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Questions from Candidates

Can you please tell me if the election campaign rules for acclaimed candidates are the same as for unacclaimed candidates? Can acclaimed candidates use their municipal email address?

Candidates may campaign as they wish, even if acclaimed, but municipal resources (i.e., email) are not to be used. Acclaimed candidates will also still need to keep track of finances spent.

Can you tell me what the tax contribution vs. money spent per ward is for different municipal services?

The Municipality of Mississippi Mills uses the same tax rates for all wards, depending on property type. 52% of assessed value is in Ramsay, 32% in Almonte, and 16% in Pakenham.

There are 371 km of roads in the Municipality. 55% of the linear kms are in Pakenham (60% gravel and 40% paved/surface treated), 32% in Ramsay (50% gravel and 50% paved/surface treated), and 13% in Almonte (mostly paved surfaces).

Of the 21 Municipal facilities, 48% are located in Almonte, 29% in Pakenham, and 24% in Ramsay. Facilities include fire stations, public works garages and facilities, recreation facilities, libraries, and office spaces.

There are 29 bridges and culverts overall: 41% in Almonte, 31% in Pakenham, and 28% in Ramsay.

An analysis of roads costs by ward has been completed, taking into consideration paved, surface treated, and gravel roads, and associated lifecycle costs. In this analysis, Almonte roads cost 42% of lifecycle spending, Pakenham roads 36%, and Ramsay roads 22%.

Winter maintenance costs have also been examined. Excluding the capital cost of machinery, the costs are allocated as 55% Pakenham, 32% Ramsay, and 13% Almonte.

The municipal waste levy is a flat fee per household, and all residents receive curbside pickup services. Urban residents (including those in rural subdivisions) receive curbside

Christmas tree collection as well as twice-per-year leaf and yard waste collection. Rural waste collection based on distance travelled is more costly than urban collection.

Water and sewer services are only charged to residents who have access to those services based on a flat rate plus consumption charge.