activities and revenue. Increased lease revenue from Statistics Canada	
Community Services Revenue	(178,000)	Loss of COVID funding	
Project Manager	79,000	Provide support to Facilities management, both operational and capital rehabilitation. Current staffing levels are not adequate to manage all of our existing facilities, tenants, contractors, and capital projects	Strategic Decision
Lead Lifeguard	45,000	Provide daytime lifeguard coverage to support existing programming, assist with program development and monitoring	Strategic Decision
Contribution to Reserve	131,000	As Community Services has been undertaking facility reviews and developing asset management plans, the reserve is significantly underfunded. Year over year annual increases are required	Strategic Decision

Fire

Contribution to Reserve	50,000	Year over year annual increases are required to Fleet reserve to meet the demands of maintaining adequate fleet over 9 stations	Strategic Decision
Work clothes and safety equipment	31,000	Annual replacement of bunker suits, etc. and addition of uniforms for volunteer firefighters	



Economic Development

Special Projects	100,000	Increase in budget for special projects to address recommendations from housing study and Weyerhauser land use study, pursue BDO	Strategic Decision
		Zone designation	

Impacts all Departments

Insurance Increases	65,000	Reflects continued "hard market". The Municipality has a good claim record and management is participating in the risk assessment process	
Transfer of prior year surplus to current year	(357,100)	Decrease general reserve transfer to \$1,200,000	
Payroll		Except as noted separately, payroll increases reflect collective agreement increases, changes to benefits, and other uncontrollable changes (i.e. position was new in 2022 and only budgeted for partial year, now included as full year).	

Summary of All Categories

		2022		2023		
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Budget	Variance	
Revenues						
Property Taxation	18,796,017	18,664,053	131,964	19,024,713	360,660	
Payments in lieu	556,082	549,550	6,532	556,150	6,600	
OMPF	6,588,900	6,588,900	-	6,513,200	(75,700)	
Other Revenues	5,924,619	5,063,885	860,734	5,098,370	34,485	
Total Revenues	31,865,618	30,866,388	999,230	31,192,433	326,045	
Expenditures						
HR Costs	8,562,923	8,437,575	(125,348)	9,168,725	(731,150)	
Operating Expenses	7,795,000	7,796,553	1,553	8,235,235	(438682)	
Policing	4,844,109	4,684,750	(159,359)	4,684,750	-	
Social Programs	5,792,137	5,791,496	(641)	5,976,301	(184,805)	
			(222 -22)		(
Total Expenditures	26,994,169	26,710,374	(283,795)	28,065,011	(1,354,637)	
Local Boards						
Police	5,997	15,662	9,665	13,662	2,000	
Library	422,202	422,202	-	429,952	(7,750)	
Cemetery	19,739	46,240	26,501	46,240	-	
Total Board Expenditures	442,538	484,104	36,166	489,854	(5,750)	
Total Expenditures incl. Boards	27,442,107	27,194,478	(247,629)	28,554,865	(1,360,387)	



Surplus (Deficit)-Operating	4,423,511	3,671,910	751,601	2,637,568	(1,034,342)
Donations	-	-	-	_	-
Funding	(2,948,958)	(4,037,200)	(1,088,242)	(3,513,800)	(523,400)
Total Revenues-Capital Fund	(2,948,958)	(4,037,200)	(1,088,242)	(3,513,800)	(523,400)
Transfer to Reserve	3,459,000	3,459,000	-	3,665,000	(206,000)
Contribution from Reserve	(2,705,402)	(4,685,747)	(1,980,345)	(5,119,390)	433,643
Total Change in Reserves	753,598	(1,226,747)	(1,980,345)	(1,454,390)	227,643
Long Term Debt Financing			-		-
Payments on Loans	212,926	212,910	(16)	202,210	10,700
Total Change in Financing	212,926	212,910	(16)	202,210	10,700
Capital Assets					
Capital expenditures-Infrastructure	4,010,630	5,323,500	1,312,870	4,658,000	665,500
Capital expenditures	1,643,730	3,399,447	1,755,717	3,975,190	(575,743)
Total Capital Assets	5,654,360	8,722,947	3,068,587	8,633,190	89,757
	3,671,926	3,671,910	16	3,867,210	195,300
Surplus (Deficit)	751,585	-	751,585	(1,241,232)	(1,241,232)

Summary of Revenues and Expenses

		2022		2023		
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Budget	Variance	
Taxation						
Revenues	18,796,017	18,664,053	131,964	19,024,713	360,660	
Payments in lieu	556,082	549,550	6,532	556,150	6,600	
Provincial Grants-OMPF	6,588,900	6,588,900	-	6,513,200	(75,700)	
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General Government						
Revenues	3,321,163	2,862,720	458,443	2,662,470	(200,250)	
Expenses	3,746,840	3,539,596	(207,244)	3,510,686	27,820	
Surplus (Deficit)	(425,677)	(676,876)	251,199	(848,216)	(172,430)	
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Mayor & Council						
Expenses	222,002	225,085	3,083	261,085	(36,000)	
Public Works						
Revenues	86,071	80,000	6,071	80,000	-	
Expenses	6,863,227	6,786,940	(76,287)	7,072,720	(285,780)	
Surplus (Deficit)	(6,777,156)	(6,706,940)	(70,216)	(6,992,720)	(285,780)	



Community Services					
Revenues	1,894,344	1,643,665	250,679	1,807,900	164,235
Expenses	5,729,891	5,650,782	(79,109)	6,316,192	(645,410)
Surplus (Deficit)	(3,835,547)	(4,007,117)	171,570	(4,508,292)	(501,175)
Fire Department					
Revenues	57,837	18,000	39,837	18,000	-
Expenses	2,476,099	2,478,575	2,476	2,679,347	(200,772)
Surplus (Deficit)	(2,418,262)	(2,460,575)	42,313	(2,661,347)	(200,772)
Economic Development					
Revenues	120,077	154,500	(34,423)	155,000	500
Expenses	245,527	478,150	232,623	601,270	(123,120)
Surplus (Deficit)	(125,450)	(323,650)	198,200	(446,270)	(122,620)
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Planning & Development					
Revenues	445,127	305,000	140,127	375,000	70,000
Expenses	526,772	556,860	30,088	649,510	(92,650)
Sumplies (Deficit)	(81,645)	(251,860)	170,215	(274 510)	(22.650)
Surplus (Deficit)	(81,645)	(251,860)	170,215	(274,510)	(22,650)
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Emergency Management					
Expenses	146	3,500	3,354	3,500	
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Heritage Committee					
Emana		2.500	2.500	2.500	
Expenses	-	2,500	2,500	2,500	_



Policing					
Revenues	584,731	719,935	(135,204)	502,660	(217,275)
Expenses	5,428,840	5,404,685	(24,155)	5,187,410	217,275
Surplus (Deficit)	(4,844,109)	(4,684,750)	(159,359)	(4,684,750)	-
Police Board					
Expenses	5,997	15,662	9,665	13,662	2,000
Expenses	3,997	13,002	9,003	13,002	2,000
Libraries					
Expenses	422,202	422,202	-	429,952	(7,750)
Cemetery					
Expenses	19,739	46,240	26,501	46,240	-
Municipal Drains					
Expenses	122,917	87,500	(35,417)	87,500	_
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Animal Control					
Expenses	96,428	96,550	122	98,450	(1,900)
Health Services					
Expenses	431,650	431,650	-	447,914	(16,264)
DNSSAB					
Expenses	3,345,419	3,344,778	(641)	3,478,087	(133,309)



Home for the Aged-Au Château					
Expenses	2,015,068	2,015,068	-	2,050,300	(35,232)
Grand Total					
Revenues	32,450,349	31,586,323	864,026	31,695,093	108,770
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Expenses	31,698,764	31,586,323	(112,441)	32,936,325	(1,350,002)
Net Surplus (Deficit)	751,585	-	751,585	(1,241,232)	(1,241,232)

Reserve as of December 31, 2022

Opening Balance		5,580,533
Approved Transactions		
Transfer surplus to operations	(1,482,100)	
Transfer for Police Transition	(314,000)	
Elections	(75,000)	
		(1,871,100)
Interim Balance		3,709,433
Surplus		751,585
Ending Balance		4,461,018







Mayor and Council

Members of Council partake in a variety of committees within the community throughout their four-year term. They are also involved in training, conferences, and workshops. Council budget includes honorariums and associated payroll costs, special events, and small amounts of administrative expenses. Council honorariums are adjusted annually based on the CPI-W of the prior November. In November 2022, CPI-W was 6.1%.

	2022			2023	
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Budget	Variance
Expenditures					
HR Costs					
Salaries & Wages	152,785	160,800	8,015	170,600	(9,800)
Benefits	14,046	19,860	5,814	21,060	(1,200)
Education	11,501	5,000	(6,501)	20,000	(15,000)
Total HR Costs	178,332	185,660	7,328	211,660	(26,000)
Operating Costs					
Advertising	713	3,000	2,287	3,000	-
Community Projects	-	7,200	7,200	7,200	-
Legal	-	-	-	-	-
Office Supplies	1,714	3,025	1,311	3,025	-
Professional Fees	26,166	25,000	(1,166)	25,000	-
Utilities & Telecommunication	825	1,200	375	1,200	-
Miscellaneous	1,600	-	(1,600)	10,000	(10,000)
Non TCA Expenses	12,652	-	(12,652)	-	-





Total Material, Supplies & Rents	43,670	39,425	(4,245)	49,425	(10,000)
Total Operating Expenditures	222,002	225,085	3,083	261,085	(36,000)
Capital Assets					
Contribution from Dedicated Reserve	(33,731)	(38,000)	(4,269)	-	(38,000)
Capital expenditures-Equipment	33,731	38,000	4,269	-	38,000
Total Capital Assets	-	-	-	-	-
Net Surplus (Deficit)	(222,002)	(225,085)	3,083	(261,085)	(36,000)





Corporate Services

The Corporate Services Department provides administrative services that support the work of Council, management, and staff in their delivery of efficient municipal services. The team is responsible for: Accounting Services, Financial Support, Taxation and Utility Revenue, Human Resources, Policy Development, By-law Enforcement, Information Technology and Communications.

	2022			2023		
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Budget	Variance	
Revenues						
Taxation Revenue	18,796,017	18,664,053	131,964	19,024,713	(360,660)	
Payments in Lieu	556,082	549,550	6,532	556,150	(6,600)	
OMPF	6,588,900	6,588,900	-	6,513,200	75,700	
Grants	146,520	200,000	(53,480)	50,000	150,000	
Interest Income	314,011	125,500	188,511	327,000	(201,500)	
Licenses and Fees	43,421	39,700	3,721	44,700	(5,000)	
P.O.A.	10,953	10,000	953	10,000	-	
Management Fees	143,201	143,000	201	143,000	-	
Penalties & Interest	311,147	200,000	111,147	275,000	(75,000)	
Miscellaneous Income	101,196	14,000	87,196	14,000	-	
COVID Relief funding	-	15,000	(15,000)	-	15,000	
Sale of land	101,172	-	101,172	-	-	
Interdepartmental Charges	207,444	208,420	(976)	213,770	(5,350)	
General Reserve	1,557,098	1,557,100	(2)	1,200,000	357,100	
Dividend Income	385,000	350,000	35,000	385,000	(35,000)	
Total Revenues	29,262,162	28,665,223	596,939	28,756,533	(91,310)	



Expenditures					
HR Costs					
Salaries & Wages	1,459,577	1,400,600	(58,977)	1,474,400	(73,800)
Benefits	360,190	345,080	(15,110)	369,570	(24,490)
Education	36,139	13,500	(22,639)	25,000	(11,500)
Total HR Costs	1,855,906	1,759,180	(96,726)	1,868,970	(109,790)
One section Costs					
Operating Costs	26 120	40.250	14 111	40.350	
Advertising	26,139	40,250	14,111	40,250	-
Election Costs	113,655	100,000	(13,655)	-	100,000
General Insurance	151,007	151,000	(7)	163,500	(12,500)
IT and Support	217,473	158,725	(58,748)	171,125	(12,400)
Insurance Settlements	153,176	75,000	(78,176)	75,000	-
Contractors	7,168	8,000	832	8,000	-
Interest Expense	13,361	13,000	(361)	13,000	-
Interest on Loans	31	2,600	2,569	2,500	100
Leasing Expense	16,260	28,000	11,740	17,000	11,000
Legal	146,513	50,000	(96,513)	65,000	(15,000)
Materials	29	2,000	1,971	2,000	-
Memberships	15,728	17,500	1,772	17,500	-
Office Supplies	70,809	68,020	(2,789)	71,020	(3,000)
Professional Fees	87,239	85,000	(2,239)	85,000	-
Property Assessment	244,458	244,621	163	244,621	-
Repairs & Maintenance	32,619	55,500	22,881	55,500	-
Services and Rents	21,102	18,500	(2,602)	18,500	-
Special Projects	57,470	135,000	77,530	50,000	85,000
Utilities & Telecommunication	51,118	52,000	882	52,200	(200)



Vehicle Expenses	2,043	15,000	12,957	15,000	_
Write Offs	136,027	188,000	51,973	188,000	-
Non TCA Expenses	56,793	2,000	(54,793)	2,000	_
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Total Material, Supplies & Rents	1,620,218	1,509,716	(110,502)	1,356,716	153,000
Total Expenditures	3,476,124	3,268,896	(207,228)	3,225,686	43,210
Net Surplus (Deficit) Operations	25,786,038	25,396,327	389,711	25,530,847	134,520
Transfer to Reserve	210,000	210,000	-	235,000	(25,000)
Contribution from Reserve	(147,525)	(140,400)	7,125	(158,500)	(18,100)
Total Change in Reserves	62,475	69,600	7,125	76,500	(43,100)
Payments on Loans	60,716	60,700	(16)	50,000	10,700
Total Change in Financing	60,716	60,700	(16)	50,000	10,700
Capital Assets					
Capital expenditures-Equipment	147,525	140,400	(7,125)	158,500	(18,100)
Total Capital Assets	147,525	140,400	(7,125)	158,500	(18,100)
	270,716	270,700	(16)	285,000	(14,300)
Surplus (Deficit)	25,515,322	25,125,627	389,695	25,245,847	120,220



Public Works

The Public Works team is comprised of two service areas: road maintenance, and water distribution/collection. This team maintains our streets, gravel roads, and sidewalks while attempting to prolong infrastructure life cycle. The Municipality is required by provincial legislation to respect the Minimum Maintenance Standards for Municipal Highways (Regulation 239/02).

	2022			2023	
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Budget	Variance
Revenues					
Miscellaneous Income	86,071	80,000	6,071	80,000	-
Total Revenues	86,071	80,000	6,071	80,000	-
Expenditures					
HR Costs					
Salaries & Wages	1,696,339	1,777,200	80,861	1,815,900	(38,700)
Benefits	486,353	463,400	(22,953)	490,140	(26,740)
Education	19,267	10,500	(8,767)	12,500	(2,000)
Total HR Costs	2,201,959	2,251,100	49,141	2,318,540	(67,440)
Operating Costs					
Advertising	394	2,000	1,606	2,000	-
Contractors	300,845	265,000	(35,845)	265,000	-
General Insurance	339,251	341,800	2,549	366,080	(24,280)
IT & Support	23,459	23,200	(259)	23,700	(500)
Leasing Expense	3,855	4,500	645	4,500	-
Licenses & Permits	36,345	30,000	(6,345)	30,000	-



Materials	954,308	935,000	(19,308)	1,040,000	(105,000)
Office Supplies	18,910	11,600	(7,310)	14,100	(2,500)
Professional Fees	-	4,000	4,000	4,000	-
Repairs & Maintenance	(9,572)	34,500	44,072	35,000	(500)
Services and Rents	236,740	236,000	(740)	236,000	-
Supplies	44,043	47,000	2,957	40,000	7,000
Utilities & Telecommunication	260,981	304,240	43,259	280,800	23,440
Vehicle Expenses	827,630	667,000	(160,630)	783,000	(116,000)
Non TCA Expenses	(921)	5,000	5,921	5,000	-
Total Material, Supplies & Rents	3,036,268	2,910,840	(125,428)	3,129,180	(218,340)
Total Expenditures	5,238,227	5,161,940	(76,287)	5,447,720	(285,780)
Net Surplus (Deficit) Operations	(5,152,156)	(5,081,940)	(70,216)	(5,367,720)	(285,780)
Funding	(2,940,571)	(3,846,800)	(906,229)	(3,331,900)	514,900
Total Revenues-Capital Fund	(2,940,571)	(3,846,800)	(906,229)	(3,331,900)	514,900
Transfer to Reserve	1,625,000	1,625,000	-	1,625,000	-
Contribution from Reserve	(1,878,329)	(2,274,947)	(396,618)	(2,025,100)	249,847
Total Change in Reserves	(253,329)	(649,947)	(396,618)	(400,100)	249,847
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Capital Assets					
Capital expenditures-Infrastructure	4,010,630	5,323,500	1,312,870	4,658,000	(665,500)
Capital expenditures-Equipment	808,270	798,247	(10,023)	699,000	(99,247)
Total Capital Assets	4,818,900	6,121,747	1,302,847	5,357,000	(764,747)
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	1,625,000	1,625,000	-	1,625,000	-
Surplus (Deficit)	(6,777,156)	(6,706,940)	(70,216)	(6,992,720)	(285,780)



Drains

The Municipality has approximately 125 Municipal Drains located primarily in agricultural and rural areas of the Municipality. Approximately 3 drains per year are constructed requiring new Engineer's Reports.

	2022			2023	
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Budget	Variance
Expenditures					_
Drainage Maintenance	28,717	7,500	(21,217)	7,500	-
Superintendent Fees	34,200	20,000	(14,200)	20,000	-
Municipal portion of drains	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	62,917	27,500	(35,417)	27,500	-
Net Surplus (Deficit) Operations	(62,917)	(27,500)	(35,417)	(27,500)	-
Transfer to Reserve	60,000	60,000	-	60,000	-
Contribution from Reserve	-	-	-	-	
Total Change in Reserves	60,000	60,000	-	60,000	-
Surplus (Deficit)	(122,917)	(87,500)	(35,417)	(87,500)	_



Community Services

The Community Services Department oversees a wide range of public services related to: sports and leisure, arts and culture, community events, community development, and educational programs. The Community Services team engages in strategic and collaborative partnerships with community groups, non-profit organizations, and residents. The department is also responsible for the planning, administration, operation, and maintenance of all municipal buildings and much of the green space that surrounds them. The team manages capital projects related to the repair, rehabilitation, or expansion of municipal facilities.

_	2022			2023	
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Budget	Variance
Revenues					
Federal Grants	24,158	30,000	(5,842)	45,000	15,000
Provincial Grants	-	8,000	(8,000)	8,000	-
Donations	6,950	-	6,950	-	-
Arenas	171,247	209,000	(37,753)	286,000	77,000
Canteen Sales	64,174	77,000	(12,826)	77,000	-
Program Revenues	18,732	5,000	13,732	10,000	5,000
Fitness and Pool Revenues	43,677	40,000	3,677	45,000	5,000
Memberships	43,375	-	43,375	108,000	108,000
Advertising	-	1,500	(1,500)	5,000	3,500
Rentals	1,344,172	1,095,165	249,007	1,223,900	128,735
COVID relief funds	177,859	178,000	(141)	-	(178,000)
Miscellaneous Income	-	-	-	-	-
Total Revenues	1,894,344	1,643,665	250,679	1,807,900	164,235
Expenditures					
HR Costs					



Salaries & Wages	1,776,768	1,662,400	(114,368)	1,967,900	(305,500)
Benefits	406,809	421,100	14,291	504,500	(83,400)
Education	15,580	31,500	15,920	40,500	(9,000)
Total HR Costs	2,199,157	2,115,000	(84,157)	2,512,900	(397,900)
Operating Costs					
Cost of Goods Sold	46,818	45,000	(1,818)	45,000	-
Materials & Supplies	18,185	20,000	1,815	25,000	(5,000)
Subcontractors	30,390	40,000	9,610	40,000	-
Advertising & Promotion	10,528	10,000	(528)	20,000	(10,000)
Community Initiatives	18,967	15,000	(3,967)	15,000	-
Community Projects	82,380	125,000	42,620	125,000	-
General Insurance	351,173	336,200	(14,973)	355,510	(19,310)
Interest and Bank Charges	64,926	73,630	8,704	62,040	11,590
IT & Support	48,334	42,600	(5,734)	52,800	(10,200)
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Licenses & Permits	13,030	5,000	(8,030)	6,000	(1,000)
Office Supplies	34,931	41,500	6,569	43,500	(2,000)
Professional Fees	58,536	60,000	1,464	60,000	-
Repairs & Maintenance	556,421	453,500	(102,921)	472,500	(19,000)
Services and Rents	84,870	70,000	(14,870)	100,000	(30,000)
Utilities & Telecommunication	735,481	822,142	86,661	822,142	-
Vehicle Expenses	30,826	45,000	14,174	45,000	-
Non TCA Expenses	73,728	60,000	(13,728)	100,000	(40,000)
Total Material, Supplies & Rents	2,259,524	2,264,572	5,048	2,389,492	(124,920)
Total Expenditures	4,458,681	4,379,572	(79,109)	4,902,392	(522,820)
Net Surplus (Deficit) Operations	(2,564,337)	(2,735,907)	171,570	(3,094,492)	(358,585)



Grants	(8,387)	(190,400)	182,013	(181,900)	(8,500)
Donations	-	-	-	_	-
Total Revenues-Capital Fund	(8,387)	(190,400)	182,013	(181,900)	(8,500)
Transfer to Reserve	1,119,000	1,119,000	_	1,250,000	(131,000)
Contribution from Reserve	(679,548)	(1,890,400)	(1,210,852)	(2,065,790)	(175,390)
Total Change in Reserves	439,452	(771,400)	(1,210,852)	(815,790)	(44,390)
Payments on Loans	100,710	100,710	-	112,300	(11,590)
Lease repayment	51,500	51,500	-	51,500	_
Total Change in Financing	152,210	152,210	-	163,800	(11,590)
Capital Assets					
Capital expenditures	523,637	1,823,500	1,299,863	2,130,700	(307,200)
Capital expenditures-Equipment	164,298	257,300	93,002	116,990	140,310
Total Capital Assets	687,935	2,080,800	1,392,865	2,247,690	(166,890)
	1,271,210	1,271,210	-	1,413,800	142,590
Surplus (Deficit)	(3,835,547)	(4,007,117)	171,570	(4,508,292)	(501,175)



Planning and Building

The Planning Department provides information and guidance to the public relative to development approval processes, Official Plan policies and the Zoning By-law. Planning oversees development, controls, and zoning, as well as long-range community planning.

The Building Department utilizes an efficient system of building permits and conducts inspections to ensure that construction projects in West Nipissing adhere to provincial and municipal regulations. On average, 300 building permits are approved in West Nipissing each year.

		2022		2023	
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Budget	Variance
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Revenues					
Building Permits	318,139	225,000	93,139	280,000	55,000
Planning Consent	64,395	45,000	19,395	57,500	12,500
Other Revenue	62,593	35,000	27,593	37,500	2,500
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Total Revenues	445,127	305,000	140,127	375,000	70,000
Expenditures					
HR Costs					
Salaries & Wages	361,455	384,400	22,945	411,600	(27,200)
Benefits	117,527	118,360	833	134,310	(15,950)
Education	3,206	11,000	7,794	11,000	-
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Total HR Costs	482,188	513,760	31,572	556,910	(43,150)
Operating Costs					
Office Supplies	30,452	24,900	(5,552)	31,400	(6,500)



Legal	2,559	5,000	2,441	5,000	_
Professional Fees	3,190	2,000	(1,190)	7,500	(5,500)
Special Projects	-	-	-	37,500	(37,500)
Utilities & Telecommunication	3,260	4,000	740	4,000	-
Non TCA Expenses	5,123	7,200	2,077	7,200	-
Total Material, Supplies & Rents	44,584	43,100	(1,484)	92,600	(49,500)
Total Material, Supplies & Rents Total Expenditures	44,584 526,772	43,100 556,860	(1,484) 30,088	92,600 649,510	(49,500) (92,650)



Economic Development

Economic Development promotes a stable and diverse economy through job creation, business attraction, growth, and expansion. The team collaborates closely with an established network of local, regional, provincial, and federal partners.

	2022			2023	
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Budget	Variance
Revenues					
Grants	120,077	154,500	(34,423)	155,000	500
Other Revenue	-	-	-	-	
Total Revenues	120,077	154,500	(34,423)	155,000	500
Expenditures					
HR Costs					
Salaries & Wages	82,389	91,000	8,611	93,820	(2,820)
Benefits	16,502	20,700	4,198	21,800	(1,100)
Education	645	4,500	3,855	6,500	(2,000)
Total HR Costs	99,536	116,200	16,664	122,120	(5,920)
Operating Costs					
Advertising	2,499	25,000	22,501	15,000	10,000
Community Projects	-	110,000	110,000	350,000	(240,000)
Priority Projects	120,207	150,000	29,793	-	150,000
Doctor Recruitment	20,000	25,000	5,000	25,000	-
Interest on Loans	-	-	-	-	-
IT and Support	109	2,500	2,391	2,500	-
Office Supplies	2,249	7,250	5,001	9,450	(2,200)



Professional Fees	542	40,000	39,458	75,000	(35,000)
Supplies	-	-	-	-	-
Materials	-	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
Telephone	385	1,200	815	1,200	-
Total Operating Costs	145,991	361,950	215,959	479,150	(117,200)
Total Expenditures	245,527	478,150	232,623	601,270	(123,120)
Net Surplus (Deficit) Operations	(125,450)	(323,650)	198,200	(446,270)	(122,620)



Fire Service

The West Nipissing Fire Service is responsible for receiving and dispatching appropriate stations to all fire and emergency calls received in the Municipality. They are also in charge of fire and injury prevention, as well as public education.

	2022			2023	
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Budget	Variance
Revenues					
Miscellaneous Income	57,837	18,000	39,837	18,000	-
		40.000		40.000	
Total Revenues	57,837	18,000	39,837	18,000	-
Expenditures					
HR Costs					
Salaries & Wages	1,194,016	1,130,500	(63,516)	1,166,300	(35,800)
Benefits	339,306	339,575	269	377,325	(37,750)
Education	12,523	26,600	14,077	34,000	(7,400)
Total HR Costs	1,545,845	1,496,675	(49,170)	1,577,625	(80,950)
Operating Costs					
Materials & Supplies	35,476	60,000	24,524	60,000	_
General Insurance	60,971	61,000	29	66,850	(5,850)
Interfund transfers	22,000	22,000	-	22,000	-
Licenses & Permits	625	1,600	975	11,600	(10,000)
Office Supplies	52,918	65,780	12,862	69,300	(3,520)



Repairs & Maintenance	92,946	102,500	9,554	92,100	10,400
Services and Rents	14,079	25,500	11,421	37,500	(12,000)
Utilities & Telecommunication	109,623	104,220	(5,403)	133,072	(28,852)
Vehicle Expenses	96,616	94,300	(2,316)	114,300	(20,000)
Total Material, Supplies & Rents	485,254	536,900	51,646	606,772	(69,822)
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Total Expenditures	2,031,099	2,033,575	2,476	2,184,347	(150,772)
Net Surplus (Deficit) Operations	(1,973,262)	(2,015,575)	42,313	(2,166,347)	(150,772)
Transfer to Reserve	445,000	445,000		40E 000	(E0 000)
	445,000		-	495,000	(50,000)
Contribution from Reserve		(380,000)	(380,000)	(870,000)	(490,000)
Total Change in Reserves	445,000	65,000	(380,000)	(375,000)	(540,000)
Capital Assets					
Capital expenditures-Equipment		380,000	380,000	870,000	(490,000)
Total Capital Assets	-	380,000	380,000	870,000	(490,000)
	445,000	445,000	-	495,000	50,000
Surplus (Deficit)	(2,418,262)	(2,460,575)	42,313	(2,661,347)	(200,772)

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Committees

Emergency Measures Heritage Committee

	2022		2	023
Actual	Budget	Variance	Budget	Variance
146	3,500	3,354	3,500	-
	2,500	2,500	2,500	-
146	6,000	5,854	6,000	-



Boards

The local boards represent services provided to the community that are governed by their own boards of directors. These services are funded, in part, by their own revenue generation and fundraising, and in part through municipal contribution. The portion shown here is the municipal contribution. Though the Council has the ability to approve the level of expenditures to these boards (amount of money that the Municipality is willing to contribute), the Council has little or no control over how the money is spent or individual line items within these budgets.

	2022			2023	
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Budget	Variance
Police Board	5,997	15,662	(9,665)	13,662	2,000
Library	422,202	422,202	-	429,952	(7,750)
Cemetery	19,7396	46,240	(26,501)	46,240	
Total Boards	447,938	484,104	(36,166)	489,854	(5,750)

Police Services Board

As per the *Police Services Act* of Ontario, the Police Services Board advises the Ontario Provincial Police – Nipissing West Detachment Commander with respect to police services in the Municipality. This includes determining objectives and priorities for police services in consultation with the detachment commander, establishing local policies, and monitoring performance of the detachment commander.

West Nipissing Public Library Board

The WNPL is a community resource that is committed to furthering the acquisition of knowledge, fostering literacy, and promoting life-long learning by serving the needs of our community. The main branch is located in Sturgeon Falls, accompanied by 4 satellite branches located in Cache Bay, Field, Verner and River Valley. The management of the Library is overseen by the WNPL Board.

Cemetery Board

The Cemetery Board oversees the effective operation of municipally owned cemeteries and provides guidance to the cemetery caretakers.



Policing

The OPP – Nipissing West detachment provides police services for West Nipissing, with local objectives, priorities, and policies advised by the Police Services Board. The Policing expenditure is no longer compiled based on a transition strategy. 2023 marks our first year with the new expenditure model.

	2022			2023		
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Budget	Variance	
Revenues						
Grants	(68,574)	123,735	(192,309)	130,000	6,265	
Lease	307,105	258,200	48,905	338,660	80,460	
Other Revenue	32,200	24,000	8,200	34,000	10,000	
Contribution from General Reserve	314,000	314,000	-	-	(314,000)	
Total Revenues	584,731	719,935	(135,204)	502,660	(217,275)	
Expenditures						
HR Costs						
Salaries & Wages	-	-	-	-	-	
Benefits	11,122	8,000	(3,122)	8,000	-	
Total HR Costs	11,122	8,000	(3,122)	8,000		
Total Tik Costs	11,122	8,000	(3,122)	8,000	-	
Operating Costs						
Contractors	4,654,910	4,654,562	(348)	3,398,600	1,255,962	
Insurance	-	12,140	12,140	13,200	(1,060)	
Facility Maintenance	110,389	93,168	(17,221)	111,000	(17,832)	

Utilities & Telecommunication	94,748	72,500	(22,248)	96,000	(23,500)
Total Operating Costs	4,860,047	4,832,370	(27,677)	3,618,800	1,213,570
Total Expenditures Net Surplus (Deficit) Operations	4,871,169 (4,286,438)	4,840,370 (4,120,435)	(30,799) (166,003)	3,626,800 (3,124,140)	1,213,570 996,295
Financing Costs Total Change in Financing	557,671 557,671	564,315 564,315	(6,644) (6,644)	1,560,610 1,560,610	(996,295) (996,295)
-	557,671	564,315	(6,644)	1,560,610	996,295
Surplus (Deficit)	(4,844,109)	(4,684,750)	(159,359)	(4,684,750)	



Service Partners

Levies and Contracts

	2022			2023		
	Actual Budget Variance		Budget	Variance		
					_	
DNSSAB	3,345,419	3,344,778	(641)	3,478,087	(133,309)	
Au Château	2,015,068	2,015,068	-	2,050,300	(35,232)	
Health Unit	431,650	431,650	-	447,914	(16,264)	
Animal Control	96,428	96,550	122	98,450	(1,900)	
Total Levies	5,888,565	5,888,046	-519	6,074,751	(186,705)	

District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board (DNSSAB)

The DNSSAB is responsible for the funding and administration of social housing programs and works to prevent homelessness in the Nipissing District.

Au Château

This 160-bed Long-Term Care Home supports older adults and adults with disabilities and helps individuals remain independent in their own homes for as long as possible.

Nipissing Parry Sound District Health Unit

Providing services to over 120,000 residents within an area consisting of most of Nipissing District, and all of Parry Sound District, the Health Unit works locally with individuals, families, the community and partner agencies to promote and protect health and to prevent disease. The Health Unit is governed by the Board of Health.

Animal Control Services

The North Bay and District Humane Society is contracted by the Municipality to provide animal control and after-hours emergency services for injured dogs and cats at large.





Dedicated Reserve as of December 31, 2022

	Opening Balance	Additions	Transfer to Capital Fund	Reserve Available	Expenditure	Ending Balance
Municipal Reserves						
General Government IT	21,601	45,000		66,601	34,022	32,579
General Government Facilities	26,934	165,000		191,934	147,234	44,700
Evansville Playground	5,108		15	5,123		5,123
Bylaw - vehicle	3,075			3,075		3,075
Council - Seniors	7,200			7,200		7,200
Fire Services-Equipment Reserve	58,545	45,000		103,545	12,174	91,371
Fire Services - Fleet	396,429	300,000		696,429		696,429
Fire Services - Facilities	471,700	100,000		571,700		571,700
Fire Services - Fire Marque	38,951			38,951		38,951
Emergency Measures	73,768			73,768		73,768
Au Château	315,240	500,000		815,240		815,240
Community Services - Equipment & Parks	980,366	319,000		1,299,366	425,548	873,818
Community Services - Facility	-	800,000		800,000	254,000	546,000
Parks from Planning	34,229			34,229		34,229
Museum	52,058			52,058		52,058
Downtown Beautification	425			425		425
Municipal Drains	-	60,000		60,000		60,000
Public Works (Fleet)	151,726	650,000		801,726	801,726	-
Public Works (Infrastructure)	-	975,000		975,000	601,634	373,366
Public Works (Planning)	18,037			18,037		18,037
Public Works (Verner Garage)	250,000			250,000	250,000	-
Public Works (Nature's Trail)	201,699			201,699	201,699	-
Public Works (Front Street)	50,000			50,000	23,269	26,731
<u>-</u>	3,157,093	3,959,000	15	7,116,108	2,751,307	4,364,801



Board Reserves

Police Services-Contingency Reserve	469			469		469
Police Transition	132,396			132,396	-	132,396
Cemeteries	27,133	5,400		32,533		32,533
	159,997	5,400	-	165,397	-	165,397
	3,317,090	3,964,400	15	7,281,505	2,751,307	4,530,198



Analysis of Debt as of December 31, 2022

 Municipal Debt
 12,005,674.96

 Water & Sewer Debt:
 4,628,406.56

 Consolidated Debt
 16,634,081.52

	Opening	Add'l loans	Principal	Interest	Payments	Closing
Infrastructure Ontario (Emerg)	535,356.76	-	102,541.50	10,961.96	113,503.46	432,815.26
Administration Building	10,716.08		10,716.08	30.85	10,746.93	-
Infrastructure Ontario (Roof)	688,174.70	-	49,411.99	23,995.53	73,407.52	638,762.71
Infrastructure Ontario (CS)	587,138.17		90,695.71	16,995.47	107,691.18	496,442.46
Ambulance Bay	768,087.85	-	64,505.30	23,646.94	88,152.24	703,582.55
Waterfront II	241,008.04	-	43,445.92	7,040.36	50,486.28	197,562.12
Infrastructure Ontario (OPP)	3,636,000.00	1,000,000.00	122,080.86	73,017.00	195,097.86	4,513,919.14
Infrastructure Ontario (OPP)	4,864,000.00		46,309.69	85,606.40	131,916.09	4,817,690.31
NOHFC Museum	204,900.41		-	-	-	204,900.41
	11,535,382.01	1,000,000.00	529,707.05	241,294.51	771,001.56	12,005,674.96

	Opening	Add'l loans	Principal	Interest	Payments	Closing
Water Sewer #1	3,939,319.44		595,341.71	232,611.04	827,952.75	3,343,977.73
Water Sewer #2 (2009)	933,819.45	-	110,659.85	41,521.75	152,181.60	823,159.60
Water Sewer #3 (2010)	636,326.72	-	175,057.49	27,790.89	202,848.38	461,269.23
	5,509,465.61	-	881,059.05	301,923.68	1,182,982.73	4,628,406.56

