

MINUTES OF AGENDA NUMBER 40, OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LAIRD, HELD ON OCTOBER 21, 2021, HELD IN PERSON AT THE LAIRD HALL.

Present:	<i>Mayor:</i>	Dick Beitz
	<i>Councillors:</i>	Todd Rydall Shawn Evoy Ed Lapish
Absent:		Frank Turco
	<i>Acting Clerk:</i>	Jennifer Errington
	<i>Road Superintendent:</i>	Absent
	Delegation:	David Euler
	Guests:	Steve Zimmerman

ON MOTION (No. 174-21) of Todd Rydall, seconded by Ed Lapish that Council approves Council minutes of September 16, and recreation committee minutes of September 28, 2021, as presented. **CARRIED**

Sault Naturalists Club President David Euler spoke to Council about the bird viewing station located on Pumpkin Point Road West. The club feels that there are only a few years of life left in the current station and asked for ideas from Council on construction and for assistance for looking for grants. It was consensus of Council to have the Acting Clerk to keep any eye out for any future grants and to speak with the Chief Building Official about this project.

ON MOTION (No. 175-21) of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Ed Lapish that Council approves general accounts to October 21, 2021, as presented in the amount of \$4,328.39. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 176-21) of Todd Rydall, seconded by Shawn Evoy that Council approves roads accounts to September 30, 2021 in the amount of \$40,170.47, as presented. **CARRIED**

Council discussed Laird Fairground Report as presented. Council requested that the Treasurer attend the next meeting to provide a report on the budget that was prepared for a recent grant.

ON MOTION (No. 177-21) of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Ed Lapish that Council uses the Re-opening Fund to relieve Laird International Raceway of part of its 2021 lease payment, in the amount of \$19,000.00 with the stipulation that the vehicles be removed and site cleaned up by year end, as discussed. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 178-21) of Todd Rydall, seconded by Ed Lapish that Council requests that the property owners of 4907/4915 Highway 17 E be notified that a C-can cannot be placed in the Hamlet Zone and to let them know that an art gallery would be considered a similar use. **CARRIED**

Council discussed the letter dated September 20, 2021. It was consensus of Council to have the Acting Clerk reach out to the Ministry of Natural Resources and the Ministry of Ocean and Fisheries to find out what can be done about Black Creek drainage concerns and see if an onsite meeting can be set up.

ON MOTION (No. 179-21) of Ed Lapish, seconded by Todd Rydall that Council approves the next portion of the meeting to be closed to the public to discuss a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board, a personal matter about an identifiable individual, including municipal employees, and labour relations or employee negotiations. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 180-21) of Ed Lapish, seconded by Todd Rydall that Council returns to open meeting. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 181-21) of Ed Lapish, seconded by Todd Rydall that Council approves quote of Ironside Consulting for job evaluation review and policy development. **CARRIED**

ON MOTION (No. 182-21) of Ed Lapish, seconded by Todd Rydall that Council meeting be adjourned at 9:59 p.m. **CARRIED**

Mayor –

Acting Clerk –