

Great News! With the help of our high speed internet partner, Bell Aliant, Laurentian Valley and Petawawa will now be connected.

Laurentian Valley and Petawawa are pleased to announce that the Province of Ontario has chosen to partner on our Joint Local Broadband Infrastructure Project by approving our application for funding under the Rural Connections Program.

One-third of the approved eligible costs of the Laurentian Valley/Petawawa project will be funded by the Ontario government. The Project is eligible for \$700,908 through the Rural Connections Broadband program. Bell Aliant, our service provider partner, has committed to providing the remaining two thirds (2/3) of the capital funding.

The Bell Aliant proposal includes both DSL high speed wire-line Internet service to the municipalities' more populous regions and "Inukshuk" wireless service from existing Bell towers to areas beyond the reach of the DSL signal. It is anticipated that the project, once completed in 2010, would bring high speed Internet to the majority of homes and businesses in the community and cover 82% of the areas currently unserved in the two municipalities. Total cost for the project is estimated to be approximately two million dollars (\$2,000,000).

The municipalities worked closely with Madawaska Management Ltd in the development of the application for the funding. The efforts of our Broadband Committee Members are also greatly appreciated as they were key contributors to making this a successful application.

The municipality would like to thank all the local businesses, service organizations and the public, who completed surveys and sent in letters of support for this important initiative.

As the project starts to roll-out, there will be a community outreach component. We plan to keep the public informed of the Project progress through the media and the municipal web sites, so stay tuned for more exciting information on this Project.

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Councillor George Hodgkinson	613-735-5982
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Councillor Jim Sheedy	613-732-9358

Voicemail can now be left for Council Members at the Township Office.

2009 Council Committees

<u>Public Service & Programs:</u>	Hodgkinson, Robinson, Sheedy
<u>Protection to Persons/Property:</u>	Gauthier, Sheedy, Brown
<u>Finance & Administration:</u>	Bennett, Robinson, & Hodgkinson
<u>Planning & Economic Development:</u>	Bennett, Robinson, Gauthier
<u>Public Works/Property:</u>	Sheedy, Bennett, & Brown
<u>Strategic Planning & Visioning:</u>	Robinson, Bennett, Brown
<u>Planning Committee:</u>	All of Council

All Meetings are open to the public. Council Meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Office, 460 Witt Rd. at 5:30 pm. Committee of the Whole meets the second Monday of each month at 5:30 pm. All other Committees meet at the call of the Chair. Should you wish to address Council, visit our website or call the office at 613-735-6291 to request information on Delegations to Council. All Meetings in July and August are held at the call of the Chair.

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Other

Animal Control	613-735-2432
Fire/Police/Ambulance (Emergency Only)	9-1-1
Police Anywhere by Cell Phone (emergency only)	*OPP
OPP Communication Centre (24 hr)	1-888-310-1122
Upper Ottawa Valley OPP (8 am - 4 pm)	613-735-0188
Crime Stoppers	613-735-8477
Women's Shelter & Support Services	613-732-3131
Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre	613-735-7537

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Welcome to Laurentian Valley!

TOWNSHIP OF LAURENTIAN VALLEY
460 Witt Rd, RR #4, Pembroke, ON K8A 6W5

The Township of Laurentian Valley was established on January 1st 2000 through the amalgamation of the former Township of Stafford-Pembroke and the Township of Alice & Fraser. Our growing and vibrant municipality is home to a population of approximately 9,600 residents with 3,769 households.

Office Hours: Monday to Friday
7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Phone: 613-735-6291 or 613-735-3955
Emergency After Hours: 613-735-6070
Fax: 613-735-5820
Website - www.laurentianvalleytwp.on.ca
E-mail - laurentian@laurvall.on.ca

Payment of Municipal Services

You may pay for municipal services at the municipal office with cash, cheques, post-dated cheques or Interac. Payments with slips can also be dropped off after hours in the mail slot to the left-hand side of the main door. Internet banking is also available for tax and water payments; these payments need to be set up separately under 'tax' or 'water' accounts, using your roll # as your account #. If you have more than one roll # you need to set up separate accounts. Tax and water payments can also be made in person at ScotiaBank. Please note your tax bills are in a new format and there are now two installments with each billing.

Garbage/Recycling

Ratepayers are required to have garbage and recycling out no later than 5 a.m. the day of pick-up. Regular garbage and container recyclables are picked up one week, alternating with green carts (organics) and paper the next week. There is a three-bag limit for garbage. Your collection schedules will indicate extra leaf and yard waste collections, as well as the fall bulky item pick-up. During snow removal months, your containers should be placed in your driveway, 5 feet back from the roadway. Green Carts are registered to the property and are not to be taken when you move! ASHES do NOT go in the GREEN CARTS! COLD ASHES are garbage to be placed out separately in a plastic bag or cardboard box.

We sell the following at the Municipal Office:

Mini Bins	\$ 3.00
Yellow Cans	\$13.50
Blue Boxes	\$ 6.50
Green Carts	\$47.00/\$76.80

Commercial businesses can now arrange for regular garbage/recycling pick-up by calling the Municipal Office.

Disposal of Household Batteries

You can dispose of used batteries at the Municipal Office, the Alice & Fraser Recreation Centre and the Shady Nook Recreation Centre. A clear collection tube has been set up at each location to dispose of all types and sizes of household batteries. There is also a container for old cell phones. Help us keep this hazardous waste out of local landfill sites!

Fire Department

The Laurentian Valley Fire Department strives to promote a "fire safe" community. SMOKE ALARMS save LIVES! Do yours work? Check and change batteries regularly! GREEN CARTS are NOT to be used for ASHES as this creates a fire hazard! For non emergency info contact the Fire Department at 613-735-1358.

Police

Policing services are provided by the Upper Ottawa Valley detachment of the OPP. For a non-emergency, call 613-735-0188. *In an emergency, dial 9-1-1.*

Animal Control

Animal control services are for both domestic and wild animals. Do not pick up strays! Call 613-735-2432. All residents must purchase an annual licence for their dogs and cats. Landlords, please notify your tenants. Pet tags are sold at the Township Office:

Sterilized Pet : \$25 Unsterilized Pet: \$30

Animal Control Services are now checking for 2009 pet tags and enforcement is underway! For nuisance bears, call BEARWISE at 1-866-514-2327. If it is an emergency, call 9-1-1.

Burning Permits

Ratepayers are required to obtain a burning permit from the Municipal Office before igniting any fire to burn brush or for recreation, at no cost. Please contact the Municipal Office regarding restrictions/exceptions. You can also view the burning by-law on our website.

Building Permits

Building permits are required for all new construction, from sheds to houses, as well as for additions and renovations effecting the structure of the building. Please note that during the peak building season, permits can take up to two weeks to process. Applications for permits can be printed from our website.

Please Note: The Township has launched a new and improved website thanks to support from Renfrew County Community Futures Development Corporation & Fed/Nor! Check for updates on what is happening in the Township and other info such as Council minutes, application forms, building and planning information. Check it out at www.laurentianvalleytwsp.on.ca

Recreation/Leisure Opportunities

Alice & Fraser Recreation Centre 613-732-8404
Offers ball diamonds, softball league, outdoor rink, Scouting, team penning, playground, hall rental available.

Shady Nook Recreation Centre 613-732-0954
Offers sponge puck hockey league, outdoor rink, ball diamond, soccer, playground, hall rental available.

Micksburg Recreation Association 613-735-0725
Minor and adult softball, hall rental available.

Stafford Park 613-735-3817
Ball diamond and playground.

Pleasant View Park 613-735-7999
Revitalized play structure, basketball nets, tennis court. Spruce Street West.

Forest Lea Park 613-735-9177
Safe play area for children. Sufian Drive.

Alice Ski Hill Park 613-732-2776
Alpine Ski and Snowboard Club offers skiing and snowboarding at our local ski hill. Lessons available.

Library and Swimming Pool
All Township residents have full privileges at the Pembroke Public Library at 237 Victoria Street and the Pembroke Kinsmen Pool at 426 Herbert Street.

Family Physicians

Laurentian Valley is a member of the Upper Ottawa Valley Recruitment Committee actively recruiting family doctors. If you do not have a family physician make sure you fill out an "orphaned patient" form available at the Municipal Office.

Emergency Management

During all seasons there is a risk of severe weather emergencies and potential fluctuations in electricity. It is important to be prepared to take care of yourself and your family for at least 72 hours. An Emergency Survival Kit Checklist is available at www.laurentianvalleytwsp.on.ca or from the Municipal Office. If you have a back-up generator, ensure that it is always ready to use in an emergency by testing it regularly. Also ensure it is installed properly with a transfer switch to disconnect your building from the power grid when the generator is connected.