

MINUTES OF AGENDA NUMBER 31, OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LAIRD, HELD ON APRIL 15, 2021, VIA TELECONFERENCING.

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

Absent: Ed Lapish
Clerk: Phyllis MacKay
Clerk Trainee: Jennifer Errington
Treasurer: Rhonda Crozier
Road Superintendent: David Pollari

ON MOTION (No. 57-21) of Todd Rydall, seconded by Frank Turco that Council approves Council minutes of March 18, and the recreation committee minutes of March 30, 2021, as presented. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 58-21) of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Todd Rydall that Council approves general accounts to April 15, 2021, as presented in amount of \$7,191.72. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 59-21) of Frank Turco, seconded by Shawn Evoy that Council have staff investigate the purchase of a chipper that has a feeder and a 6 and 9 inch maximum, as discussed. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 60-21) of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Frank Turco that Council approves road accounts to March 31, 2021, as presented in the amount of \$15,145.84. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 61-21) of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Todd Rydall that Council approves the purchase of a trailer to be used by the Road Department and LFMB, as discussed. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 62-21) Shawn Evoy, seconded by Frank Turco that Council will investigate how much it would cost for the required improvements requested by Heritage Committee and Bar River WI. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 63-21) of Todd Rydall, seconded by Shawn Evoy that Council reviewed quotes for the survey of 7 lots – opposite the Wharf property, and endorses the quote from Tulloch Engineering in the amount of \$6,850.00, as presented.

Recorded vote requested by Councillor Turco

<u>For Motion</u>	<u>Against Motion</u>
Shawn Evoy	Frank Turco
Todd Rydall	
Dick Beitz	

CARRIED

ON MOTION (No. 64-21) of Todd Rydall, seconded by Frank Turco that Council approves the sale of the backlot to 141 Finns' Bay Road North, as per previous restrictions, as presented. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 65-21) of Todd Rydall, seconded by Frank Turco that Council supports the Town of Cochrane in its efforts to petition the Province of Ontario to 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. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 66-21) of Todd Rydall, seconded by Frank Turco that Council recommends Jack Priest for Provincial representative on Laird Township Police Services Board. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 67-21) of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Todd Rydall that Council approves quote for ditching (clean-out) requirement to Brian Cameron Trucking, in the amount of \$78,275.01, with discussed amendments to the Road Department budget, with a deadline of September 1, 2021. **CARRIED**

Councillor Evoy informed that the Bar River Hall Committee will be supplying a report on the state of the hall and repairs needed.

ON MOTION (No. 68-21) of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Frank Turco that Council approves the Recreation Committee endorsement of the Bar River Hall committees request to apply for the NOHFC Rural Enhancement Funding Stream grant, as discussed. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 69-21) of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Frank Turco that Council approves LFMB and Wharf sub committees to apply for Covid-19 Healthy Communities Initiative, as discussed. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 70-21) of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Frank Turco that Council approves donation to Dr. H.S. Trefry Memorial Centre in the amount of \$2,000.00 to assist with programs and services. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 71-21) of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Frank Turco that Council appoints Jo-Anne Entwistle to sit on the Laird Hall Committee. **CARRIED**

Declaration of Conflict of Interest.

ON MOTION (No. 72-21) of Todd Rydall, seconded by Frank Turco that Council awards the Lakeview Bridge Replacement Contract to North America Construction (1993) Ltd. At a total cost \$2,036,373.00, HST included.

Recorded vote requested by Councillor Turco

For Motion

Dick Beitz

Todd Rydall

Frank Turco

Against Motion

CARRIED

Discussed LaneShark and the townships bush hog. Roads Superintendent will investigate.

ON MOTION (No. 73-21) of Frank Turco, seconded by Todd Rydall that the next portion of the meeting be closed to the public to discuss a personal matter.

CARRIED

ON MOTION (No. 74-21) of Todd Rydall, seconded by Shawn Evoy that Council return to open meeting. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 75-21) of Todd Rydall, seconded by Shawn Evoy that Council hires Vasco Dias as grounds manager, effective May 1, 2021 until November 15, 2021. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 76-21) of Todd Rydall, seconded by Shawn Evoy that Council acknowledges Phyllis MacKay's 44 years of service and her last official council meeting as Clerk-Treasurer. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 77-21) of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Todd Rydall that Council meeting be adjourned at 9:26 p.m. **CARRIED**

Mayor –

Clerk –