

The following provides an update on recent work completed by the Building Department:

- Building General
  - Attended stakeholder meetings to discuss future or on-going development
  - Participated in, and provided comment on, development/planning pre-consultations
  - Assisted in the implementation of accepting online credit card payments
  - Continued training for the administration and implementation of the new 2024 Ontario Building Code
  
- Permit Renewal
  - Continuing to work with property owners to close permits or keep construction progressing
  - 40 additional permits closed since last report
  - ≈430 permits remaining for additional review
  
- Permitting
  - Approximate 16% reduction in permit submissions YTD compared to 2023
    - Q4 2023 to 2024 saw a 12% reduction in submissions
      - 30% Accessory Structures
      - 30% Septic
      - No new dwellings (balance were alteration/addition submissions)
  - Department revenues are sufficient to provide for a balanced budget
  
- Investigations
  - Responded to multiple new and ongoing enforcement issues (animals, property standards, construction without permit, etc.).
    - 9 new files opened since last report
    - Monitoring the effects of Canada Post strike on by-law enforcement to determine if alternative solutions for postal services are needed.

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