

CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LAURENTIAN HILLS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday 16 July 2025 at 10:16 a.m.

- I. CALL TO ORDER** - The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills was held on Wednesday 16 July 2025 at 10:16 a.m. in the Council Chambers.

The following members of Council were present:

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| Mayor | Anne Giardini |
| Councillor | Bruce Boucher |
| Councillor | Gary McAnulty |
| Councillor | John Hoyle |

Absent:
Deputy Mayor Brenda Blimkie

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** – Staff recognition awards were done at the beginning of the Protection to Persons and Property Committee meeting.

IV. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Hoyle
Seconded by Councillor Boucher

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of 18 June 2025 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED Resolution 120-25

Moved by Councillor Boucher
Seconded by Councillor McAnulty

THAT the minutes of the Special Council meeting of 24 June 2025 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED Resolution 121-25

V. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole for Protection to Persons and Property of 18 June 2025 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED Resolution 122-25

- (b) Moved by Councillor McAnulty
Seconded by Councillor Boucher

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole for Planning of 18 June 2025 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED Resolution 123-25

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

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole for Public Works of 18 June 2025 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED Resolution 124-25

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

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole for Community and Social Services of 18 June 2025 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED Resolution 125-25

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

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole for Finance and Personnel of 18 June 2025 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED Resolution 126-25

VI. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF PREVIOUS MINUTES - None

VII. OTHER REPORTS - None

VIII. MAYOR'S UPDATE – The Mayor reported that on June 19 she attended an Airport Commission regular meeting and attended the presentation of the proceeds from the McDonald family Ball Tournament to the LH Recreation Committee; on June 20 she attended the Warden's Golf Tournament at Dragonfly Golf Course in Renfrew on June 21 she attended the End of Season Minor Ball Tournament and helped with the BBQ and awarding of medal and/or trophies; on June 22 Attended the RBWM Historical Society's Annual Strawberry Tea; on June 24 she attended Special LH Council meeting; on June 24 she attended a PM Zoom "Leading through Crisis – the Mayor/CAO Dynamic"; on June 25 attended the Renfrew County Council meeting, followed by the Development & Property Meeting and the Operations Committee. There was also a special RC Council meeting following the 2 steering committee meetings; on June 26 attended the Environmental Stewardship Committee meeting hosted by CNL; on June 30 CAO Sherry Batten and I met with MPP Billy Denault in his riding office in Pembroke; on July 4 attended regular OPP board meeting at Laurentian Valley; on July 9 attend a special ZOOM Airport Commission Meeting and on July 11 attended the Cogeco Information Session in Chalk River.

IX. BY-LAWS - None

X. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS

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

THAT this Council does acknowledge receipt of the unaudited statement of revenues and expenses as compared to budget as of 7 July 2025.

CARRIED Resolution 127-25

XI. PETITIONS - None

XII. CORRESPONDENCE

ACTION ITEMS

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

THAT the request from the Anishinabe Sacred Circle for a contribution for their 2025 Water Walk be declined.

CARRIED Resolution 128-25

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

THAT the resolution from the Town of Bracebridge regarding the reduction of the use of road salt be filed.

CARRIED Resolution 129-25

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

THAT the resolution from the Township of Black River requesting that the Office of the Fire Marshall and the Ministry of the Solicitor General:

1. Defer full implementation of the certification regulation for rural and northern municipalities;
2. Provide exemptions or alternative compliance pathways tailored to the needs and limitations of small, remote fire services; and
3. Increase funding and training supports for municipalities outside major urban centers be endorsed.

CARRIED Resolution 130-25

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

THAT the resolutions from the City of Port Colborne in support of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury resolution, requesting the Government of Canada and all federal parties to increase the eligibility threshold for the Income Replacement Benefit program from \$20,000 to no less than \$40,000 annually for a single-person household: and

that Veterans Affairs Canada review all income support programs with the intent to modernize eligibility criteria in line with current costs of living across Canada for Canadian Veterans be endorsed.

CARRIED Resolution 131-25

INFORMATION ITEMS

Moved by Councillor Boucher
Seconded by Councillor McAnulty

THAT all items of correspondence be filed.

CARRIED Resolution 132-25

XIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

(a) Moved by Councillor Hoyle
Seconded by Councillor McAnulty

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Laurentian Hills approves the date change of the November meeting change from 19 November to 21 November 2025.

CARRIED Resolution 133-25

(b) Moved by Councillor Boucher
Seconded by Councillor McAnulty

THAT the request from Craig Parr for access on an unopened road allowance be deferred until a comprehensive road access policy is drafted.

CARRIED Resolution 134-25

XV. CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councillor Hoyle
Seconded by Councillor Boucher

THAT the next portion of the meeting be closed to the public pursuant to section 239 (2) (b) of the Municipal Act, c.25 S.O. 2001 as amended as the subject matter being considered is personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

CARRIED Resolution 135-25

Moved by Councillor Hoyle
Seconded by Councillor McAnulty

THAT this meeting of the Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills does now move out of closed session to rise and report.

CARRIED Resolution 136-25

Clerks Note: Discussion was on personal matters about an identifiable person.

XVI. MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTION - None

XVII. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

Moved by Councillor McAnulty
Seconded by Councillor Boucher

THAT By-Law No. 16 -25 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills meeting held on July 16, 2025, do now be read a first, second and third time and passed.

CARRIED Resolution 137-25

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Boucher
Seconded by Councillor McAnulty

THAT this meeting of the Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills do now adjourn at 10:49 a.m.

CARRIED Resolution 138-25

MAYOR

CLERK