

**MINUTES OF AGENDA NUMBER 56, OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LAIRD, HELD ON OCTOBER 20, 2022, AT THE LAIRD TOWNSHIP OFFICE AT 6:00 P.M.**

Present: *Mayor:* Dick Beitz  
*Councilors:* Shawn Evoy  
 Frank Turco  
 Todd Rydall  
*Road Superintendent:* David Pollari  
*Clerk:* Jennifer Errington  
*Guests:* Phyllis MacKay

**ON MOTION (No. 151-22)** of Frank Turco, seconded by Todd Rydall that Council approves Council minutes of September 15 and September 28, and the recreation committee minutes of September 27, 2022, as presented. **CARRIED**

**ON MOTION (No. 153-22)** of Todd Rydall, seconded by Shawn Evoy that Council approves general accounts to October 20, 2022, as presented in the amount of \$13,296.78. **CARRIED**

**ON MOTION (No. 153-22)** of Frank Turco, seconded by Todd Rydall that Council approves road accounts to September 30, 2022, in the amount of \$188,456.05, as presented. **CARRIED**

**Staff and Committee Reports**

**a) Roads Superintendent (Roads, Waste Disposal & Recycling & Maintenance)**

- i. Council Q&A
- ii. Ditching Update
  - Held up on locates
  - Follow up on the Black Creek application with Ministry, and communicate the process with neighboring properties.
- iii. Ditching complaint/inquiry Cloudy Lake Road
  - Reported that 188 meters could use a clean-out.
  - Discussed putting Cloudy Lake Road on the 2023 ditching program.
  - Cloudy Lake road requires gravel.

**ON MOTION (No. 154-22)** of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Frank Turco that Council approves ditching of 188 meter portion of Cloudy Lake Road that requires attention this year, and next year Cloudy Lake Road will be put on the ditching program for 2023, as discussed. **CARRIED**

**b) Clerk Administrator, Deputy Treasurer**

- i. RIDE Grant Application
  - Application submitted.
- ii. Christmas Closure Request
  - Clerk reported that the Christmas Closure Request has an amendment, the Waste Disposal Site staff would like to work normal hours on December 24 and 31.
  - If it is quiet on those days the Waste Disposal Site attendant could close early if they wish.

**ON MOTION (No. 155-22)** of Todd Rydall, seconded by Frank Turco be it resolved that the report from the Clerk regarding Christmas Closures be received; and that Council authorizes the closure of the municipal office from the close of business on Friday, December 23 until 9 a.m. on Tuesday, January 3, 2023. The Waste Disposal Site will open during normal hours on Saturday, December 24 and 31 until 5 p.m. as per the revised request by staff. **CARRIED**

- c) Treasurer's Report
- d) Recreation Committee & Recreation Sub-Committees
- e) Cemetery Board
- f) Planning Board
- g) Police Services Board
- h) Algoma District Services Administrative Board
- i) Algoma District Municipal Association

Agenda item A. 5. a) *1064-22 LIR Lease Agreement* was discussed. The Clerk reported that the agreement has not been signed by LIR and that LIR legal counsel indicated that there may be a few amendments. Matter will be placed on the next Agenda for approval.

**ON MOTION (No. 156-22)** of Todd Rydall, seconded by Shawn Evoy that Council approves the Government Road Culvert Replacement tender of Brian Cameron Trucking & Excavation in the amount of \$85,933.60 plus HST, as presented, work to begin lake spring 2023. **CARRIED**

Agenda item A. 7. a) *Planning: Notice of Application for Consent* was discussed. Council did not have any comments on the application.

**ON MOTION (No. 157-22)** of Todd Rydall, seconded by Shawn Evoy that Council would like to express its deepest sympathy to Cheryl Frenette and her family on the passing of former elected official Charles Frenette. Charles was a member of Council from 2000 to 2024. Council would like to honour Charles Frenette by making a donation in the amount of \$300.00 to Echo Bay Elks #535. **CARRIED**

Agenda item B. 2. B) *Concern/Information Log* was discussed. Council requested that all resolved matters can be removed from the list.

**ON MOTION (No. 158-22)** of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Todd Rydall that the next portion of the meeting be closed to the public to approve the Closed Meeting minutes of September 15, 2022. **CARRIED**

**ON MOTION (No. 159-22)** of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Todd Rydall that Council return to open meeting. **CARRIED**

**ON MOTION (No. 160-22)** of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Todd Rydall that Council would like to express recognition to Mayor Richard (Dick) Beitz. Council would like to thank Mayor Beitz for 35 years, 22 as Reeve/Mayor, of dedicated, faithful and thoughtful service to the Township of Laird, its residents, and staff. **CARRIED**

**ON MOTION (No. 161-22)** of Todd Rydall, seconded by Shawn Evoy Council adopts By-law 1065-22 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on October 20, 2022. **CARRIED**

**ON MOTION (No. 162-22)** of Shawn Evoy, seconded by Frank Turco that council meeting be adjourned at 8:09 p.m. **CARRIED**

Mayor – \_\_\_\_\_  
Richard (Dick) Beitz

Clerk – \_\_\_\_\_  
Jennifer Errington