

Corporation of the **Town of Laurentian Hills**



December 2022

Merry Christmas from the Mayor, Council and Staff

The Municipal office will be closed at noon on December 23 and will reopen January 3, 2023. The office is closed on statutory holidays.

<u>Rink Volunteers Needed</u>

The Town of Laurentian Hills is looking for persons or groups interested in volunteering to help with shoveling, flooding and maintaining the outdoor rink surfaces. The outdoor rinks are located in Chalk River, Point Alexander and Mountain View Subdivision. If you are interested in volunteering at one of these locations, please call the Town office at 613- 584-3114.

Parking on Roadways

Please take note that effective December 1, 2022 winter parking restrictions are in effect. These restrictions prohibit parking a vehicle on any street, highway or Municipal road in such a manner as to interfere with Town services such as snow plowing. Vehicles in violation may be ticketed or towed.

Water Samples Drop off

Water Sample Bottles are available at the municipal office in Point Alexander. Samples are to be taken the **same day** as they are dropped off and preferably after noon. September to March–Drop off Tuesdays <u>ONLY</u>. April to August – Drop off days are Monday to Thursday.

<u>PLEO</u>

PLEO provides Family Peer Support for parents through our: **Parents' Helpline** for support and guidance navigating the mental health system, finding resources in your community, and for when you just need someone to talk to. **Parent Support Groups** for parents to share information and learn from one another, and come together as a community. **Mobile One-on-One Support** for more intensive support and guidance through particularly challenging times, in-person and in your community.

Visit their website at www.pleo.on.ca

Call now to speak with a Family Peer Supporter 613-321-3211 or 855-775-7005.

Christmas Tree Safety Tips

When purchasing an artificial tree, look for the label "Fire Resistant", although this label does not mean the tree won't catch fire, it does indicate the tree will resist burning and should extinguish quickly. When purchasing a live tree, check for freshness. A fresh tree is green; needles are hard to pull from branches and when bent between your fingers, needles do not break. The trunk butt of a fresh tree is sticky with resin, and when tapped on the ground, the tree should not lose many needles. When setting up a tree at home, place it away from fireplaces and radiators. Because heated rooms dry live trees out rapidly, be sure to keep the stand filled with water. Place the tree out of the way of foot traffic and do not block doorways. Please remember to plug in lights directly to the wall socket. It is unsafe to plug lights into extension cords.

Mail: Town of Laurentian Hills 34465 Highway 17, RR #1, Deep River, ON KOJ 1PO Office Hours: 8:00 to 4:00 Mon-Fri Email: info@laurentianhills.ca Web: laurentianhills.ca Phone: 613-584-3114 Fax: 613-584-3285

Holiday Water Samples

The final drop-off during the holidays before Christmas: **December 20, 2022.** Water samples <u>will not</u> be accepted on December 27 2022. You can drop off samples again as of January 3, 2023.

Your NEW Council Contacts

Anne Giardini	Mayor	613-717-4911
Bruce Boucher	Ward 1	613-586-2355
Gary McAnulty	Ward 2	613-639-2838
Brenda Blimkie Deputy Mayor	Ward 3	613-589-9696
John Hoyle	Ward 4	613-589-2999

Departments

Town Office	613-584-3114
Public Works Department	613-584-3865
Building Department	613-401-6955
Pt. Alexander Library	613-584-2714
Chalk River Library	613-589-2966
North Renfrew Landfill	613-584-3114
Fire/Ambulance/OPP	911
Emergency Water/Sewer	613-584-3865
Public Works After Hours	
Emergency	613-584-3865

Paying for Taxes or Water Online

Look for *Town of Laurentian Hills, Laurentian Hills Taxes* or *Town of Laurentian Hills water and sewer*

Use your account number for taxes and account number for water payments.

BANK	TAXES	WATER (do not use A)
Scotiabank	6 Numbers	6 Numbers
TD Bank	8 Numbers	6 Numbers
RBC	8 Numbers	8 Numbers
CIBC	8 Numbers	6 Numbers
BMO	15 Numbers	15 Numbers
Telepay	8 Numbers	6 Numbers
Credit Union	6 Numbers	6 Numbers
Tangerine	15 Numbers	15 Numbers
Meridian	15 Numbers	15 Numbers
National Bank	6 Numbers	6 Numbers

Some banks require more digits that what your

account number is. Please use zero's (0) to fill the required numbers.

Taxes and Water and Sewer Payments

The following options are available: Monthly Pre-Authorized, Cash, Cheque, On-line Banking (at participating banks below), or at Scotiabank, Bank of Montreal and Credit Union in Deep River. Cheques for taxes and water payments may be left in the night deposit box in Chalk River at 19 Railway St. or in Point Alexander 34465 Highway 17 at the main office. The Municipality <u>will not</u> be responsible for cash left in the drop box. For more information, please call the office at 613-584-3114.

Planning on Building? Permit Required?

Any new building <u>over</u> 160 ft 2 (10 x 16) including garages, decks, and porches requires a permit. If a building is less than 160 ft 2 (10 x 16) it must still meet the zoning and all setback requirements for the property. This includes any addition to an existing building including porches or deck as well as any extensive renovations that would include structural alterations or demolition of any building, all sewage systems, partitioning and finishing a basement, damp proofing or waterproofing foundation walls, including installation of drainage tile.

Are You Receiving Your Mail?

Let our office know if you have a Post Office Box number that we can add to your address to ensure you receive your mail. Call 613-584-3114.

It Is Illegal To Push Snow Off Your Property

In accordance with the Highway Traffic Act R.S.O. no person shall deposit any material, including snow or ice, off private property upon any part of roadway within the Municipal boundaries. All persons are prohibited from placing snow or ice off driveway entrances, or otherwise, upon any municipal roadways on either side of the road to which the person resides or is located.

Chalk River Water System Users

In order to comply with provincial regulations and as part of the ongoing efforts to ensure the safety of drinking water, the municipality must test the drinking water supply for the presence of lead. The Town of Laurentian Hills is looking for Businesses and Residential Home Owners who are connected to the Chalk River Water System to participate in the testing and permit staff from the Water Treatment Plant to take water samples for lead testing. The testing will be performed twice a year and each test will take approximately 45 minutes. Testing periods are once between March 1, 2023 to April 15, 2023 and once between June 15, 2023 to October 15, 2023 . Volunteers will be given ample notice prior to any testing and will be provided of copies of the test results. If you are willing to participate and allow the Town to sample water please contact the Town office at **613-584-3114.**

Miller Road Landfill Construction/Demolition Waste

Hours: Tuesday to Saturday 9 a.m. to noon. Permits can be purchased by <u>cash</u> at the Miller Road landfill or at the Deep River Municipal office.

Baggs Road Landfill

Summer Hours: Tuesday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Wednesday to Saturday 9 am to 4 pm (March 15, 2022 to November 5, 2022) Winter Hours: Tuesday to Saturday 9 am to 4 pm (November 8, 2022 to March 11, 2023) Fees can be paid by <u>cash</u> at the Baggs Road site or at the Town office.

Planner on site - Ask your Questions

Do you have a land use question about your property? A question about severances? A question about changing your land use?

Alex Benzie, a Planner with the County of Renfrew Development and Property department is available to answer your questions. Alex is in the Municipal office every third Thursday of the month and welcomes Laurentian Hills residents to come in and meet with her. To arrange an appointment or send Alex a question email info@laurentianhills.ca

Please Remember to Recycle

Keep all recyclable items out of our landfills. Doing so extends the life of our landfill and gives your recycled items a second life.