

CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LAURENTIAN HILLS  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday 19 December, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** - The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills was held on Tuesday 19 December, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

The following members of Council were present:

Mayor	John Reinwald
Deputy Mayor	Anne Giardini
Councillor	Bruce Boucher
Councillor	Brenda Blimkie
Councillor	John Hoyle

Also present:

Treasurer/Deputy Clerk	Tammy Forbes
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Absent:

Chief Administrative Officer / Clerk	Sherry Batten
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- II. **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

- III. **DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

- IV. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Giardini  
Seconded by Councillor Hoyle

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of 22 November, 2017 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED** Resolution 262-17

- V. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- (a) Moved by Councillor Hoyle  
Seconded by Councillor Boucher

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole for Protection to Persons and Property of 5 December 2017 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED** Resolution 263 -17

- (b) Moved by Deputy Mayor Giardini  
Seconded by Councillor Hoyle

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole for Planning of 5 December 2017 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED** Resolution 264 -17

- (c) Moved by Councillor Boucher  
Seconded by Councillor Blimkie

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole for Public Works of 5 December 2017 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED** Resolution 265 -17

- (d) Moved by Councillor Hoyle  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Giardini

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole for Community and Social Services of 5 December 2017 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED** Resolution 266 -17

- (e) Moved by Deputy Mayor Giardini  
Seconded by Councillor Hoyle

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole for Finance and Personnel of 5 December 2017 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED** Resolution 267 -17

- VI. **BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF PREVIOUS MINUTES** - None

**VII. OTHER REPORTS**

Moved by Councillor Blimkie  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Giardini

THAT this Council does acknowledge receipt of the Chalk River Composite Elevated Tank Remote Inspection report from Landmark Municipal Services dated August 29, 2017.

**CARRIED** Resolution 268 -17

Moved by Councillor Blimkie  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Giardini

THAT this Council does acknowledge receipt of the third quarter operations report on the Chalk River Drinking Water System from American Water Canada dated September 2017.

**CARRIED** Resolution 269 -17

Moved by Councillor Blimkie  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Giardini

THAT this Council does acknowledge receipt of the third quarter operations report on the Chalk River Drinking Water System from American Water Canada dated September 2017.

**CARRIED** Resolution 270 -17

**VIII. MAYOR'S UPDATE** – The Mayor reported that on December 6 he attended an Airport PAAC executive meeting; on the 7 he attended an RCDHU Resource committee meeting and a special Airport Commission meeting; on the 12 he attended County Council and on the 13 he attended a RCDHU Resource Committee meeting.

**IX. BY-LAWS**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Giardini  
Seconded by Councillor Blimkie

THAT By-Law No. 01-18 being a By-Law to provide for the borrowing of money to meet the 2018 expenditures for the Town do now be read a first and second time (short).

**CARRIED** Resolution 271 -17

Moved by Deputy Mayor Giardini  
Seconded by Councillor Blimkie

THAT By-Law No.01 -18 be approved as read a first and second time (short) and do now be read a third time and passed.

**CARRIED** Resolution 272 -17

Moved by Deputy Mayor Giardini  
Seconded by Councillor Blimkie

THAT By-Law No. 02-18 being a By-Law to provide for an interim tax levy do now be read a first and second time (short).

**CARRIED** Resolution 273 -17

Moved by Deputy Mayor Giardini  
Seconded by Councillor Blimkie

THAT By-Law No. 02-18 be approved as read a first and second time (short) and do now be read a third time and passed.

**CARRIED** Resolution 274 -17

Moved by Deputy Mayor Giardini  
Seconded by Councillor Blimkie

THAT By-Law No. 03-18 being a By-Law to appoint members of Council to the Committee of Adjustment do now be read a first and second time (short).

**CARRIED** Resolution 275 -17

Moved by Deputy Mayor Giardini  
Seconded by Councillor Blimkie

THAT By-Law No.03 -18 be approved as read a first and second time (short) and do now be read a third time and passed.

**CARRIED** Resolution 276 -17

**X. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS**

- (a) Moved by Deputy Mayor Giardini  
Seconded by Councillor Blimkie

THAT the General Accounts for the period of 17 November to 11 December, 2017 be approved in the amount of \$1,076,704.49.

**CARRIED** Resolution 277 -17

- (b) Moved by Deputy Mayor Giardini  
Seconded by Councillor Blimkie

THAT this Council does acknowledge receipt of the unaudited statement of revenues and expenses as compared to budget as of 12 December 2017.

**CARRIED** Resolution 278-17

**XI. PETITIONS - None**

**XII. CORRESPONDENCE**

**ACTION ITEMS**

- (a) Moved by Councillor Boucher  
Seconded by Councillor Blimkie

**Whereas** the Town of Laurentian Hills through the Association of Municipalities of Ontario Local Share Proposal will receive \$505,036 in annual sustainable funding and our county will receive a total of \$26,541,120 which municipalities will be obligated to invest in planned improvement of valued municipal infrastructure;

**And Whereas** the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) estimates that municipal governments face an annual shortfall of about \$4.9 billion dollars during the next 10 years as they struggle to maintain current services and address tier local infrastructure gap;

**And Whereas** our local municipal governments cannot try to close the \$4.9 billion gap using property taxes alone, those bills might need to double over the next decade, this would have a negative impact on our economy, our seniors and low-income residents hardest of all;

**And Whereas** the Local Share proposal demonstrates a dedicated 1% sales tax could generate \$2.5 billion annually for municipal infrastructure and services, the Local Share proposal would help to bridge the gap, while helping municipal governments manage the pressure on property taxes;

**And Whereas** Municipal governments own more of Ontario's infrastructure than the federal or provincial governments, our roads, bridges and other assets are in need of repair and investment, needed repair and work that has been delayed because of a lack of consistent and sustainable funding;

**And Whereas** Municipal governments across the County of Renfrew and the Province of Ontario need and will continue to need a variety of dependable, multi-year and sustainable funding sources to repair maintain and build strong communities today and in the future;

**And Whereas** Municipal governments provide services such as police, fire and ambulance services, roads and bridges, public transit, water and wastewater treatment, recreational programs, waste management, social housing, and public health, all of which is mandated by the senior levels of government in Ontario and Canada, these services are delivered while receiving only 9 cents of every tax dollar in Ontario;

**And Whereas** the Canadian and Ontario governments are almost wholly depended upon municipal infrastructure for the generation of economic activity are reluctant to consistently and equitably invest in renewing or improving the municipal infrastructure they benefit from utilizing;

**And Whereas** the Local Share ensures that everyone who uses municipal services – residents, businesses and tourists – helps to pay for them as they are renewed, expanded or repaired;

**Now Therefore Be It Resolved** that the Municipal Council of Laurentian Hills strongly supports the Local Share Proposal developed by the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and believes it to be crucial to the economic well being of our community as it will assist in the timely repair, replacement or renewal of municipal infrastructure which is utilized daily to support the local, provincial and national economy.

**And Further** that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honourable Premier Kathleen Wynne, Mr. John Yakabuski, MPP Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke, Mr. Patrick Brown, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party of Ontario, Ms. Andrea Horwath, Leader of the Ontario New Democratic Party, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and our local municipal councils and the City of Pembroke.

**CARRIED** Resolution 279 -17

**XIII. LATE CORRESPONDENCE**

Moved by Councillor Boucher  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Giardini

THAT all items of correspondence be filed.

**CARRIED** Resolution 280 -17

**XIV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Giardini  
Seconded by Councillor Hoyle

THAT upon the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole for Planning this Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills declines the request to move a portion of Stewart Lane to the unopened road allowance locally referred to as the Allen Drive road allowance.

**CARRIED** Resolution 281 -17

Moved by Councillor Blimkie  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Giardini

THAT upon the recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee this Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills authorizes staff to proceed with the issuing of a purchase order and a down payment in the amount of \$8,339.40 to the MAADI Group for a MakeABridge as per the quote dated 27 October 2017,

And Be it Hereby Further Resolved That all other costs associated with the installation of the bridge be brought forward to the 2018 budget.

**CARRIED** Resolution 282 -17

Moved by Councillor Blimkie  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Giardini

THAT this Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills does approve the request from the Chalk River & Area Lions Club for a donation of \$500.00 for the Children's magic show to be held during the 2018 Winter Carnival,

And Be it Hereby Further Resolved That the request for parking on the streets and for the use of the Town's barricades for the weekend of the Carnival to be held February 2-4 be approved.

**CARRIED** Resolution 283 -17

Moved by Councillor Hoyle  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Giardini

THAT this Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills authorizes the acquisition of a strip of land 104 feet long by 6 feet wide in the Village of Chalk River which runs parallel to and deemed necessary for the purpose of a municipal road (Wilson Street);

And be it hereby further resolved that the Clerk and Mayor are hereby authorized to execute, for and on behalf of the corporation any and all documents required in connection with the purchase of the property, including but not limited to purchase agreements.

**CARRIED** Resolution 284 -17

**XV. NEW BUSINESS**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Giardini  
Seconded by Councillor Blimkie

THAT this Council of Town of Laurentian Hills does authorize the transfer of all surplus funds from the 2017 Town budget and the Town's Recreation and Water and Sewer budgets be moved to the General Reserves so that they may be brought forward into the 2018 budget.

**CARRIED** Resolution 285 -17

**NEW BUSINESS** (Cont'd)

Moved by Councillor Blimkie  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Giardini

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Laurentian Hills received the report of the Minister's Expert Panel on Public Health: "Public Health within an Integrated Health System"; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council for the Town of Laurentian Hills has significant concerns regarding the recommendations of the Expert Panel to integrate a population health approach into local planning and service delivery; and

**WHEREAS**, there is an apparent lack of empirical evidence base upon which the recommendations are founded; and

**WHEREAS**, the current mandate of public health to prevent disease, protect, and promote health should remain unchanged; and

**WHEREAS**, public health must remain distinct from acute care health services and Local Health Integration Networks (LHINs) in terms of role, funding, governance, and accountability in order for public health to focus on a more upstream approach, the causes of poor health or the social determinants of health; and

**WHEREAS**, the important linkages with local communities for programming, understanding local needs, and leveraging these partnerships will be undermined; and

**WHEREAS**, regionalization of public health units with centralized decision-making will have significant negative consequences for local public health and municipalities:

- Less municipal representation (400 Board of Health members reduced to approximately 180) and loss of local voice in governing and directing public health programs and services to understand and meet the needs of our communities;
- Substantial delays in responding to local program and service needs especially during emergencies;
- Adding another layer of bureaucracy resulting in increased costs and inefficiencies;
- Governance structure will not be flexible enough to meet/adjust/respond to local needs and negatively impact vulnerable priority populations;
- Potential loss of important local services fundamental to day-to-day public health unit operations and efficiencies (i.e., corporate services, finance, planning and evaluation, communications, information technology, etc.);
- Key positions (chair, vice-chair, finance, etc.) on regional boards of health should not be appointed Orders in Council to avoid political influence/interference; and

**WHEREAS**, the current cost-shared provincial/municipal funding formula (75%-25%) will not support the implementation of the proposed recommendations; and

**WHEREAS**, LHIN boundaries should be reconfigured to align with municipal, local public health, education, and social service boundaries to support their relationships with local public health and population health and health care system planning; and

**WHEREAS** public health can be integrated into the health care system without the significant system disruption, enormous cost, and risk of eroding community valued Public Health programs and services that would result with implementation of the Expert Panel's recommendations;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that this Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills does not support the recommendations of the Expert Panel and is in agreement with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) urging the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, Dr. Eric Hoskins, not to adopt them.

**CARRIED** Resolution 286 -17

XVI. **CLOSED SESSION** - None

XVII. **MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTION** - None

XVIII. **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor Hoyle  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Giardini

THAT this regular meeting of the Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills do now adjourn at 7:37 p.m.

**CARRIED** Resolution 287 -17

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MAYOR

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CLERK