

**MINUTES OF AGENDA NUMBER 41, OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LAIRD, HELD ON NOVEMBER 18, 2021, HELD IN PERSON AT THE LAIRD HALL.**

Present:	<i>Mayor:</i>	Dick Beitz
	<i>Councillors:</i>	Frank Turco
		Shawn Evoy
		Ed Lapish
Absent:		Todd Rydall
	<i>Acting Clerk:</i>	Jennifer Errington
	<i>Road Superintendent:</i>	David Polari
Treasurer:		Rhonda Crozier

**ON MOTION (No. 183-21)** of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Ed Lapish that Council approves Council minutes of October 21, and recreation committee minutes of October 26, 2021, as presented. **CARRIED**

The Mayor Beitz asked if there were any questions for the Roads Superintendent. Council did not have questions at this time, they did comment that they were pleased with the ditching this year.

Councillor Evoy reported on the paving around the Lakeview Bridge and that the bridge should be open very soon. Councillor Evoy reported on the rink progress stating that a pile of dirt at the rink needed to be pushed up on the septic bed and asked if the Roads Superintendent could assist with this. Councillor Evoy and Roads Superintendent will meet at the Rink to discuss further.

**ON MOTION (No. 184-21)** of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Frank Turco that Council approves general accounts to October 21, 2021, as presented in the amount of \$4,328.39. **CARRIED**

**ON MOTION (No. 185-21)** of Frank Turco, seconded by Ed Lapish that Council approves roads accounts to October 31, 2021 in the amount of \$23,598.46, as presented. **CARRIED**

Treasurer spoke to Laird Fairground's budget. It was consensus not to make any decisions about the fairgrounds until a committee is established.

**ON MOTION (No. 186-21)** of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Frank Turco that further to Motion 177-21, Council is of the opinion that the stipulations have not been fulfilled and requires all vehicles, including buses, and site to be cleaned up by year end in order for motion 177-21 to stand. **CARRIED**

It was consensus of Council to keep Halls open at this time and to have Clerk amend language of Rental Agreement for halls, putting stronger language with regards to the renter's obligations.

**ON MOTION (No. 187-21)** of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Ed Lapish that Council approves consent application L2021-23 for a severance, as presented. **CARRIED**

**ON MOTION (No. 188-21)** of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Ed Lapish that Council approves consent application L2021-24 for a severance, as present. **CARRIED**

**ON MOTION (No. 189-21)** of Ed Lapish, seconded by Shawn Evoy that Council approves closing of administrative office from December 24 to December 31, 2021 inclusive. **CARRIED**

It was consensus of Council to provide gift cards to staff in lieu of traditional annual staff dinner in light of Covid-19 restrictions.

Agenda item 5. d) *CUPE – Request for Independent Review of OMERS’ Investment Performance* was tabled.

Proposed By-law amendment to Schedule “B” Contract Agreement to By-law 956-14 was discussed. It was consensus of Council to not pass this amendment at this time, as Council is not in favour of a retainer and encourages By-law officer to invoice for all of his time.

**ON MOTION (No. 190-21)** of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Ed Lapish that Council approves Assessment Review Board award on Roll #4-19108 be applied to tax account, as per request of land owner. **CARRIED**

**ON MOTION (No. 191-21)** of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Frank Turco that Council requests to have Clerk draft up a By-law for a four way/all stop at Lakeview Road and Riverside Road to be discussed at next Council meeting. **CARRIED**

It was the consensus of Council to put in the December newsletter that Council is considering reducing the speed limit to 60 km for the entire municipality along with implementing Community Safety Zones for the Hamlets located in Bar River and Pumpkin Point Road along with Finns’ Bay Road North and Nebbish Road.

**ON MOTION (No. 192-21)** of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Ed Lapish that Council approves the next portion of the meeting to be closed to the public to discuss a personal matter about an identifiable individual, including municipal employees. **CARRIED**

**ON MOTION (No. 193-21)** of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Ed Lapish that Council returns to open meeting. **CARRIED**

**ON MOTION (No. 194-21)** of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Ed Lapish that Council accepts the resignation letter from Randy Booth, Municipal Trapper with regrets and thank him for his years of service to our community. **CARRIED**

**ON MOTION (No. 195-21)** of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Ed Lapish that Council appoints Dan Rowlinson as township trapper, and accepts his fees as outlined in November 15, 2021 correspondence. **CARRIED**

**ON MOTION (No. 196-21)** of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Frank Turco that Council meeting be adjourned at 9:36 p.m. **CARRIED**

Mayor –

Acting Clerk –