

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LAURENTIAN HILLS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

Wednesday 19 April, 2023 at 11:25 a.m.

- I. CALL TO ORDER** - The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills was held on Wednesday 19 April, 2023 at 11:25 a.m. in the Council Chambers.

The following members of Council were present:

Mayor	Anne Giardini
Deputy Mayor	Brenda Blimkie
Councillor	Gary McAnulty
Councillor	John Hoyle

Absent:
Councillor Bruce Boucher

Also present:
Chief Administrative Officer / Clerk Sherry Batten
Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Tammy Whalen

II. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

III. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

A presentation from Tracy Russell and Dé Groeneveld from North Renfrew Family Service at the beginning of the Protection to Persons and Property Committee meeting.

A presentation of the Town's 2023 Financial statements was given by Ryan McGauley from Rosien Black & Locke at the beginning of the Protection to Persons and Property meeting.

Moved by Councillor McAnulty
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Blimkie

THAT this Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills does confirm and accept the presentation of the Financial Statements for the year 2022 by Mr. Ryan McGauley C.P.A., C.A. of Scott, Rosien Black & Locke, Chartered Accountants as presented.

CARRIED Resolution 64-23

IV. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by Councillor McAnulty
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Blimkie

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of 22 March, 2023 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED Resolution 65-23

V. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole for Protection to Persons and Property of 22 March, 2023 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED Resolution 66-23

- (c) Moved by Councillor Hoyle
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Blimkie

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole for Public Works of 22 March, 2023 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED Resolution 67-23

- (d) Moved by Deputy Mayor Blimkie
Seconded by Councillor McAnulty

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole for Community and Social Services of 22 March, 2023 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED Resolution 68-23

VI. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

- VII. OTHER REPORTS** - None

VIII. MAYOR'S UPDATE – The Mayor reported that on March 22 she helped deliver Meals on Wheels as part of Community Champions week; on the 24 she along with the Warden Emon and County CAO Craig Kelley did the land acknowledgement and gave welcome remarks to the Professional Development Workshop offered to Early Childhood Educators entitled “Play, Think, Learn” – held at the Best Western in Pembroke; on the 29 she attended County Council meeting. There was a presentation by EVA (End Violence against Women). We are committed to ensuring that County Council and the community receives updates on the County’s progress and the progress of implementation of the 86 jury recommendations from the Culleton, Kuzyk and Warmerdam Inquest. That evening she participated in the Community Update webinar hosted by AECL and CNL. On March 30 she attended the Environment Stewardship Council meeting at the Best Western for their usual updates on what is happening at CNL and other sites across Canada; on April 4 she attended a NRLOB meeting; on the 6 she attended the Community Health Partners meeting; on the 12 she chaired the RCHC and Community Services committee meeting at the County; on the 13 she attended the County Finance and Administration Meeting and in the evening attended the Towns Special Council Meeting at the Lion’s Hall in Chalk River.

IX. BY-LAWS

Moved by Councillor Hoyle
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Blimkie

WHEREAS there have been changes made to the proposed By-law after the holding of a public meeting:

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills considers the changes minor no further notice is required to be given in respect of the proposed By-Law.

CARRIED Resolution 69-23

Moved by Councillor Hoyle
Seconded by Councillor McAnulty

THAT By-Law No. 08-23 being a By-Law to amend By-Law No. 10-12, being the Town’s Comprehensive Zoning By-law do now be read a first, second and third time and passed.

CARRIED Resolution 70-23

X. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS - None

XI. PETITIONS - None

XII. CORRESPONDENCE

ACTION ITEMS

(a) Moved by Councillor Hoyle
Seconded by Councillor McAnulty

WHEREAS, Enbridge recently made an announcement of their intention to begin charging third-party contractors and other utilities \$200 CAD (plus applicable taxes) for utility locates where a field locate is required;

AND WHEREAS third-party contractors include Ontario municipalities;

AND WHEREAS these locate requests are only required as Ontario municipalities have allowed utilities to use municipal right of ways at no charge to the utilities;

AND WHEREAS this announcement of new downloaded costs will negatively impact the budgets of Ontario municipalities which are already burdened;

AND WHEREAS if Enbridge is successful in implementing this new charge, a precedence is set for other utility companies to also begin charging for locates;

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED that the Town of Laurentian Hills strongly opposes these utility locate costs being downloaded to Ontario municipalities by Enbridge Gas or other utilities;

AND THAT, the Province of Ontario’s Ministry of Public and Business Service Delivery make it clear that these costs must be borne by the utilities themselves; and

AND THAT, this decision be forwarded to Minister of Public and Business Service Delivery Kaleed Rasheed, Minister of Infrastructure Kinga Surma, Minister of Energy Todd Smith, Premier Doug Ford, John Yakabuski, MPP the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

CARRIED Resolution 71-23

ACTION ITEMS (Cont'd)

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

THAT the resolution from the Municipality of Shuniah regarding municipalities retaining surplus proceeds from tax sales be endorsed.

CARRIED Resolution 72-23

XIII. LATE CORRESPONDENCE

- Moved by Councillor McAnulty
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Blimkie

THAT all items of correspondence be filed.

CARRIED Resolution 73-23

XIV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- (a) Proposed Budget Workshop dates were set for April 27 and May 3rd.
- (b) Meetings – Council meetings will continue to be held at 10:00 am in Council Chambers and will be open to the public to attend in person. Due to the costs the meetings will no longer be streamed or recorded. Delegation/presentations will be allowed to attend in person or participate via zoom.

XV. NEW BUSINESS

- (a) Correspondence from the Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility regarding the 2023 Ontario Senior of the Year Award was received.

XVI. CLOSED SESSION - None

XVII. MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTION - None

XVIII. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

- Moved by Deputy Mayor Blimkie
Seconded by Councillor Hoyle

THAT By-Law No. 09-23 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills meeting of Council held on April 19, 2023 do now be read a first, second and third time and passed.

CARRIED Resolution 74-23

XIX. ADJOURNMENT

- Moved by Councillor Hoyle
Seconded by Councillor McAnulty

THAT this regular meeting of the Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills do now adjourn at 12:02 p.m.

CARRIED Resolution 75-23

MAYOR

CLERK