

CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LAURENTIAN HILLS  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday 18 January, 2023 at 10:08 a.m.

- I. CALL TO ORDER** - The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills was held on Wednesday 18 January, 2023 at 10:08 a.m. in the Council Chambers.

The following members of Council were present:

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

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** - None

- IV. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Blimkie  
Seconded by Councillor McAnulty

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of 14 December, 2023 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED** Resolution 01-23

- 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 14 December, 2023 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED** Resolution 02-23

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

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole for Public Works of 14 December, 2023 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED** Resolution 03-23

- (c) 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 14 December, 2023 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED** Resolution 04-23

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

- VII. OTHER REPORTS** - None

- VIII. MAYOR'S UPDATE** – The Mayor reported that on January 10 she attended a Renfrew County Housing Corporation meeting and chaired her first Community Services meeting; on the 11 she attended a County Finance Committee meeting; on the 16 she attended a County Strategic Planning Session.

- IX. BY-LAWS**

Moved by Councillor Boucher  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Blimkie

THAT By-Law No. 01-23 being a By-Law to adopt the 2023 Water and Wastewater rates for the Corporation of the Town of Laurentian do now be read a first, second and third time and passed.

**CARRIED** Resolution 05-23

- X. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS** - None

- XI. PETITIONS** - None

**XII. CORRESPONDENCE**

**ACTION ITEMS**

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

THAT the resolution from Lanark County declaring intimate partner violence/violence against women an epidemic as per recommendation #1 of the Renfrew County's Coroner's Jury Recommendations be endorsed.

**CARRIED** Resolution 06-23

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

THAT the resolution from the Municipality of Tweed petitioning the Ontario Energy Board to regulate natural gas bill costs to levels that are affordable and profitable as in jurisdictions within Ontario that have lower costs be endorsed.

**CARRIED** Resolution 07-23

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

THAT the Town of Laurentian Hills supports the Township of McNab/Braeside's Resolution 430-2022 and requests that the Federal and Provincial governments reduce or eliminate the tax charged on fuel used to produce heat for homes, including, gas, oil and propane in attempt to make the cost of heating home affordable.

**CARRIED** Resolution 08-23

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

THAT the resolution from the Municipality of Greenstone regarding the expansion of Bill 3 described as "An Act to amend various statutes with respect to special powers and duties of heads of Council" be endorsed.

**CARRIED** Resolution 09-23

**XIII. LATE CORRESPONDENCE**

Moved by Councillor McAnulty  
Seconded by Councillor Hoyle

THAT all items of correspondence be filed.

**CARRIED** Resolution 10-23

**XIV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Blimkie  
Seconded by Councillor Hoyle

THAT this Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills approves and adopts the Water and Wastewater Administration, Billing and Collection policy and rescinds the previous policy adopted by Resolution No. 032-04 January 14<sup>th</sup> 2004.

**CARRIED** Resolution 11-23

Moved by Councillor Boucher  
Seconded by Councillor Hoyle

THAT this Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills approves the attendance of two members from the Fire Department at the North Eastern Fire Education Conference, scheduled to be held in Huntsville, March 23-25, 2023.

**CARRIED** Resolution 12-23

**XV. NEW BUSINESS**

Moved by Councillor Hoyle  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Blimkie

THAT this Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills approves the attendance of a staff member and two members of Council at the Ontario Clean Water Agency - Standard of care training session to be held February 2, 2023 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the Petawawa Civic Centre.

**CARRIED** Resolution 13-23

**NEW BUSINESS** (Cont'd)

Moved by Deputy Mayor Blimkie  
Seconded by Councillor Boucher

THAT this Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills acknowledges receipt of correspondence dated January 5, 2023 from the Chalk River & Area Lions Club requesting a grant in the amount of \$3,000.00.

**And further** directs that the request be deferred to the 2023 budget workshop for discussion.

**CARRIED** Resolution 14 -23

Moved by Councillor Hoyle  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Blimkie

THAT this Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills approves the changing of the February Committee/Council meetings scheduled to be held on Wednesday February 22 to Thursday February 23, 2023.

**CARRIED** Resolution 15-23

**XVI. CLOSED SESSION**

Moved by Councillor McAnulty  
Seconded by Councillor Hoyle

THAT the next portion of the meeting be closed to the public pursuant to section 239 (2) (c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board; and (e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board; (f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

**CARRIED** Resolution 16-23

Moved by Councillor Hoyle  
Seconded by Councillor Boucher

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 17-23

Report: The Mayor reported that discussions were on the acquisition/disposition of land, potential litigation and solicitor-client communications and direction was given to staff.

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

**XVIII. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW**

Moved by Councillor Boucher  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Blimkie

THAT By-Law No. 02-23 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills meeting of Council held on January 18, 2023 do now be read a first, second and third time and passed.

**CARRIED** Resolution 18-23

**XIX. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor Boucher  
Seconded by Councillor Hoyle

THAT this regular meeting of the Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills do now adjourn at 10:50 a.m.

**CARRIED** Resolution 19-23

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**MAYOR**

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**CLERK**