

CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LAURENTIAN HILLS  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday 22 January, 2025 at 10:48 a.m.

- I. CALL TO ORDER** - The Regular Meeting of the Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills was held on Wednesday 22 January, 2025 at 10:48 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**

Mayor Anne Giardini declared a pecuniary interest for agenda item number XIV (a) New Business – Request to purchase part of public property legally described as Rolph Con 3 Pt Lot 8 RP 491086 Part I (locally known as 136 Uniake Lane) she owns property abutting this property.

- III. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS** The Delegations were moved to the beginning of the PP&P Committee meeting. (see PP&P minutes)

- IV. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Blimkie  
Seconded by Councillor Boucher

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of 18 December, 2024 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED** Resolution 05-25

Moved by Councillor Boucher  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Blimkie

THAT the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council of 10 January, 2025 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED** Resolution 06-25

- V. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole for Protection to Persons and Property of 18 December 2024 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED** Resolution 07-25

- (b) 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 December 2024 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED** Resolution 08-25

- (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 18 December 2024 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED** Resolution 09-25

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

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole for Finance and Personnel of 18 December 2024 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED** Resolution 10-25

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

- VII. OTHER REPORTS** - None

**VIII. MAYOR'S UPDATE** – The Mayor reported that on December 21 she attended the Santa Claus Parade in Chalk River; on January 10 she attended Special Meeting of LH Council; on the 13 she attended a County Council Review of new meeting structure; on the 15 she attended County Council Meeting and Committees; on the 16 she did a virtual with RCDDS Steering Committee Meeting and on the 18-21 she attended a ROMA Conference in Toronto and participated in 4 different delegations with Ministers.

**IX. BY-LAWS**

Moved by Councillor Hoyle  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Blimkie

THAT By-Law No. 02-25 being a By-Law to provide for the remuneration and payment of expenses for members of Council and persons appointed by Council to serve on Commissions, Boards or Committees of the Town of Laurentian Hills, including Committees of the Whole of Council do now be read a first, second and third time and passed.

**CARRIED** Resolution 11-25

Moved by Councillor McAnulty  
Seconded by Councillor Boucher

THAT By-Law No. 03-25 being a By-Law to authorize the signing of the Transfer Payment Agreement for a Fire Protection Funding Grant with His Majesty the King in right of Ontario representing the Ministry of the Solicitor General and the Office of the Fire Marshall do now be read a first, second and third time and passed.

**CARRIED** Resolution 12-25

**X. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS** - None

**XI. PETITIONS** - None

**XII. CORRESPONDENCE**

**ACTION ITEMS**

(a) Moved by Councillor McAnulty  
Seconded by Councillor Boucher

THAT the resolution from the Town of Aylmer in opposition to Provincial legislation on cycling lanes and maintaining municipal jurisdiction over cycling infrastructure decisions be filed.

**CARRIED** Resolution 13-25

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

THAT the resolutions from the Township of Puslinch and Municipality of South Huron objecting to the Ministry of Finance's plans to provide subsidies to the aggregate industry with the creation of a new aggregate property sub-class in 2025, creating an undue burden on municipal taxpayers to subsidize the aggregate industry and further calls on the provincial government to reevaluate and correct the misguided subsidies being provided to the aggregate sector and ensure that future tax policies are fair, equitable and consistent for all taxpayers be filed.

**CARRIED** Resolution 14-25

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

Moved by Councillor McAnulty  
Seconded by Councillor Boucher

THAT all items of correspondence be filed.

**CARRIED** Resolution 15-25

**XIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Resolution 16-25 Red Deer trail was tabled.

Moved by Councillor McAnulty  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Blimkie

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Laurentian Hills approves the replacement of the Reznor heaters at the Water Treatment Plant, as per the quote dated December 30, 2024 from Valley Refrigeration in the amount of \$18,884.63 plus applicable taxes.

**AND FURTHER** that the expenditure be included in the 2025 budget.

**CARRIED** Resolution 17-25

**XIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS (Cont'd)**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Blimkie  
Seconded by Councillor Hoyle

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Laurentian Hills approves the cancellation of the February Committee and Council meetings scheduled to be held February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

**CARRIED** Resolution 18-25

**XIV. NEW BUSINESS** The Mayor vacated Council Chambers and the Deputy Mayor assumed the meeting.

Moved by Councillor Boucher  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Blimkie

**WHEREAS** the land described below is no longer necessary, useful or suitable for municipal purposes.

**NOW THEREFORE** be it resolved that this Council of the Corporation of the Town of Laurentian Hills does hereby declare a portion of Lot 8 Concession 3 Rolph RP 491086 Part 1, Roll Number 4792 092 015 28300 0000 to be non-viable land and surplus to the municipalities needs.

**AND FURTHER** this Council does direct staff to work with the Town solicitor to implement and follow the Disposition of Municipal Property Policy and any other applicable legislation and by-laws for the negotiation of the disposition of the land by direct sale to the abutting landowner(s).

**AND FURTHER** that the portion of the land to be disposed of for consolidation to the adjacent properties shall be 60 feet in depth by the length of the back lot lines of the abutting properties (approximately 1025 feet).

**CARRIED** Resolution 19-25

The Mayor returned to Council Chambers and reassumed the meeting.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Blimkie  
Seconded by Councillor Boucher

THAT this Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills does acknowledge receipt of the Treasurer's 2024 Statement of Council Remuneration and Expenses as authorized by By-Law No. 19-24.

**CARRIED** Resolution 20-25

**XV. CLOSED SESSION - None**

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

**XVII. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW**

Moved by Councillor McAnulty  
Seconded by Councillor Boucher

THAT By-Law No.04 -25 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills meeting held on January 22, 2025 do now be read a first, second and third time and passed.

**CARRIED** Resolution 21-25

**XVIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Blimkie  
Seconded by Councillor Boucher

THAT this meeting of the Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills do now adjourn at 11:07 a.m.

**CARRIED** Resolution 22-25

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**MAYOR**

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**CLERK**