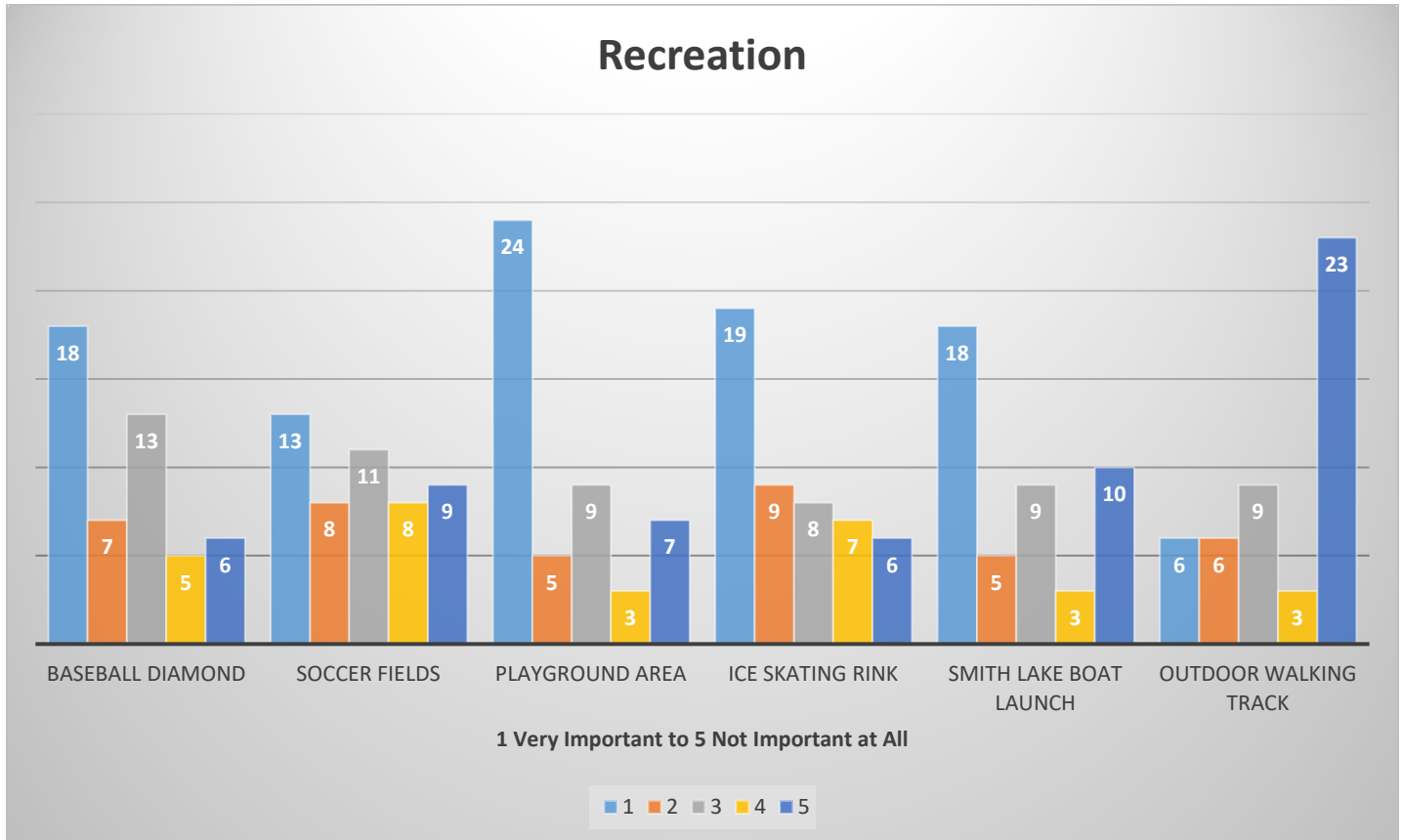


# SURVEY RESULTS

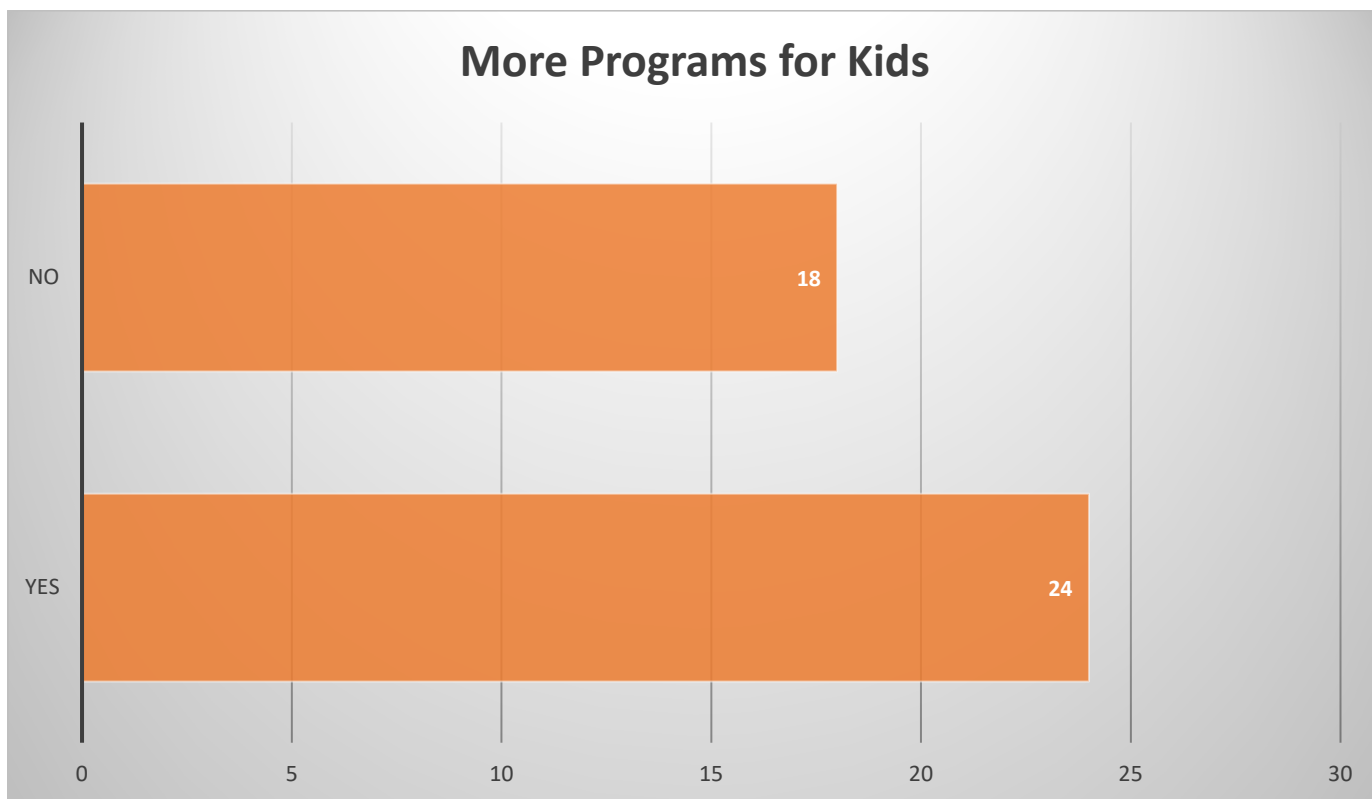
## #1



## Comments

<b>1</b>	Road block walking is 5 miles (6 km)
<b>2</b>	We don't live in Southern Ontario or in a major city. Walking track is right outside your door.
<b>3</b>	d) yes but already have
<b>4</b>	I would strongly recommend a soccer field with an outdoor walking track around the soccer field using crusher dust. It compacts well, great for the elderly & rollator walkers & parents & baby carriages. Where I live, the walking oval can be converted to an ice skating path. A multi-season oval path is a great hit. The hockey rink is mostly used by hockey players and those who want to use it just to skate cannot. An oval skating path would allow all to enjoy skating.
<b>5</b>	We are in our mid 70's & have no children in area.

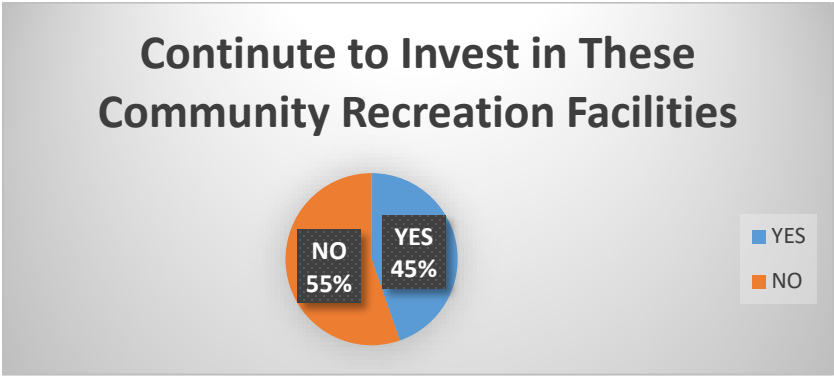
## #2



### Comments

1	Someone to host a summer day camp.
2	I am not sure how many kids there are any more in township. When our kids were young, we volunteered to make the programs happen.
3	It is supply & demand. If there are a lot of kids using it -yes.
4	Maybe if it doesn't cause a tax increase.
5	Martial Arts Classes, Board Game Nights, Environment: Science Workshops, Robotics Club
6	Maybe a hill for sliding in the winter if it doesn't already exist.
7	But lack of volunteers makes this difficult. Perhaps join with surrounding townships to share resources and facilities.
8	What's done now is great especially by fire department.
9	Soccer, baseball, scouts.
10	Soccer, softball, basketball, tennis, volleyball.
11	Baseball.
12	The teenagers need something to do also besides the younger ones. Teen dances, Halloween parties, basketball hoops on ice rink in summer.

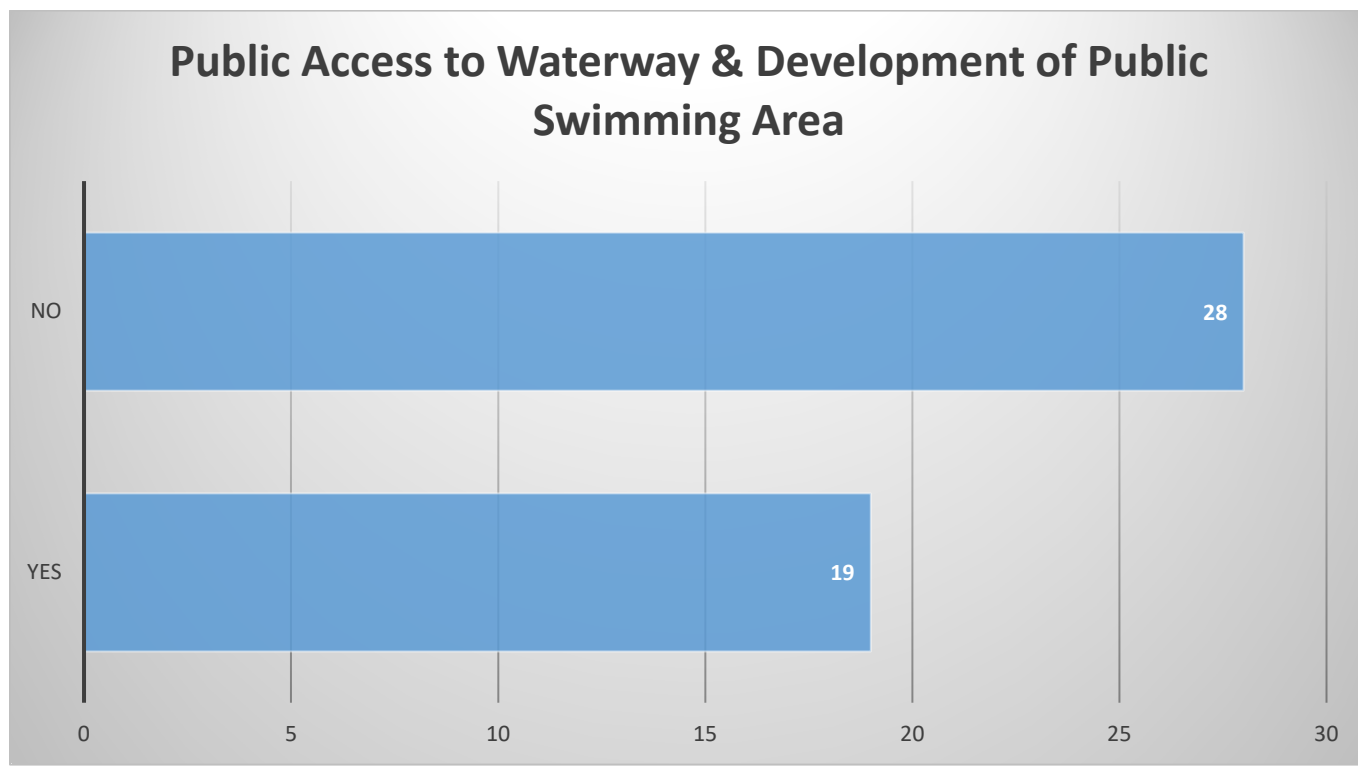
# #3



## Comments

1	It's a shame really but there doesn't seem to be any children playing anymore. With all the tech stuff kids don't play.
2	I'm a senior.
3	Children make a community. Any investment make in the community does pay off.
4	The outdoor rink is an asset for our community spirit. Furthermore, the ball diamond should be used more often during the summer.
5	I say yes but with a cap. I would hope that there are still grants to help offset cost. Do not want taxes to go up drastically.
6	If anything at all, make seating rink floor hard covered (Tennis Court clay) & make it suitable for use during summer basketball hoops at either end etc.
7	What is available is sufficient.
8	It would be nice to have the rink covered but for a community of this size, I don't know if it's warranted.
9	We don't have the tax base of Bonfield or Mattawa. And Bonfield is having money issues. Too much to maintain & not enough pennies.
10	Every rink in area rinks are covered. Can then be used in summer for outdoor activities. Rink needs away more attention.
11	Too costly for small tax base.
12	Calvin needs to use discretion when spending taxpayers dollars. We are small with little commercial tax base.
13	That may raise taxes & they are high enough.
14	Only as we can afford them without a big tax increase.
15	For the size of our township, we have enough recreation facilities. We need to make better use of what we have before we invest in more. The township hires students for the summer maintain our facilities. Maybe one of them should organize some activities ie. soccer, baseball, crafts for smaller kids.
16	Fix & build up on what we have - outdoor covered area. Playground is satisfactory - no more.
17	Pavilion
18	Soccer post have been sitting in field for 3 plus years with no nets! You guys took the cover off the bleachers in the first place. Covering the rink would be the right move but has been promised for years.
19	Not sure why the roofs were taken off the bleachers in the first place. Covering the rink is good idea but I can't count how many times I've heard that but nothing happens. Tear down that useless band shelter at the end of the rink.
20	Get the community involved again. Quit taking away from the community eg: you took the cover off the bleachers, you downsized the hall, you took out the overhead fire suppression system. Covering the rink could have functions under it, no worry of weather.
21	Cover the rink. This would allow more activities for whole year ex. Basketball, tennis, weddings.

## #4

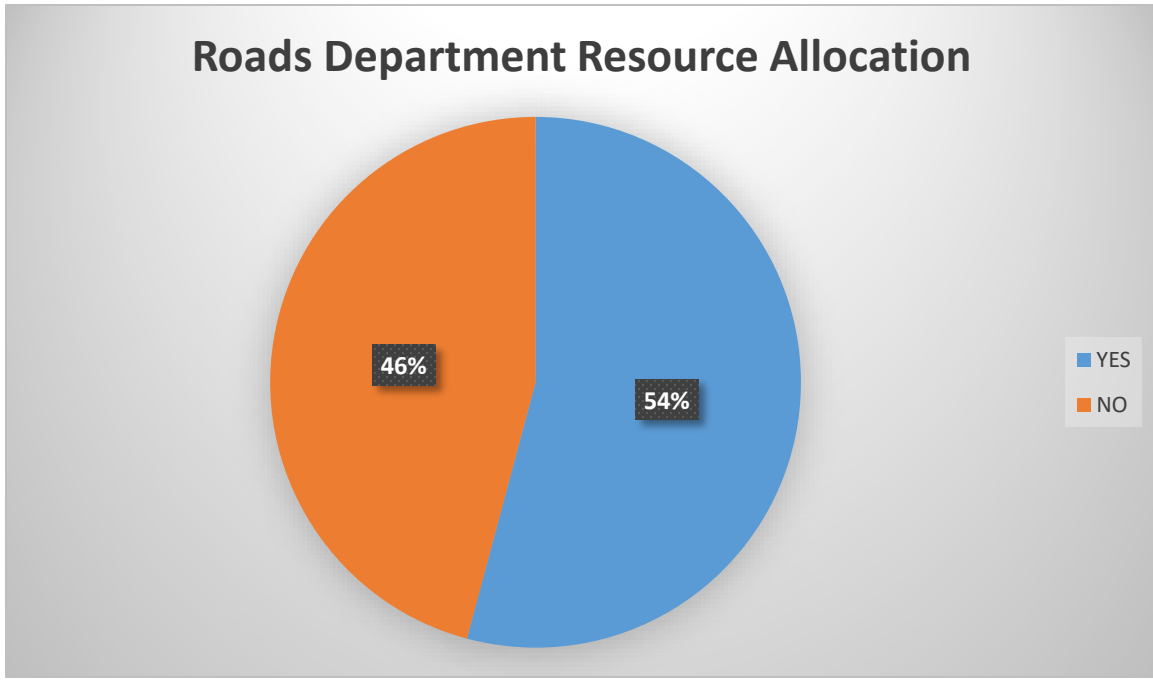


### Comments

1	Now we have no access to a public swimming area. Before everywhere became private prop. We had a few places. Now we need to drive to Mattawa or North Bay. It's crazy when we are surrounded by water.
2	Put some money into putting a small beach area at the Smith Lake boat launch.
3	This would create summer jobs for students ex lifeguard, maintenance ground keeper, swimming lessons.
4	The only thing this would do is give more work to staff for clean-up & monitoring since it is then town's responsibility & liability.
5	There should be a public swimming area.
6	Moore Lake is inexpensive & available.
7	Don't Care. We have plenty of lakes. Park has nice beaches. And I can't swim.
8	No place in twp to swim.
9	Maybe with washroom, no smoking.
10	It's important to have safe access.
11	Please consider neighbouring elderly residents & lack of parking & traffic on one-lane bridge.
12	There is no safe, practical location on Peddlers Dr. (liability needs to be considered).
13	Splash pad down at the Community Centre for the kids. Too much noise.
14	Just let those people who swim at the bridge swim there as long as no litter.
15	Would rather have public access to lower smith lake - french town - twin bridges.
16	I would like to see public access to the strip of land at what was known as the twin bridges return.
17	I am surprised the conservation authority would allow it without vegetation on the bank, it will erode.
18	Put township at risk - money should be spent elsewhere. Get a swimming pool.
19	Crazy idea.
20	Great idea. Calvin needs a public swimming area.

# #5

Roads Department has always been a number one priority in terms of resource allocation. Do you think this should be continued even if it means an increase in taxes?

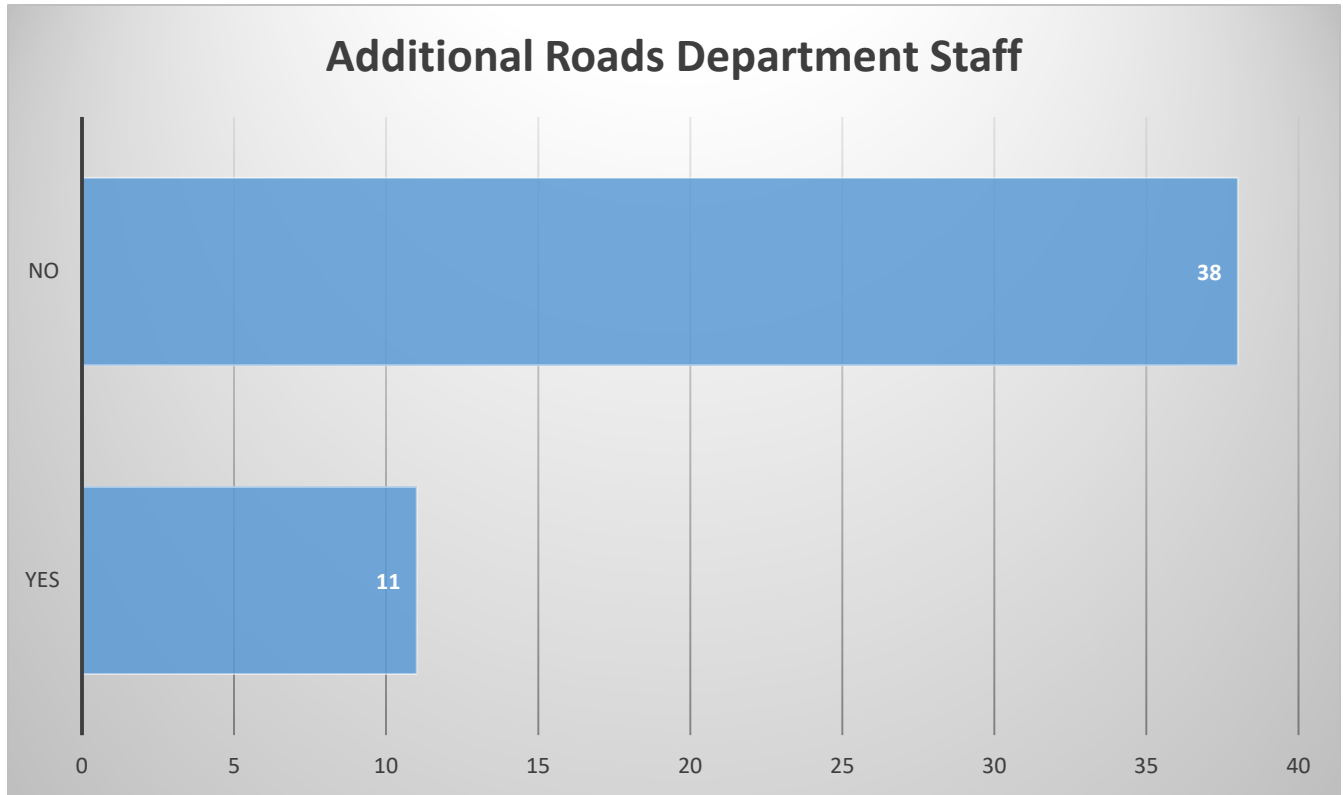


## Comments

1	For school bus pick-ups, concentrate on main roads, Peddlers Dr, Daventry Rd, Boundary Rd with 2 snowplow operators there should be problems to keep the roads maintained with no increase in taxes.
2	Within reason.
3	Loaded Question.
4	The Roads Dept is always the one cut for other expenses.
5	Load of crap. Roads has always been the slash budget lines for pay raises & other department. Loose the \$1100 a month & stop heating dirt (more money for roads).
6	Although as an experienced councillor I <u>know</u> that the roads budget is the first to be cut.
7	If roads are maintained & no careless spending.
8	Yes, roads should be number one priority, do not need to increase taxes more. Last year my taxes went up 2.5%. We do not need taxes to go up more.

# #6

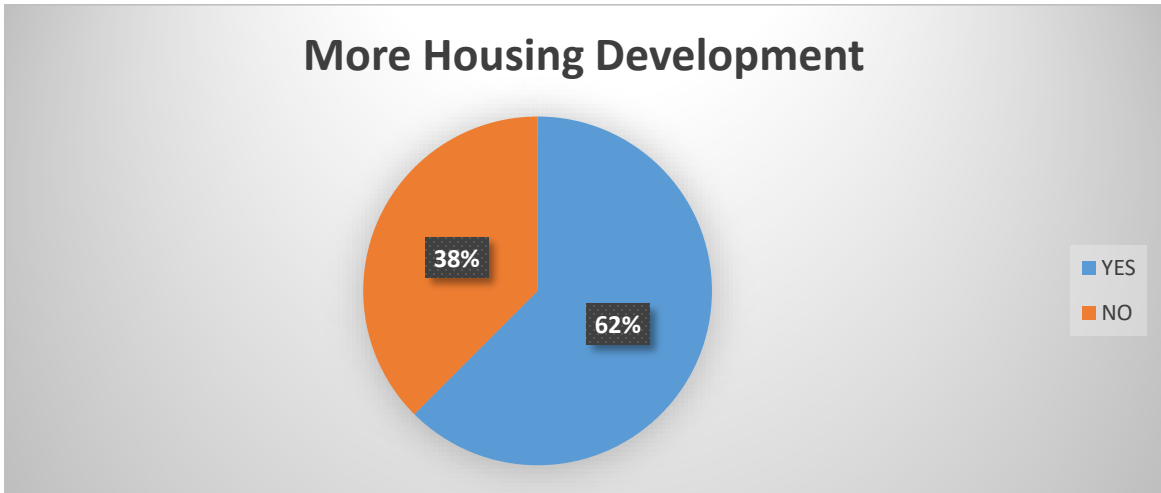
Should we hire additional roads department staff in order to service the roads during nighttime hours during the winter months?



## Comments

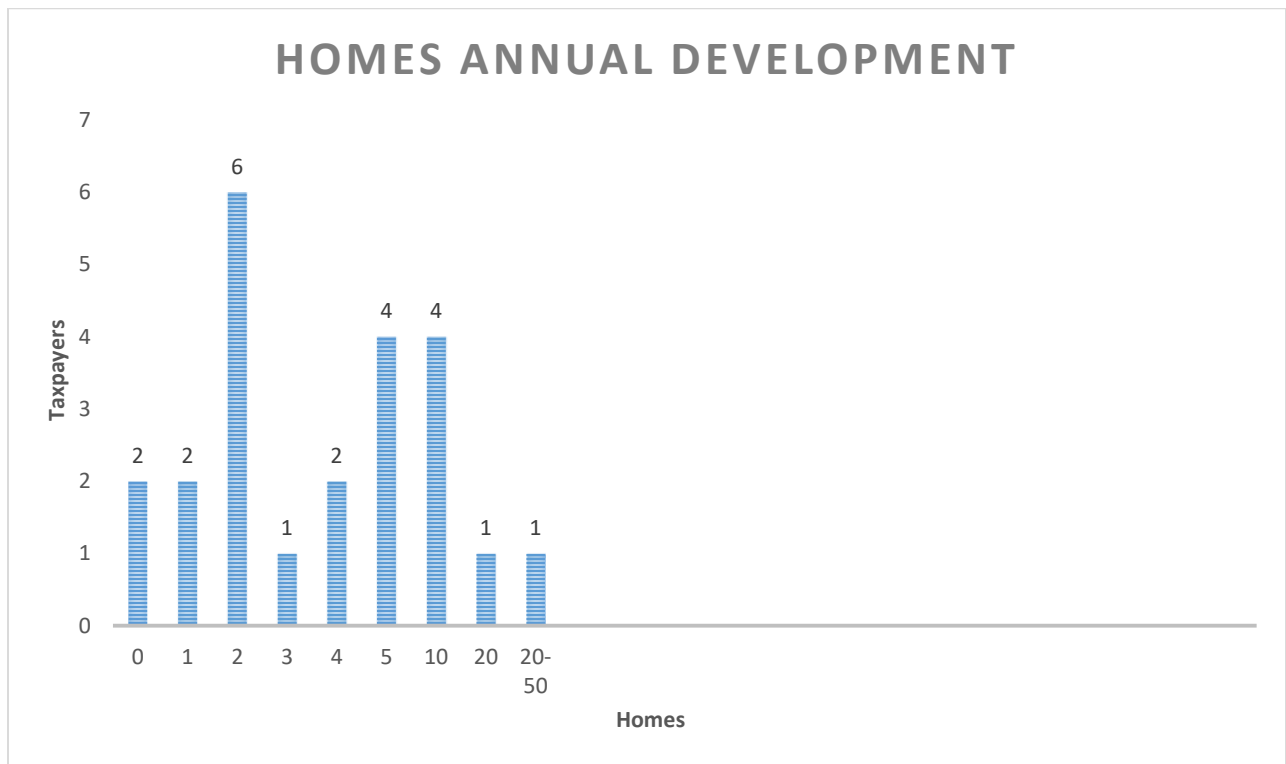
1	Use CTO (Compensatory time off)
2	Change our hourly employees hours to fit the season.
3	Re-organize hours of current staff.
4	Alternate Shifts.
5	Like cities start earlier split shift.
6	The roads are always good. I always make it to work.

# #7

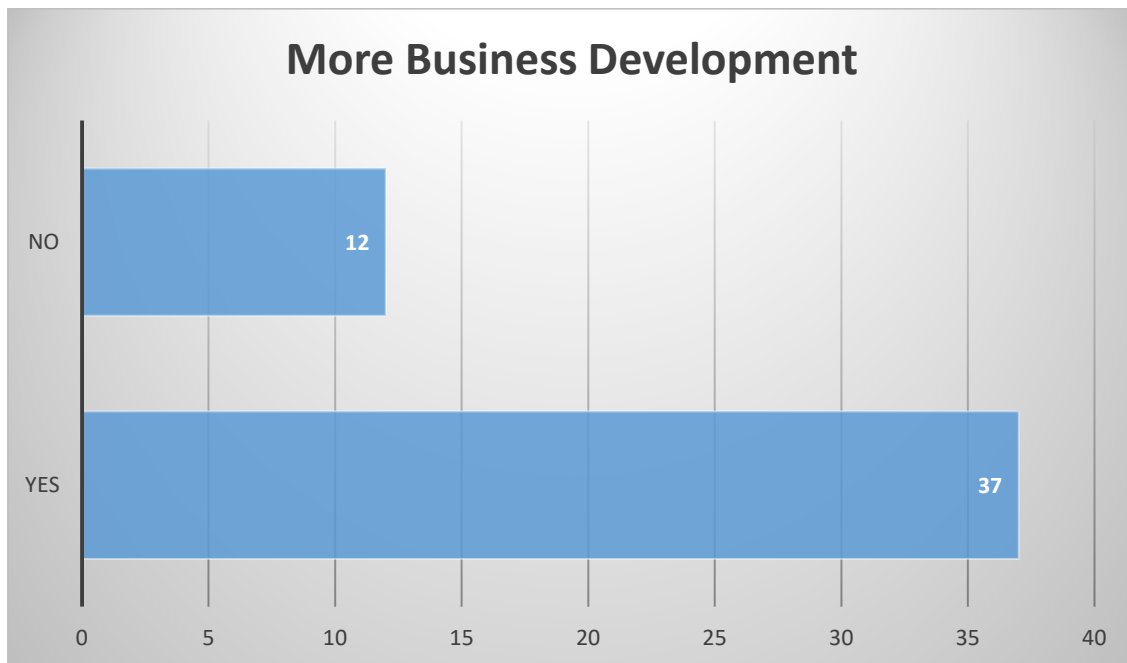


### Comments

1	Homes not housing developments!!!
2	Not an expert.
3	It Impacts water availability for agriculture.
4	I would like to see non-profit organizations take on that role, while consulting the township.
5	As many as possible.
6	Lots.
7	None.
8	None.



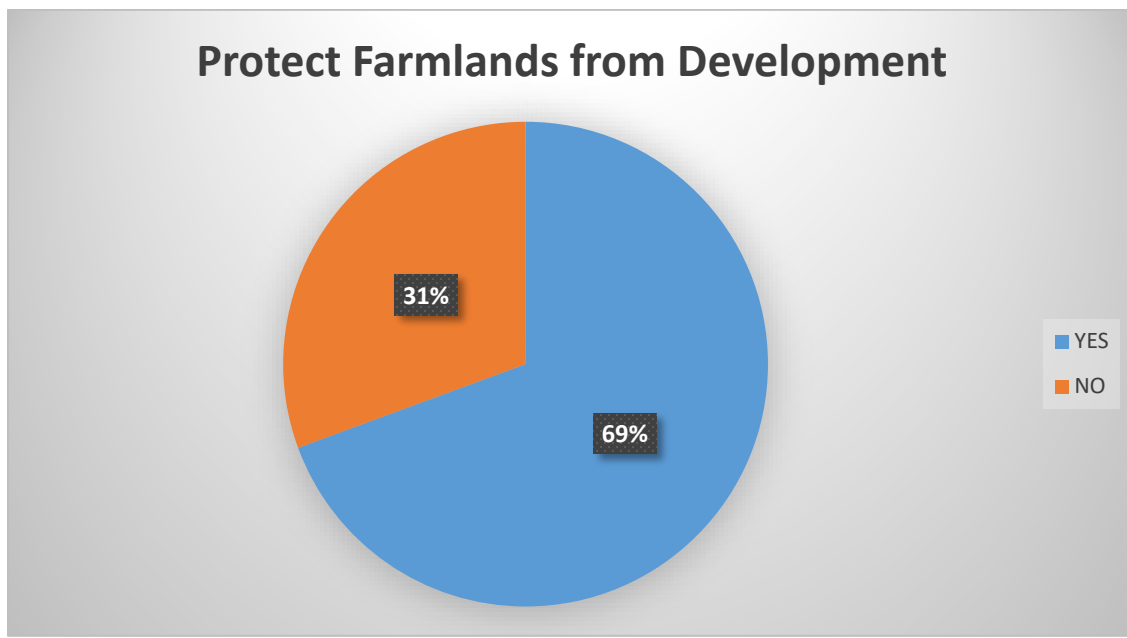
## #8



### Comments

1	But not at taxpayers' expense.
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## #9

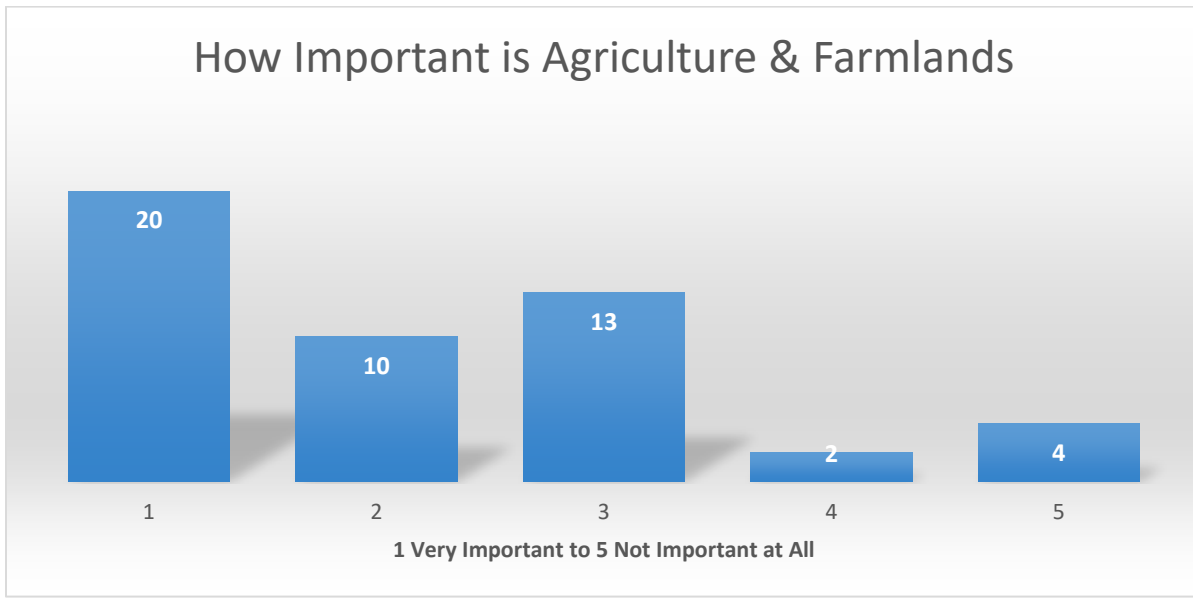


### Comments

1	I would not want that to be a barrier to those who own farmland. They should be free to sell their property if they choose so. The township should not interfere in a private matter.
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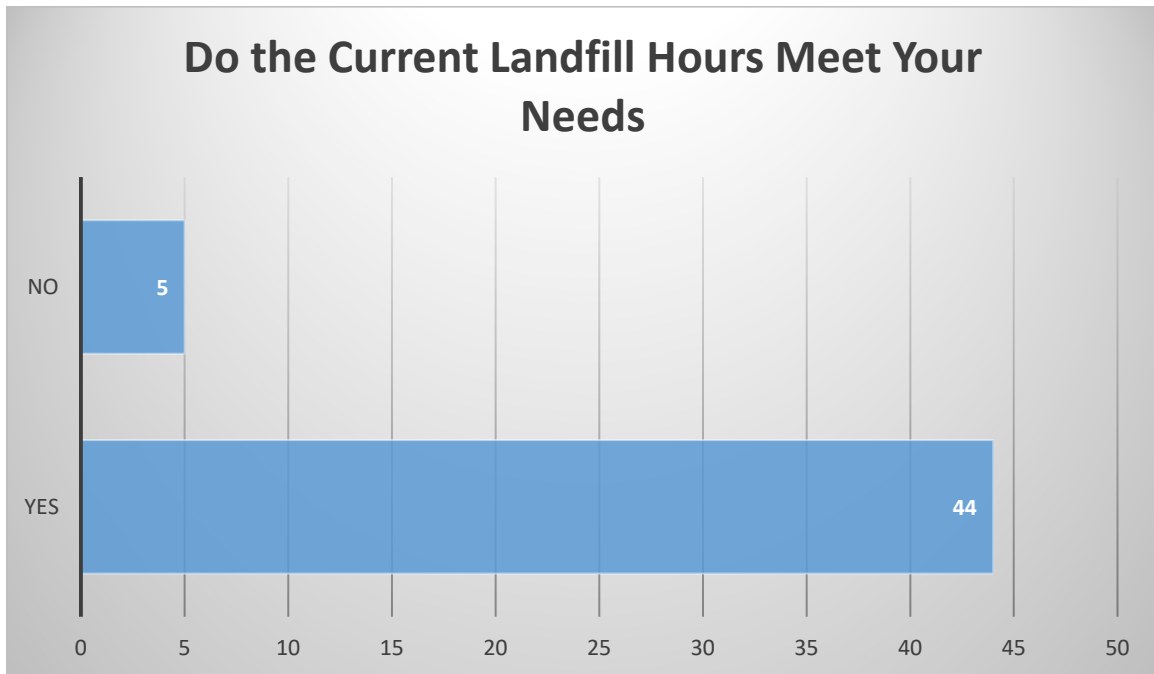
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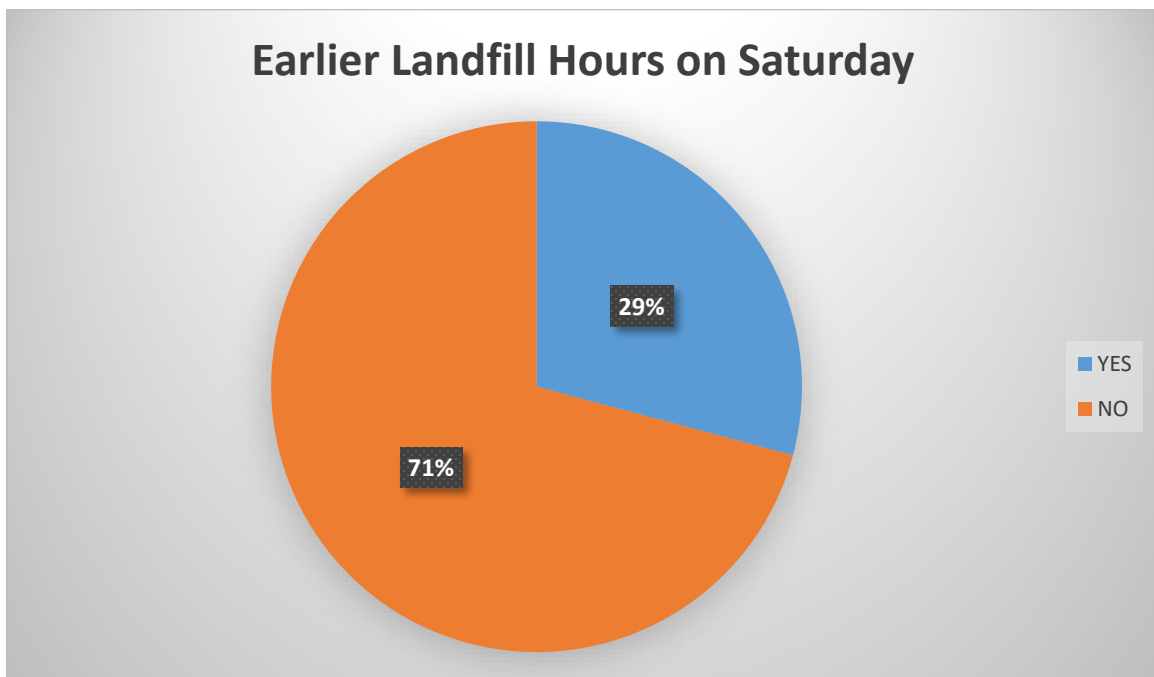
## Comments

1	Born & raised on a farm, it was the best life ever. I would dislike very much to see the fields dotted with houses. Much prefer to see animals & crops.
2	I would give agriculture a higher rating if it were to cut down on the herbicides & pesticides used to produce that crop. Look down south at the polluted water wells from the chemicals that have been used to produce the different crops.
3	This is not a farming area.
4	There are very few farmers in this area. They are less & less every year. We need the farmers. Groceries are sky-rocketing. We need farmers markets, not just for us but very important for the people in the city. The children need to know where their food comes from & they need to get inspired to farm.
5	This is a farming community and well known for agriculture. Develop a retirement housing complex. That would be a good place to start.
6	Farms have been a part of Calvin for a long time.
7	It is important to have green land in a community but too many non-working farmland is a waste of tax collecting opportunity.
8	We are farmers.
9	Far too much farmland is being destroyed for housing development. Saw this in Southern ON as beautiful farmland is now all houses. Keep the north beautiful!!
10	Small farms seems to be thing of past. Would be nice to see high green houses.
11	People will dependent on local farms again as global changes happen more local food supply less development.
12	With more houses & less waste we can all enjoy lower taxes
13	It is important for farms to grow crops to feed livestock and I do buy cow meat from my uncle.
14	A few small seniors town home developments (as in East Ferris on Hwy 94) would be a good idea.
15	Good farmland should be protected. Poor farms could be developed to expand tax base.
16	This is not farmland. Plant trees to help global warming.
17	I compliment farmers.
18	All lots in Calvin that have farmland also have areas that is not suitable for farming. Protection of farmland should not hinder the development of these non-agriculture areas.
19	I am not a farmer. What can grow here besides low quality hay?

## #11



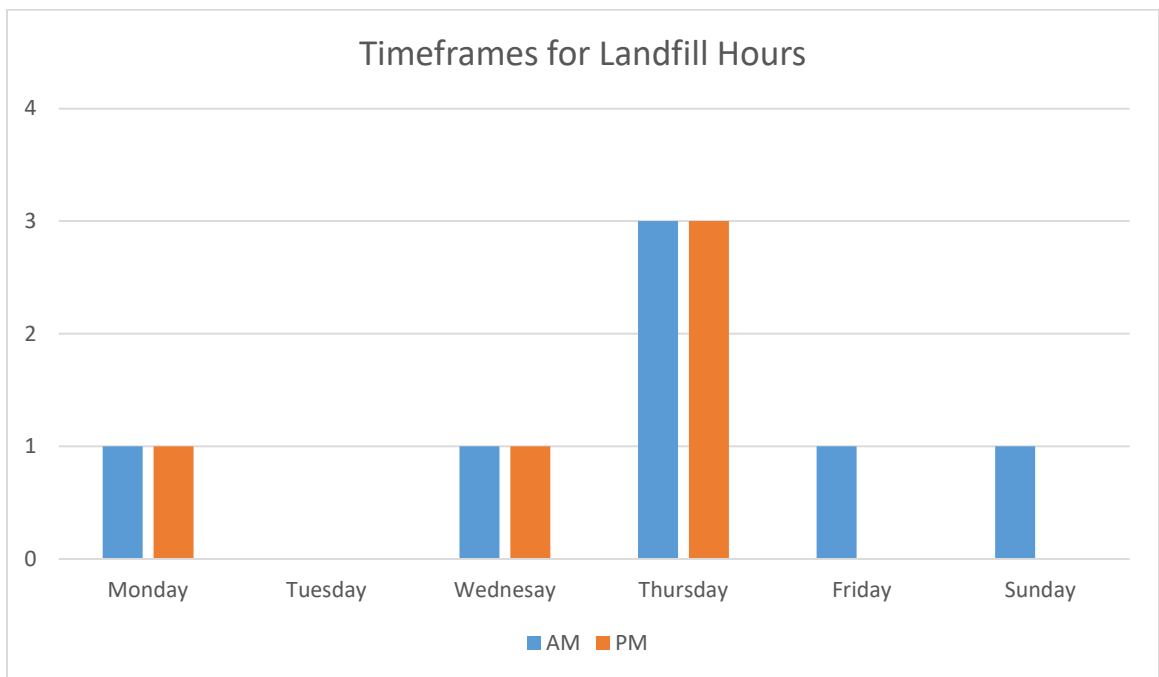
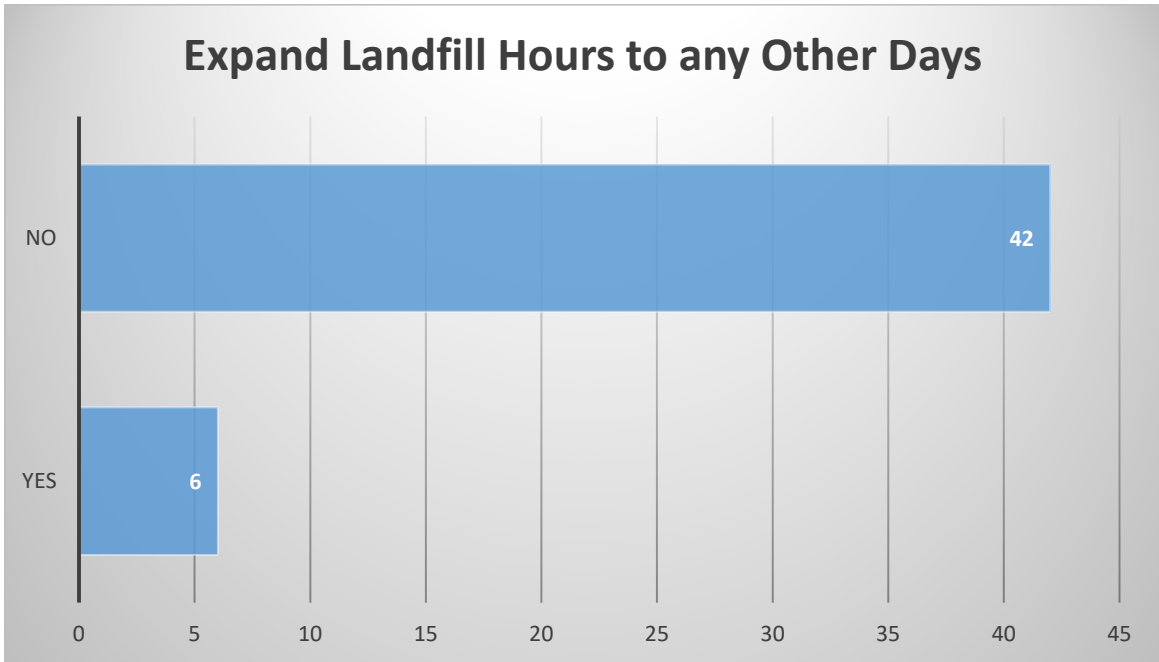
## #12



### Comments

1	If the times change we would have no choice.
2	Summer.

# #13

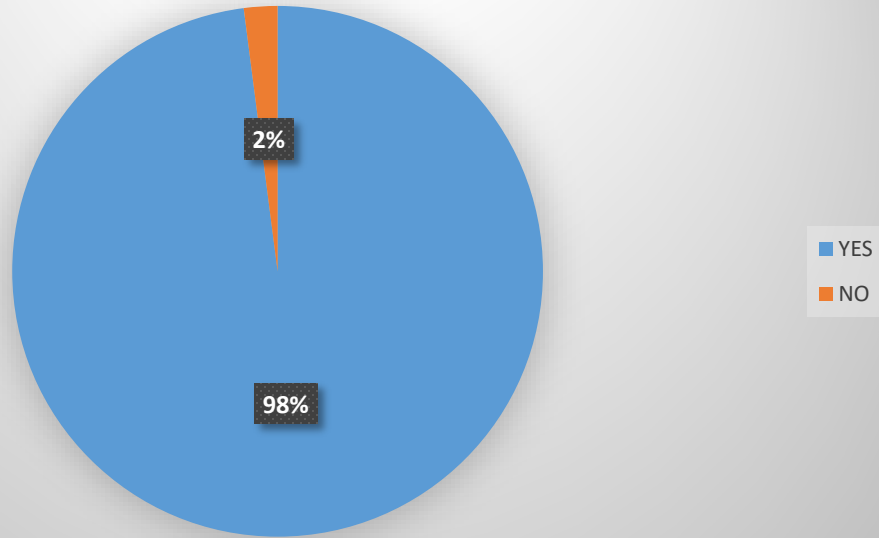


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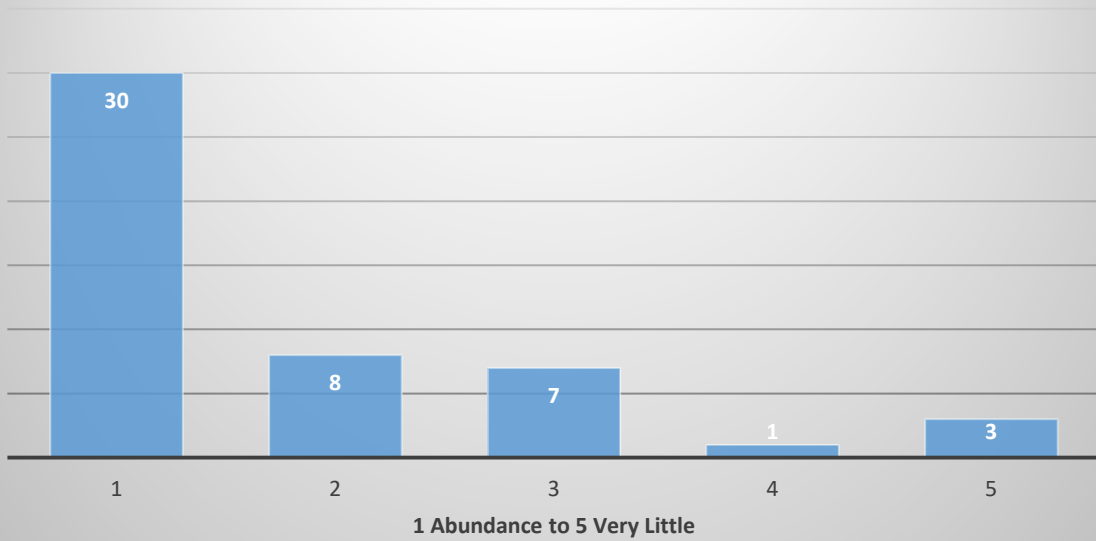
1	Prefer garbage pick-up hire locals or contractor.
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# #14

## Recycle



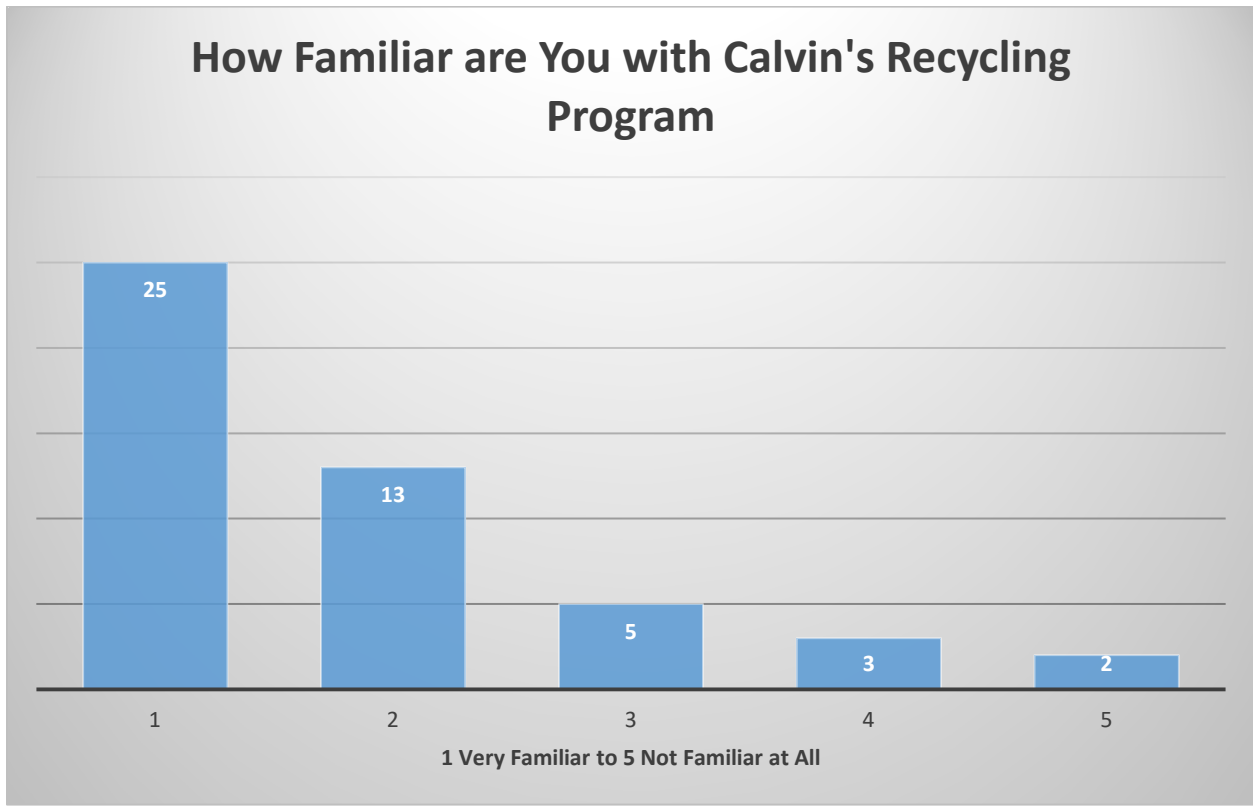
## How much do you Recycle



## Comments

1	Very Important: We need to recycle glass.
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## #15



### Comments

1	Unfortunately there are many recyclable products the township does not recycle. There are so many recyclable products that end up in the landfill site because Calvin does not recycle many recyclable symbols. Calvin does a very poor job of recycling. This does not seem a priority of the township I would like to see an improvement.
2	Staff do a great job of explaining it. Thanks!

# #16

## What do you value the most in our community?

1	I walk a lot so I love the fact that I can walk without fear of getting ran over; attack by dogs; people stop & talk. Calvin is just a friendly place.
2	<b>Natural</b> wilderness beauty.
3	<b>The</b> quietness.
4	<b>Surveys</b> like this one, we all need to put input into our community. We care about the way we live & our neighbours.
5	<b>Great</b> access throughout the community. Friendly neighbours.
6	<b>The</b> people.
7	How pristine it is. The overall sense of community. Fresh air & beautiful waterways. I feel safe enough that I don't have to lock my door.
8	Reasonable taxes (for as long as that will last).
9	Amity.
10	Active Fire Department.
11	Air & Water.
12	Low taxes & not too many neighbours.
13	Quiet, friendly.
14	Calm, Space.
15	Quietness, out of city, Roads Community Centre Area.
16	Calm, Space.
17	The quiet, bush and most of all made welcome & everyone we have met is so friendly.
18	The people!!! The freedom to do what we want on our land. Lower taxes.
19	Peace & quiet.
20	Peace & quiet.
21	Our great Roads, Fire Dept, excellent landfill & recycling
22	Good roads & Community Centre.
23	Beautiful area.
24	Country Living.
25	Farming & industry.
26	Our seniors The legends that have always been here.
27	The environment.
28	Tax rate.
29	Space, rural area, public access to Community Centre
30	Low population, low traffic.
31	A sparsely populated rural environment.
32	Quiet, nature, not much traffic on roads, hunting, reasonable property taxes but we seem to be losing that.
33	Low taxes.
34	Country lifestyle.
35	Privacy.
36	Ice Rink, baseball field, gorge.
37	Outdoor rink, baseball field.
38	Ice Skating rink, it's the only thing we use for our tax dollar. I feel very safe in Calvin.
39	The lake, green space. Sad to see the trees hacked. The parks.
40	Parks

## #17

### What do you believe to be Calvin's greatest asset(s)?

1	Oh by far the gorge. I love to walk there: just wish that there was a fence at the top. Our roads department: Those guys are out all hours & days. Never worry if it's safe to drive.
2	Isolation.
3	The gorge. Great retirement community.
4	The care about our community, close to Algonquin Park, Visitors to Eau Claire Gorge.
5	The peace & quiet of country living. Eau Claire Conservation Area, Champlain Park, Ecology Centre, Algonquin Park & Outfitters, Maxwell Pottery.
6	We have many great assets.
7	Roads & Fire Departments.
8	Tax Payers.
9	Hwy 630 into the park.
10	Road Maintenance. Rural living.
11	Peaceful not overly developed.
12	Inexpensive land & reasonable roads.
13	Low taxes not too many neighbours.
14	Nature.
15	Country Life.
16	Roads, farmland, people
17	Country Life.
18	Its small town feel & the people.
19	Clean water, Landscape, Central Location eg (Mattawa, North Bay).
20	Peace & quiet.
21	Visiting the Township office! Great staff.
22	Reasonable Tax Rate.
23	Natural Beauty (waterways & connecting links to hiking & ATV Trails).
24	Nature/waterways.
25	Waterways.
26	Farming Forestry
27	A Community that comes together when people need help.
28	Its friendly people.
29	Land with animals & trees, not a city.
30	The geography, not over populated.
31	It's original inhabitants.
32	Same as question 16 - Quiet, nature, not much traffic on roads, hunting, reasonable property taxes but we seem to be losing that.
33	Community Centre.
34	Staff - low taxes.
35	Hall.
36	Definitely not the employees.
37	Having TransCanada pipelines run through it.
38	Eau Claire Gorge.
39	Trees, Fire Department.

## #18

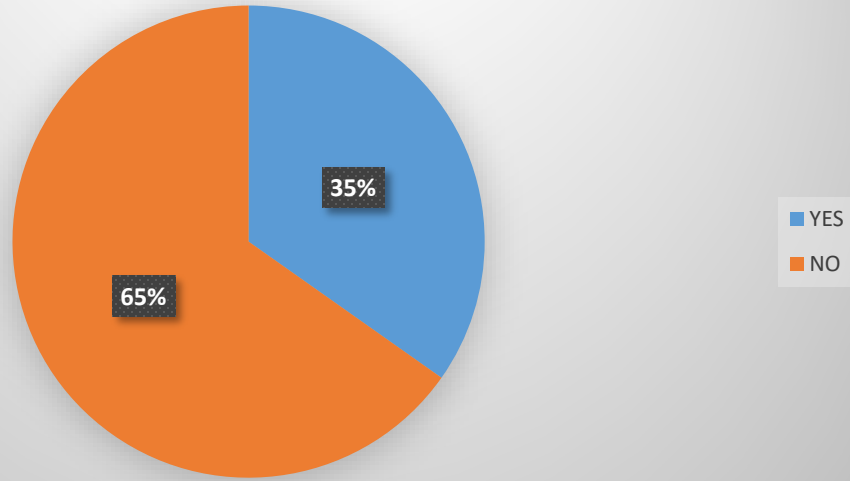
### What might be some improvements the Municipality should consider? What do you think Council should concentrate on over the next 10 years?

1	I am 4th generation to live in Calvin & I pretty much live in the middle. Our township members are aging. There needs to be more help for the elders.
2	Each & every council member get out & visit taxpayers. Really think of the way the council has been running the township.
3	New senior housing.
4	We need a para-bus, there are more elderly that will not be able to drive in the future. Somehow monitor the people who dump pop cans & garbage on the roadside. Clear trees from power lines - less outages.
5	Listen to what the residents of Calvin Want.
6	Reasonably priced unlimited internet/data. Some seniors programs - There seem to be more seniors then youth.
7	Page 1 - 2.
8	With only 575 residents, it will be virtually impossible to take on any projects. We are <u>NOT</u> big city & should have that mentality either.
9	Leave that up to the Councillors.
10	Welcome "Home" extended members of local families. These are the people that appreciate Calvin! Not being given a problem when they want to build would be a good start.
11	Improving roads & increasing road surfaces (additional kilometers)
12	Not spending money your taxpayers don't have. Maybe some job reviews & less raises. Same - Road, Buildings, Grass & Services - Double the employees??
13	Maintain & plow Stewart's road. Reduce employees.
14	Hiking Trails.
15	Keep taxes low - minimal increases, keep status quo.
16	Bring in an efficiency expert to see if employees are worth having around.
17	Hiking Trails.
18	Not sure as we have been here less than a year but really like what we have seen so far. Keeping taxes low is important but realize some tax increases are necessary.
19	We don't get enough government money. New upgrade to road. Paving not whole on the roads now. Get the hall back to where it used to be. Rentals to offset cost of recreation.
20	Agricultural opportunities, supporting eco-tourism
21	Reduce spending. Maintain roads, landfill & firefighting equipment. Spend only the money required to maintain what we need.
22	An improved recycling program as stated above.
23	Keep fire dept & roads dept equipment current. Continue to keep roads in good condition. Occasional garbage pick-up? Probably too costly.
24	I think Calvin has a lot to show for its size and tax base. Just maintain what we have.
25	Bringing business to Calvin. Keep roads up to standards.
26	1) Public Beach on Smith Lake not Peddlers Dr. 2) Better control over barking & roaming free dogs.
27	Roads, Fire Safety, Playgrounds.
28	Housing.
29	Stay green. Ban styro foam.
30	We pay over \$5,000 a year in taxes and get basically nothing other than access to the dump! We live off Shields Point Road and don't even get roads maintained! Robbery!
31	Conservation of roads & farmlands.
32	Discourage outside investment & deter immigration from urban areas.
33	Slow building expansion, I don't want Calvin to become a suburb of Toronto.

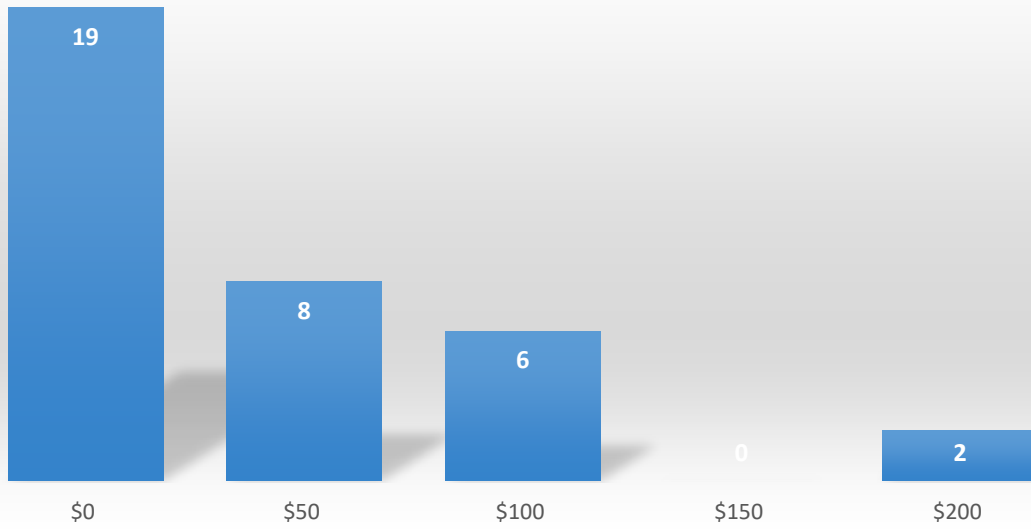


34	More should be done for seniors in Calvin.
35	Seniors Homes.
36	Seniors programs & housing.
37	Keep taxes low.
38	Unorganized township. Save tax dollars. High speed internet. Natural gas.
39	Lowering taxes, figuring out what each employee really does and if their position is really necessary.
40	Amalgamation with Papineau Township this way, 1 Clerk, 1 Fire Chief, 1 Road Superintendent. Still have two firehalls like Bonfield. This way we save on tax dollars. Bringing in new business, a convenience store back again.
41	Cost cutting (Calvin/Papineau). Amalgamation of townships. This would reduce duplicate wages (Clerk, Fire Chief, Roads,...). Less equipment would be required, grader/backhoe...

## Pay More Taxes for New or Improved Services



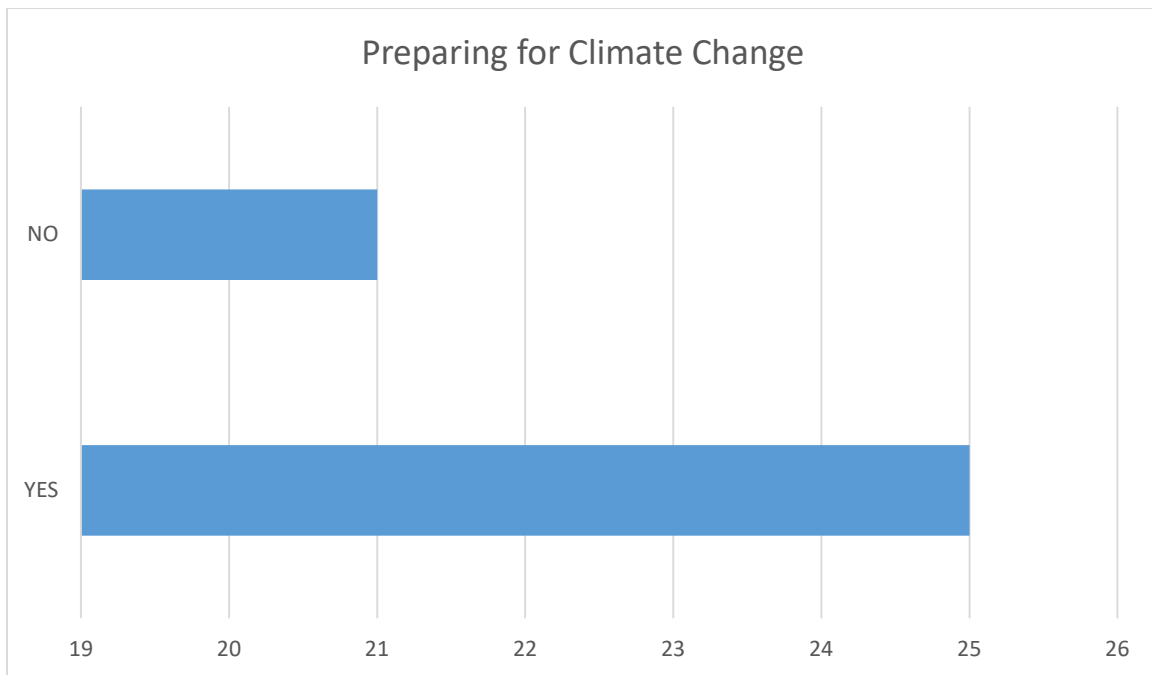
## Willing to Pay in Tax Increase



### Comments

1	We have sufficient services for this area.
2	Within reason. Our taxes are very high owning 2 businesses. The increase would be a percentage thus affecting us more than others.
3	Reasonable \$75 to \$100.
4	If spent correctly.
5	Only for garbage pick-up truck & bulldozer for dump.
6	Decent wifi would be nice.
7	Depends on what it is. I would for natural gas/high speed internet.

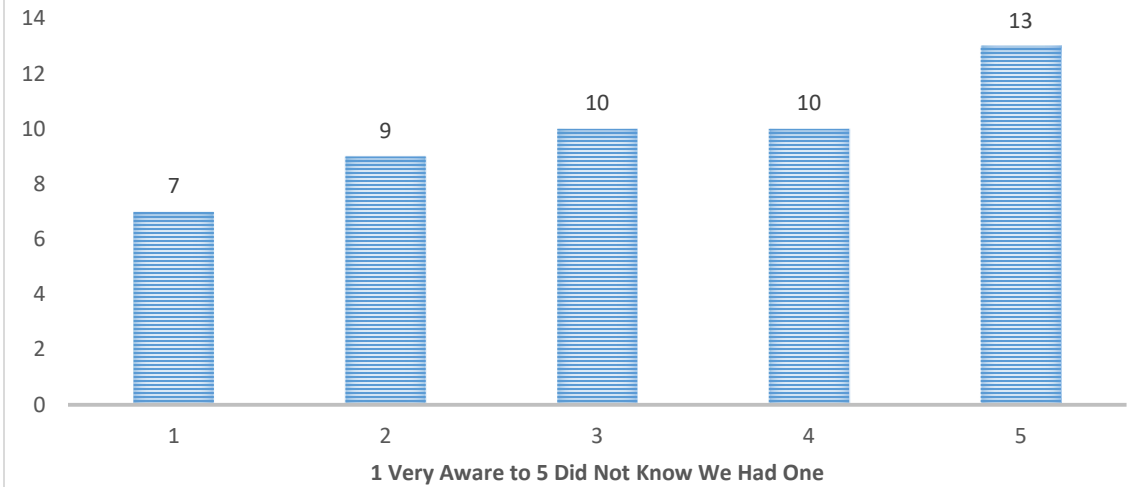
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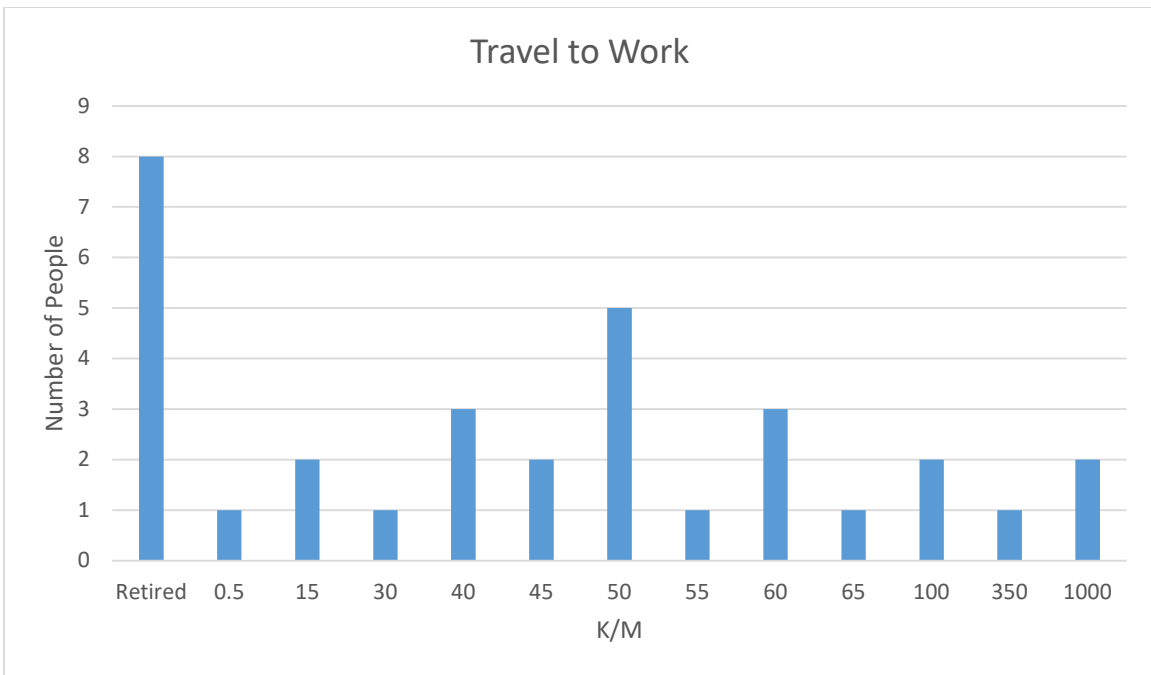
### Comments

1	Recycling is a big thing & it drives me crazy when I walk & see bottles & cans in the ditch. We should have 1 day a year & everyone plant a tree - Arber Days used to be a thing.
2	Too Late.
3	The running of vehicles if they are not moving. Growing our own food instead of buying food in packages. Follow the recycle better for waste.
4	Keep Calvin green-forested.
5	Calvin as a rural small community, will most likely not be affected by climate change.
6	Possibly extracting methane from the landfill.
7	The only thing we need to do is support forests & farms & plot river beds if they get bigger.
8	Protect forest & farm. Increase minimum building cot size.
9	Landfill recycling is about all we need. We should be suggesting tiny homes & off grid homes.
10	Keep recycling & expand if possible, depending on cost.
11	Help make government incentives more known for better insulation, windows, etc. to reduce greenhouse gases from old woodstoves, etc.
12	Protect the environment less deforestation, less fossil fuel use - use solar panels or renewables, less road resurfacing.
13	We should consult other communities who have already implemented a Climate Change Strategy. We should also consult provincial and federal programs & recommendations that already exist. We should create a committee at Calvin to research in depth to determine what the provincial & federal governments are doing.
14	Plant trees on old farmland.
15	Top Priority.
16	Be prepared for heavy rain that may wash out parts of roads.
17	Protect our agriculture & forests & waterways.
18	I don't know. Does anyone know? We are doomed as a race.
19	We shouldn't.
20	Start by getting more people to even use the dump and recycle.

## AWARENESS OF EMERGENCY PREPARDNESS PLAN



### #22



### Comments

<b>1</b>	Work within community.
<b>2</b>	Unemployed
<b>3</b>	350 km all over Ontario.

### #23

**Please suggest one thing you believe the Municipality could do that would significantly impact our community in a positive way.**

1	Once there was so much going on in Calvin. We has our summer picnic, our fall fair, poker runs, dances. I was so impressed with the turnout at the hall when one of our residents needed support. It was so nice to see everyone & think that is what is missing - spirit. We had it once.
2	Do away with the favoritism that our council & proves has when it comes to the hiring of road maintenance staff & contracting out. Not one of our previous or current members of Council has ever asked to see what my thoughts are - I consider a damn disgrace.
3	Do not pave the road. Taxes go up & repair to pavement too costly. Just look at Bonfield's paved road - disgusting. Too many heavy trucks on pavement, especially in Calvin.
4	Someone to open up a corner store small business.
5	With the aging public, we should have seniors programs. Seniors like to be social. They need human contact not just "virtual" contact. Mattawa has an exercise program (funded by province) for seniors. We would benefit from this. Even a coffee program in the morning.
6	All 3 Pages.
7	Keep taxes low, that will be attractive to the baby boom generation & they will settle here once the municipality starts advertising this.
8	Possibly enforce the clean-up of trashy properties. It may be more attractive to tourism.
9	High Speed Internet!!
10	Roads.
11	Upgrade & plow Stewart's road. Our neighbouring township upgrades 1 km a year.
12	Keep Taxes Low.
13	Efficiency Expert.
14	We have a cottage off of Shield's Point Road on Lake Talon with Bonfield Twp on one side of the road and Calvin on the other side. If anything due to our location, our taxes should be reduced. With our location, we get 0 services. We don't even make use of the dump as it is too far away.
15	It may not happen too often but something like a Welcome Package for new residents. Stuff like nearby stores, business like Mobile Welds, firewood, gravel & sand, home handyman, auto service. From a new person living in the area, I have relied on my neighbour & owners of Gagnes for info on this. Having a list of things like this is important for new people that locals just take for granted. But again thanks for the openness of the locals, I have been able to get most of this information.
16	Change of some staff. Would seem twps has more staff same roads why?? Calvin has always had great!! Roads. More staff worse roads!! Don't see anything about getting government monies. For summer help, employ our summer kids. A more accepting township office. They serve the people. Have a meeting under control to ask public what's wrong. Explain to public what your staff actually do. Way too much freedom. Township people have eyes. Careless spending. Make survey public. Thanks.
17	Less road resurfacing in the summer. It stinks and is dusty and the road is the same or worse when it's completed.
18	Lower taxes for Calvin properties that receive no services.
19	Health & fitness guest speakers who would discuss such topics as aging and disease, diabetes, exercise, special programs such as lifeline, meals on wheels, information on provincial & federal programs for seniors, safety at home, fraud prevention....etc.
20	Keep pressing for broad band.
21	Tourism & accommodations to bring people in.
22	Value other people's opinion. Understanding the newsletter in plain English so that we all can benefit from it. Ie: Lot# & Concession# should be changed to actual address# & name of road.
23	Keep roads cleared in winter, graded - dust control in summer. Keep roadside ditched and brushed on both sides of roads.
24	Keep records of our history that past people have worked on & keep records for the future generations. Always hire a summer student. They are our future.
25	We need road maintenance & plowing services to the end of McLaren Drive!

26	Keep property taxes increases under control. I found it interesting that there were no questions about the cemetery or the fire department which I think are important services in Calvin. What was done in the past served Calvin well. I don't think much needs to be changed.
27	A local store.
28	Throughout my years here I've seen great involvement from the people of Calvin in the community. It has significantly gone down. Picnics, dances, fairs had everyone out. Now, very little people attend. The employees & Council need to all get along & make Calvin fun again. (Tension is felt).
29	Township amalgamation.

## Comments

1	In order to maintain an amicable work & recreational facilities efficient & not forget safe for children & adults, the elected council members could step up to the plate more often. Our taxes are paying for you to sit in those chairs. ex: Mayor could spend more time sweeping & watering the rink. More appearances at functions is required. Remember you were voted in. Other council members could also step up to the plate. Our tax money pays for you to be on Council. Council member Sandy Cross does more than all of you. It is time to Step Up. Tax Payer.com
2	Tax Payer & constant user of other townships children should always have good clean amusement.
3	This doesn't apply to me. Not sure why my taxes have increased so much while my services (none) have not changed. Still none.
4	Please send info on emergency preparedness for Calvin.