

CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LAURENTIAN HILLS
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - PROTECTION TO PERSONS & PROPERTY

Wednesday 21 May 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - The Committee of the Whole for Protection to Persons & Property met on Wednesday 21 May 2025 in Council Chambers at 10:00 a.m.

Attendance:

Chairman:	Councillor Hoyle
Vice Chairman	Councillor Boucher

Members:	Mayor Anne Giardini
	Deputy Mayor Blimkie
	Councillor McAnulty

Also Present:

Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk	Sherry Batten
Treasurer/Deputy Clerk	Tammy Whalen
Superintendent of Public Works	Scott Loos
Fire Chief	Kevin Waito

2. **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

3. **DELEGATIONS** The delegations scheduled on the Council meeting agenda were moved to the beginning of the Committee meeting.

Marvin Dupuis, NRSA Director/Land Use Coordinator spoke to Council regarding the rerouting of a snowmobile trail and a request to install gates on the unopened road allowance as a protection measure for known Species at Risk (SAR).

The Town of Deep River Mayor, Sue D'Eon and Reeve Glenn Doncaster spoke to Council on their presentation Supporting major recreational facilities. The presentation was in support of their 2024 request for a proportional contribution of \$319,000.00 to the Community Pool capital rehabilitation.

Clerks Notes:

Delegation 1 The rerouting of the trail includes some SAR protective measures with the installation of gates to prohibit motorized vehicles from disturbing SAR's from April to October 31. Staff was directed to follow up the Town solicitor and bring the matter back to the next Council meeting.

Delegation 2 A presentation on Supporting major recreation facilities, was distributed to Council at the meeting and presented by Mayor D'Eon. Reeve Doncaster spoke to his experience growing up in Rolphoton and playing sports in Deep River. Deep River Council would welcome a meaningful discussion on collective ways to support and improve their major recreational facilities going forward. (presentation attached to the minutes)

Mayor Giardini spoke to the request and that the Town's 2025 budget did not include any money towards Deep River's Community Pool. The request would increase taxes by 10% and that tax dollars had to be put towards our own infrastructure. (complete comments attached to the minutes).

4. **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

- (a) The Fire Chief's report for the month of April 2025 was received and reviewed.

5. **BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

- (a) The Building Inspector's report for the month of April 2025 was received.

6. **EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS** - None

7. **POLICING** – the Mayor updated Council on the Police Service Board meeting.

8. **OTHER BUSINESS** - None

9. **CLOSED SESSION** - None

10. **ADJOURNMENT** - The meeting adjourned at 10:33 a.m.

John Hoyle
Chairman

Clerk