

TOWNSHIP OF LAIRD

AGENDA 31

APRIL 15, 2021

**** The Laird Township Council Meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m., by teleconference. Please call the admin office (705) 248-2395 to receive instructions on how to activate the teleconference meeting. ****

ACTION ITEMS

1. Consideration of Agenda

- a) Declaration of Conflict of Interest
- b) Modifications, Additions, Deletions
- c) Approval

2. Routine Matters

- a) Approval of minutes of March 18, 2021
- b) Approval of recreation minutes, March 30, 2021
- c) Approval of general accounts to April 15, 2021
- d) Approval of roads accounts to March 31, 2021

3. Delegations and Presentations

4. Business Arising out of Discussion

- a) Road Dept/LFMB, trailer purchase
- b) Heritage/Bar River WI, Knox Church requirements (*encl*)
- c) Finns' Bay Rd N, Back-lots survey & opinion on saleability (*encl*)

5. New Business

- a) 141 Finns' Bay Road N., back lot purchase request
- b) Town of Cochrane, opposing closing of Youth Residence (*encl*)
- c) Police Services Board, require Provincial appointee, Jack Priest agrees to put his name forward again
- d) Ditching 2021, tender recommendation
- e) Grant 1) *NOHFC* \$200k (renovations at Bar River Hall)? Urgent as first come, first serviced procedure

- 2) \$250k Covid-19 *Health Communities Initiative*, improvements, i.e., social distancing @ fairgrounds and wharf
- 3) \$150k *Trillium* for G.W. Evoy Rink Restoration
- f) Road Department, ditching (clean-out) Recommendation
- g) Trefry Centre, 2021 request for donation

- h) Laird Hall Committee, Jo-Anne Entwistle willing to sit on it

A. INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS

1. Communications and Correspondence

- a) ON Recreation Facility Assoc., Say thank you to recreation members
- b) Lavera Crack, Chair MMHA – Physician Recruitment (*encl*)
- c) MPAC, Assessments for 2022 will continue to be based at 2016 values
- d) Min of Infrastructure, 2021 FGT (now Canada Community Building Fund) almost double 2020
- e) Min of Finance, Cannabis duty 2018-2020, \$3,991,090 to be shared
- f) Kitchener, Opposition to lessening of times re Planning Act

2. Council Information

- a) Lane Shark, Council's question about clearing vegetation (*encl*)

3. Council Meetings

- a) ADMA, Zoom/April 17, 2021
- b) Council Meeting, May 20, 2021

B. CLOSED MEETING

- a) Personal, Grounds Manager position

C. RETURN TO OPEN MEETING

Consideration of and action on matters arising out of the closed meeting

D. ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES OF AGENDA NUMBER 30, OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LAIRD, HELD ON MARCH 18, 2021, HELD IN PERSON AT THE LAIRD HALL.

Present: *Mayor:* Dick Beitz
Councillors: Shawn Evoy
 Todd Rydall
 Frank Turco

Electronic Participation: Ed Lapish
Clerk: Phyllis MacKay
Clerk Trainee: Jennifer Errington
Road Superintendent: David Pollari

ON MOTION (No. 33-21) of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Ed Lapish that Council approves Council minutes of February 18, and the recreation committee minutes of February 23, 2021, as amended with removal of 'local 317' at the end of sentence in council minutes as per Councillor Turco's recommendation.

CARRIED

ON MOTION (No. 34-21) of Frank Turco, seconded by Todd Rydall that Council approves general accounts to March 18, 2021 as presented in amount of \$3,076.89.

CARRIED

ON MOTION (No. 35-21) of Todd Rydall, seconded by Shawn Evoy that Council approves road accounts to February 28, 2021, as presented in the amount of \$56,763.83.

CARRIED

ON MOTION (No. 36-21) of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Frank Turco that Council accepts report on Waste Disposal Site Lighting options and moves forward with requesting Algoma Power Inc. give a quote on having power delivered to 1606 Government Road.

CARRIED

ON MOTION (No. 37-21) Frank Turco, seconded by Shawn Evoy that Council purchase a 2200 Generac generator, as discussed.

CARRIED

ON MOTION (No. 38-21) of Todd Rydall, seconded by Shawn Evoy that Council approves Procedural By-law 1031-21, as presented.

CARRIED

ON MOTION (No. 39-21) of Frank Turco, not seconded that Council approves By-law 1032-21, appointing a Clerk for the Township of Laird, with the amendment to remove 'acting Clerk' to 'Clerk' commencing May 5, 2021. **NON-MOTION**

ON MOTION (No. 40-21) of Todd Rydall, seconded by Shawn Evoy that Council rescinds motion No. 23-21 and approves By-law 1032-21, appointing a Clerk for the Township of Laird, as presented. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 41-21) of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Frank Turco that Council rescinds motion No. 30-21, as discussed. **CARRIED**

The Treasurer's Report on funding provided to the Township, spend or committed, was reviewed with Council.

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ON MOTION (No. 42-21) of Frank Turco, seconded by Todd Rydall that Council disburses funds from One-Time Funding to pay for the 2020 half-ton truck. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 43-21) of Ed Lapish, seconded by Frank Turco that Council wishes to reach out to Tulloch Engineering to develop a design for garage roof for tender purposes. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 44-21) of Todd Rydall, seconded by Shawn Evoy that Council disburses funds from the one-time Provincial funding to municipalities for modernization, service delivery and capital expenditures, for the purchase of a hydraulic limb saw, two-tine thumb for CX225 Excavator if under \$16,000, and further investigate dump trailer, as discussed. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 45-21) of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Todd Rydall that Council gets quote on having a survey done to create 7 lots of Block A and reach out to get market assessments. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 46-21) of Todd Rydall, seconded by Shawn Evoy that Council sets May 29th and May 30th, 2021 as spring clean-up days. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 47-21) of Todd Rydall, seconded by Frank Turco that Council is in support of the Municipal Modernization Program Intake 2 – Third-Party Review Stream application submitted by the administrative office to the Provincial Government. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 48-21) of Frank Turco, seconded by Todd Rydall that Council supports Halton Region in petitioning the Provincial Government urging the Province to move forward with implementing the Association of Municipalities of Ontario's recommendations contained in its submission to the Long-Term Care COVID-19 Commission, and to advocate to the Federal Government to enhance federal health care funding to the Provinces and Territories, along with requesting the Federation of Canadian Municipalities to develop a policy and advocacy position on enhanced federal support for long-term care. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 49-21) of Todd Rydall, seconded by Shawn Evoy that Council sets the summer meeting dates as June 10th, July 15th, and August 19th, 2021. **CARRIED**

Council did not make a decision on agenda item "5. e) Canadian Fallen Firefighters Association, request".

ON MOTION (No. 50-21) of Todd Rydall, seconded by Frank Turco that Council supports the Niagara Region in its efforts to address homelessness, mental health and addiction in the Niagara Region by petitioning the Federal and Provincial ministries advocating Niagara Regions concerns with regards to lack of affordable housing and need for additional funding. **CARRIED**

Council did not make a decision on agenda item "5. g) City of Sarnia, Colour Coded Capacity Limits".

ON MOTION (No. 51-21) of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Frank Turco that Council supports the Niagara Region in petitioning the Provincial Government to amend Bill 197, COVID-19 Economic Recovery Act, 2020, to eliminate the development approval requirement provisions from adjacent municipalities, and that the 'host' municipality be empowered to render final approval for landfills within their jurisdiction. **CARRIED**

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Council did not make a decision on agenda item "5. i) E4m, Human Resource Policies".

ON MOTION (No. 52-21) of Todd Rydall, seconded by Shawn Evoy that Council approves the 2021 amendment to the 5-year Road Plan (2019 to 2023), as presented. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 53-21) of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Todd Rydall that Council appoints 2021 Committees and Boards, as amended. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 54-21) of Todd Rydall, seconded by Frank Turco that Council wishes to participate in a joint meeting with Macdonald, Meredith & Aberdeen Additional Township, as per request. The Clerk-Treasurer will make arrangements. **CARRIED**

Councillor Shawn Evoy declared a conflict of interest with the Lakeview Bridge design correspondence, as he is a share holder in a company that may bid on the work to replace the Bridge.

ON MOTION (No. 55-21) of Frank Turco, seconded by Todd Rydall that Council accepts Council's information on Lakeview Bridge and approves something similar to option 5, as presented, and communicate decision to Tulloch Engineering. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 56-21) of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Ed Lapish that the Council meeting be adjourned at 10:25 p.m. **CARRIED**

Mayor –

Clerk –

**MINUTES OF THE LAIRD RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE
LAIRD TOWNSHIP HALL ON TUESDAY, MARCH 30, 2021**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Donna Bos Shawn Evoy Kathy Sutherland
Rhonda Crozier Brenda Aelick Matt Frolick
Suzanne Evoy Jo-Anne Entwistle

REGRETS: Jack Priest Frank Truco

The meeting was called to order by Matt Frolick, Chairperson.

ON MOTION (No. R10-21) Moved by Donna Bos, seconded by Suzanne Evoy
"That the minutes of February 23, 2021 be adopted, as circulated."

CARRIED

Committee Reports:

1. G. W. Evoy Rink - Trillium Grant is pending and under review
 - committee is meeting to go over rink design and plans
2. Laird Hall - Jo-Anne Entwistle expressed interest in sitting on the committee
3. Bar River Hall - Merrill Evoy inspected the foundation of the hall and will be
 providing a list of repair issues
4. Pumpkin Point Park - a number of trees were taken down because of Emerald Ash
 Borer which killed the trees
 - their budget included fixing up the boat launch and obtaining a
 chipper for the dead trees

ON MOTION (No. R11-21) Moved by Shawn Evoy, seconded by Jo-Anne Entwistle
"That recreation approves the accounts for February 2021 in the amount of \$22,919.58."

CARRIED

Business Arising out of the Minutes:

The secretary reported on the activities co-hosted by Macdonald Twp.

The Snow Sculpture and Snowman Contest was discussed.

ON MOTION (No. R12-21) Moved by Shawn Evoy, seconded by Jo-Anne Entwistle
"That recreation awards \$10.00 gift cards to participants and \$50.00 gift baskets to the three
winners."

CARRIED

ON MOTION (No. R13-21) Moved by Brenda Aelick, seconded by Suzanne Evoy
"That recreation approves of the operating budget in the amount of \$36,122.19 as presented."

CARRIED

ON MOTION (No. R14-21) Moved by Donna Bos, seconded by Jo-Anne Entwistle
"That recreation approves of the capital budget amount for 2021 of \$14,500.00 as presented.
\$32,000.00 to be allocated from 2020 capital."

CARRIED

New Business:

The committee discussed the Healthy Communities Funding criteria and the Rural Enhancement Funding criteria. It was the consensus of the committee to ask sub-committee to have their proposals handed in by the middle of April for consideration.

The committee discussed the plans for the Spring BINGO activity.

ON MOTION (No. 15-21) Moved by Kathy Sutherland, seconded by Brenda Aelick
"That the committee approve of ordering trees as prizes for participants of the Spring BINGO activity along with a gift basket for the winner."

CARRIED

The next meeting will be held Tuesday April 27, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at Laird Township Hall.

ON MOTION (No. R 16-21) Moved by Shawn Evoy
"That the March 30, 2021 meeting be adjourned."

CARRIED

CHAIRPERSON: _____

SECRETARY: _____

TOWNSHIP OF

LAIRD

General Accounts

April 15, 2021

Municipal Planning Services Ltd.	\$ 208.23
Superior Propane	647.16
Bell	401.10
Rogers	4.87
Stone's Office Supply	320.81
Goulais Plumbing	107.35
Ketchum	89.12
Microsoft	1,035.08
Sage	2,592.22
Bell	323.58
Covid Funding-Recreation	379.79
Heritage H/H Building Centre	51.89
Algoma Power Inc.	77.37
Algoma Office Equipment	671.22
Cheryl Frenette	11.00
Canada Post	98.45
Admin Mileage	<u>172.48</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$7,191.72</u>

TOWNSHIP OF LAIRD
Road Department
VOUCHER LISTING

Voucher No. 1

Date 03/31/21

<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Cheque No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Payroll	Overhead		14,469.92
Algoma AG Centre	Shop	3811	15.68
Huges Supply	Shop	3812	24.32
Huron Central Railway	Safety	3815	296.00
Heritage Home Hardware	Shop	3823	162.07
Stone's Office Supply	Shop	3845	16.26
Bell	Overhead	3848	85.65
Rogers	Overhead	3849	50.94
David Pollari	Cell	3855	25.00

TOTAL

\$15,145.84

ACCOUNTS CERTIFIED CORRECT

Motion #

(Signed) Road Superintendent

To Treasurer of Laird Township Authority Herewith To issue Cheques in payment of Accounts Certified
by Road Superintendent as listed above.

(Signed) Chairman

I hereby certify that Accounts listed above have been paid, and amounts are charged to Road Expenditure
Appropriation.

Date Passed by Council

(Signed) Treasurer

Subject Knox Presbyterian Church
From Linda MacDonald <lm.macdonald@sympatico.ca>
To lairdtwp <lairdtwp@soonet.ca>
Cc Shawn Evoy <sevoy@nacsworld.com>
Date 2021-04-11 16:12
Priority Normal

Good Morning,

We would like to inform Council that we have considered the offer of the Knox Presbyterian Church as a new location for the Laird Museum. After visiting the church this past Saturday we have agreed that it would be suitable when the required improvements (water and septic, heat, humidity control, painting) are made.

We look forward to hearing from Council on next steps.

Regards,

Linda MacDonald

Heritage Committee and Bar River WI

March 30, 2021
210056-143

Township of Laird
Attention: Mrs. Phyllis McKay

Sent via email to : lairdtwp@soonet.ca

RE: Cadastral Survey Services for part of Section "L" Twp of Laird being PINS 31468-0068 (LT) and 31468-0279 (LT)

Dear Mrs. McKay:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide an estimate/quotation to prepare the necessary Reference Plan of the said lands.

The anticipated scope of work you have requested is as follows:

- Research of survey/title records to support the field survey
- Field survey of severance as per sketch provided (7) new lots with equal frontage
- Flag new lot lines and lightly trim to clearly indicate limits
- Registered Plan of survey
- Written report of the findings signed by an Ontario Land Surveyor

The total cost to complete this requested scope of work will be **\$6,850.00 + HST**. This quote is valid for **sixty (60)** days.

We anticipate commencing fieldwork for this project within 2-3 weeks of receiving your instruction to proceed. Draft reference plan will be presented with 1 week of field completion. If you have any questions, concerns, or require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you,
TULLOCH Geomatics Inc.


Kevin King
Field Operations Manager

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D. S. Urso O.L.S., C.L.S.
President

April 7, 2021

Township of Laird
3 Pumpkin Point Road
R. R. #2
Echo Bay, ON
P0S 1C0

Attention: Phyllis MacKay A.M.C.T.

Re: Creation of 7 Lots – opposite 455 Finns Bay Road
PINs 31468-0068 and 31468-0279

Dear Phyllis:

Further to your email and 2021/03/24 I have taken the opportunity to review the supplied data, title and survey records for the subject lands.

It is the intent to create 7 new lots configured as per your supplied sketch.

The cost to prepare and circulate a Plan of Survey to be deposited on title to describe the new parcels is estimated at \$8,000.00 plus hst including disbursements and deposit fees.

I await your further comments or authorization to proceed.

Yours truly,
D. S. Urso Surveying Ltd.

D. S. Urso C.L.S., O.L.S.
DSU/sa

Survey Records of:

Bolan & Urso Ltd.
Wm. Bolan Ltd.
Chambers Miller & Wall Ltd.

M. M. Acheson O.L.S.
S. L. MacDougall O.L.S.

"Via Email: premier@ontario.ca

March 29, 2021

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building
Queen's Park
Toronto, ON
M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Ford:

Re: MeeQuam Youth Residence Closure

This will serve to advise you that Council, at its regular meeting held Tuesday, March 23rd, 2021, passed the following resolution:

"Resolution No. 83-2021

Moved By: Todd Calaiezzi

Seconded By: Robert Hutchinson

WHEREAS the Ontario Government announced the closure of 26 youth justice facilities; and

WHEREAS the MeeQuam Youth Residence in Cochrane is one of the facilities that will be closing effective April 30; and

WHEREAS children aged 12 to 17 from the northeastern communities will be impacted by this closure. These are children who have increased needs yet limited access to much needed set of services and support that assist them with their transition to productive and flourishing adulthood; and

WHEREAS with the closure of the MeeQuam Youth Residence, these vulnerable children will find themselves in a facility hundreds and thousands of kilometers away from their community and their families; and



THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Cochrane requests that the Province of Ontario reverse their decision to close the youth justice facility in Cochrane, known as MeeQuam Youth Residence, as these vulnerable children need to be as close as possible to their families and communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this Resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Todd Smith, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services; Honourable Sylvia Jones, Minister of Indigenous Affairs; and all municipalities within the Province of Ontario.

Carried"

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated!

Yours Truly,

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COCHRANE



Alice Mercier
Clerk

/am

c.c.: Hon. Todd Smith, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services
Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Indigenous Affairs
All Municipalities within the Province of Ontario
Charlie Angus, MP, Timmins – James Bay
John Vanthof, MPP, Timiskaming – Cochrane

Thanks Lavera,
I will pass this on to Council.
Phyllis

On 2021-03-19 13:49, Lavera Crack wrote:

Good day, folks. I have had a lot of calls and e-mails over the confusion on Physician Recruitment and Retention. I understand that there is a zoom meeting on Monday. I did not receive an invite and due to my husband's medical appointment at SAH I would not be able to join the meeting. I am providing the following information in an effort to answer some of the questions.

Over 8 years ago MMHA joined forces with Huron North, and Huron East for recruitment purposes. We approached the municipalities in our catchment area for contributions to pay our share. Physician recruitment and retention is a municipal responsibility. We felt that the best way to assess cost sharing was based on population, \$3 per person. From this and along with fundraising, we paid our share of the recruitment costs. This included our share of her wages, travel costs to fairs, her trips to our meetings, supper, as our meetings are at night, and gift bags to hand out at fairs. MMHA was able to monitor the budget, receive reports from the recruiter and discuss any needs we may have had.

The recruiter, actually, seldom had to recruit on our behalf. Most of it was done, in-house, thanks to Dr. Lupien, Dr. Beller and office staff. They had valuable contacts and were successful in getting locums. Presently, we have no needs to be filled, including a physician to replace Dr. Lupien, retiring December 2021.. We continue to have the recruiter attend fairs (not many with covid) to promote our hospital, clinic and Island community.

Three chairs, myself, Donna Latullipe, Sally Hagman attend meetings in Blind River with the recruiter and CEO NSHN. At December's meeting I was quite surprised to be told that a decision had been made to invoice the municipalities in our catchment area. I was not provided answers to my questions: why, and how are you basing the amounts. I was informed that both assessment and population came out "about the same". This is not an accurate statement. The out-going CEO, Ralph Barker and the acting CEO, David Murray made this decision.

MMHA Board of Directors is not in agreement with this decision. Our main concern is monitoring the recruiter's budget and being in close contact with the recruiter. One example I discovered was the in kind money NSHN took credit for, \$700 for office space for the recruiter. She has been working mainly from home and the space, in my mind, certainly does not warrant that price. It was also discovered that NSHN did not pay in 2019 although I see they are now listed as contributors.

For the past few years Huron Shores has disagreed with their invoice amount and has not paid the full amount. Several municipalities in our catchment area did not contribute in 2020 as they had expected an annual letter. I do apologize that this was not sent. MMHA assumed that each municipality would budget the amount each year to cover our share of the recruitment budget.

Respectfully yours,
Lavera

THE GAME IS OFFICIALLY CHANGED



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