

# Have Your Say!

## *You Can Influence What Happens in Rideau Lakes in 2024*

We are encouraging you to participate in the Township Budget survey and asking you to give special consideration when rating Township priorities listed at Question #17.

**PLEASE**, think about the importance of giving Municipal offices and staff the high priority they deserve. **Why?**

Because without properly functioning, modern technology, response to public operations and emergencies is compromised.

Because current offices do not have ramps or elevators or other essential accessibility features if you need them.

Because lack of space for employees affects their ability to serve you with the efficiency

and effectiveness you deserve.

Because the building does not have safe drinking water and offices flood in heavy rains.

Because there is not enough space for public wishing to attend Council meetings.

Because you, the taxpayers, deserve offices situated in a more geographically central location.

Instead of addressing the deplorable state of our Municipal offices intended to serve you, Council is moving forward with a Portland Hall/Library, open approximately 28 hours per week, and neglecting the needs of all Rideau Lakes residents.

**Don't take our word for it – check out the Township website!**

[January 16, 2023](#), Council meeting

- Municipal Hub, ready to tender, voted down.

[May 23, 2023](#), meeting

–Portland Hall/Library takes precedence over critical Township priorities.

*(Relevant extracts of these meetings are [here](#))*

The [Budget Survey](#) is anonymous and on the Rideau Lakes Township website until October 1<sup>st</sup>. At Question 17 use the up-arrow button to make the Municipal offices and the needs of the entire Township a high priority. You can make a difference!

***Rideau Lakes Grassroots Group: Individuals from across the Township focussed on raising awareness about the direction of current Council. For more information visit [lgrassroots.com](http://lgrassroots.com)***