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Southwest Middlesex Council Approves 2025 Budget, Investing in Infrastructure and Community Services

GLENCOE, ON – At a special budget meeting on March 20, 2025, Council approved the 2025 budget, balancing key infrastructure investments with fiscal responsibility. The budget approved a net 4.32% tax increase, translating to an additional \$5.72 per month for every \$100,000 in residential property value. For example, a home assessed at \$300,000 will see an increase of \$17.15 per month in taxes.

"This budget balances fiscal responsibility with key infrastructure investments," said Mayor Allan Mayhew. "Focusing on water and stormwater improvements, we're strengthening services while ensuring efficient use of taxpayer dollars to support long-term community growth and sustainability."

The budget includes \$3.8 million in essential capital investments across the municipality. This funding will support major sanitary and stormwater upgrades, providing improved service levels. The Glencoe Pool will receive \$240,000 for pump and filter replacements to maintain uninterrupted service. Recreational spaces will also see improvements, with new LED lighting installed at the Glencoe Ball Diamond and the completion of Simpson Park's revitalization, including a new gravel parking lot and accessible washroom deck. Additional funding has been allocated for critical infrastructure, including repairs to the Glencoe salt and sand storage shed and the closure of the Limerick Landfill in compliance with environmental regulations.

The final budget document will be approved by by-law at the April 9, 2025 Council meeting.

The full budget discussion can be viewed on Southwest Middlesex's YouTube channel at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC6oo98BZcAvuVMKLDx88I4A.

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