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# **Report to Council**

To: Mayor and Council Members
From: Dianna Everson, Deputy Treasurer
Date: March 6, 2025
Subject: Properties Eligible for Tax Registration

# **Recommendation:**

That Council direct staff to proceed with registering the 10 properties listed on the attached list.

# Background:

Current legislation states that properties may become eligible for tax registration when there are tax arrears of two or more years. The Council of North Kawartha has chosen to keep the historical option of the eligibility of tax registration after three or more years.

# Analysis:

Tax Sale Procedures are governed by the Municipal Act 2001, Section 373.

- 1. Tax Arrears notices are mailed to all property owners that have property tax arrears at the time of the scheduled mailings. This process happens seven times in the year.
- 2 On December 5, 2024 a letter was sent to the property owners at their last known address to advise of the seriousness of their account and the eligibility of tax registration, unless suitable payments arrangements have been made by February 28, 2025.
- 3. A report is prepared to Council with the list of properties eligible for the tax registration process.
- 4. Once Council has approved the tax registration on the listed properties, all-



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necessary information is forwarded to the Municipality's lawyer.

- 5. The lawyer will register a Tax Arrears Certificate. Once the properties are registered, the owner(s) have one year from the date of registration to redeem the property by paying the total taxes due, penalty/interest and legal fees (cancellation price) or enter into an Extension Agreement.
- **6** One year from the registration date of the Tax Arrears Certificate. A report would be taken to Council to give direction to advertise any of the remaining properties for Public Tender.

# **Financial Implications:**

No financial implication if all taxes, penalties, interest and legal fees are collected, as the minimum tender amount. As of December 31 2024, all of the County and school board levies have been paid on these properties.

### Strategic and/or Other Plans:

3. Governance – Maintain a Strong, Accountable Municipal Government.

# Consultant(s) Sourced:

Judy Everett, Treasurer

#### Attachments:

**Eligible Property Listing**