

**REGULAR MINUTES – AGENDA 7**  
**CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LAIRD**  
**April 20, 2023, at 6:00 pm**  
**In-Person: Laird Township Boardroom Chambers**

Present: *Mayor:* Shawn Evoy  
*Councillors:* Matt Frolick, Todd Rydall, Wayne Junor,  
*Clerk:* Jennifer Errington  
*Road Superintendent:* David Pollari  
*Treasurer:* Rhonda Crozier  
*Delegates:* Michael Degilio and Andrea Mattioli

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**A. ACTION ITEMS**

**1. Consideration of Agenda**

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

#74-23

Moved by: Wayne Junor

Seconded by: Todd Rydall

“Be it resolved that Council hereby approves April 20, 2023, agenda presented.”

CARRIED

**2. Routine Matters**

- a) Approval of minutes of March 16, 2023, and special meeting minutes of April 13, 2023

#75-23

Moved by: Todd Rydall

Seconded by: Matt Frolick

“Be it resolved that Council approves Council Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 16, 2023, and the Special Meeting Minutes of April 13, 2023, as presented.”

CARRIED

- b) Approval of recreation minutes March 28, 2023

#76-23

Moved by: Todd Rydall

Seconded by: Wayne Junor

“Be it resolved that Council approves the Recreation Committee minutes of March 28, 2023, as presented.”

CARRIED

- c) Approval of general accounts to April 20, 2023

#77-23

Moved by: Todd Rydall

Seconded by: Matt Frolick

“Be it resolved that Council approves the general accounts to April 20, 2023, in the amount of \$62,082.97, as presented.” CARRIED

- d) Approval of roads accounts to March 31, 2023  
#78-23

Moved by: Matt Frolick

Seconded by: Wayne Junor

“Be it resolved that Council approves the road accounts to March 31, 2023, in the amount of \$48,253.98, as presented.” CARRIED

### **3. Delegations and Presentations**

- a) Algoma Power Inc., Annual Presentation
- i. 2023 Community Delegation Meeting Agenda
    - Michael Degilio, Supervisor Engineering and Andrea Mattioli Vegetation Management Coordinator of Algoma Power Inc. provided a presentation as per Agenda.

### **4. Staff and Committee Reports**

- a) Roads Superintendent (Roads, Waste Disposal & Recycling & Maintenance)
- i. Road Superintendent Report
    - Everything is good with spring runoff, no flooding
    - Focusing on Waste Disposal Site
    - Plow Equipment was removed on April 17, 2023
    - Collected quotes on a brusher, \$7,800.00 is the lowest, can proceed with the purchase as per Procurement policy.
    - Investigated pricing on a new plow truck, which would be \$400,000 range and things are getting better for order timeline.
  - ii. Council Q&A
  - iii. Road Tour – A few ratepayers have requested to be on the list.
    - Set date: Saturday, May 27, 2023, from 9 a.m. to 12:00 noon.
    - Reach out to all property owners on the 2023 – Road Tour list to let them know date.
    - David to provide a list of the areas he would like Council to visit.
  - iv. Black Creek – MNR Approval
    - Let neighboring property owners that were consulted for the MNR approval that we have MNR approval.
  - v. Tree Removal Riverside Road W. – Tender Recommendation  
#79-23  
Moved by: Todd Rydall  
Seconded by: Wayne Junor

“Be it resolved that Council approves the Tender of Jason Petch for Tree Removal Riverside Road West.” CARRIED

- b) Clerk Administrator, Deputy Treasurer
  - i. Clerk’s Report  
#80-23  
Moved by: Matt Frolick  
Seconded by: Wayne Junor  
“Be it resolved that the Clerk’s Report dated April 20, 2023, be received as presented and arising from the report; That Council sets Waste Disposal Site spring clean-up date for May 27 and 28, 2023.” CARRIED
  - ii. Council Q&A
- c) Treasurer’s Report
  - i. Tax Collection Report
    - Arrears in good shape.
    - Auditors coming 1<sup>st</sup> week of May
    - Budget to be put on website and pie chart in next newsletter.
- d) Recreation Committee & Recreation Sub-Committees
  - i. Heritage Sub-Committee Minutes March 23, 2023
  - ii. Fairgrounds Sub-Committee Minutes April 6, 2023  
#81-23  
Moved by: Todd Rydall  
Seconded by: Wayne Junor  
“Be it resolved that the Heritage Sub-Committee Minutes of March 23, 2023, and the Fairgrounds Sub-Committee Minutes of April 6, 2023, be received, as presented.” CARRIED
- e) Cemetery Board
- f) Planning Board
- g) Police Services Board
  - i. Police Service Board Minutes of March 20, 2023  
#82-23  
Moved by: Todd Rydall  
Seconded by: Wayne Junor  
“Be it resolved that the Police Board Minutes of March 30, 2023, be received as presented.” CARRIED
  - ii. OPP Online Reporting Tool
- h) Algoma District Services Administrative Board
- i) Algoma District Municipal Association

- i. AGENDA – Meeting Saturday, April 22, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at Elk’s Hall, 96 Church Street, Echo Bay, ON
  - Mayor and Clerk to attend.

## **5. By-laws**

- a) 1082-23 Final Tax Rates By-law  
#82-23  
Moved by: Matt Frolick  
Seconded by: Wayne Junor  
“Be it resolved that Council adopts By-law 1082-23 Final Tax Rates 2023 authorizing tax bills to be issued, as presented.” CARRIED
- b) 1083-23 Appointment of a By-law Enforcement Officer  
#83-23  
Moved by: Todd Rydall  
Seconded by: Wayne Junor  
“Be it resolved that Council adopts By-law 1083-23, being a by-law to appoint a By-law Enforcement Officer, as presented.” CARRIED

## **6. Business Arising out of Discussion**

- a) Final Budget 2023 – Passed April 13, 2023  
#84-23  
Moved by: Matt Frolick  
Seconded by: Wayne Junor  
“Be it resolved that Council receives the Final Budget 2023, passed at April 13, 2023, council meeting, as presented with modifications to remove working notes and highlighting.” CARRIED
- b) Memo: Integrity Commissioner Information  
#85-23  
Moved by: Todd Rydall  
Seconded by: Wayne Junor  
“Be it resolved that Council receives the Memorandum: Report of the Integrity Commissioner as presented.” CARRIED

## **7. New Business**

- a) Memorandum: Report of the Integrity Commissioner  
#86-23  
Moved by: Todd Rydall  
Seconded by: Wayne Junor  
“Be it resolved that Council receives the Memo: Integrity Commissioner Information as presented.” CARRIED

- b) Support Resolution, Town of Essex, regarding the reinstatement of legislation permitting a Municipality to retain surplus proceeds from Tax Sales.  
#87-23  
Moved by: Todd Rydall  
Seconded by: Matt Frolick  
“Be it resolved that Council supports the Town of Essex regarding Municipalities Retaining Surplus Proceeds from Tax Sales.” CARRIED
- c) Support Resolution, Chatham-Kent, regarding reducing municipal insurance costs  
#88-23  
Moved by: Todd Rydall  
Seconded by: Matt Frolick  
“Be it resolved that Council supports the Municipality of Chatham-Kent regarding Reducing Municipal Insurance Costs.” CARRIED
- d) Credit card request to pay taxes  
#89-23  
Moved by: Matt Frolick  
Seconded by: Wayne Junor  
“Be it resolved that Council requests the Treasurer to investigate Credit Cards as a means of payment for municipal taxes and provide a report.” CARRIED
- e) Notice of Motion: Investment Policy and request to the Treasurer for reserve investment strategy and recommendations  
#90-23  
Moved by: Matt Frolick  
Seconded by: Wayne Junor  
“Be it resolved that Council requests the Treasurer to provide a report on Investments, it is requested that the report include high-level synopsis of municipal investment legislation, recommendations on an investment strategy and policy, the policy would include quarterly reports to Council on investment performance.” CARRIED
- f) Zoning Amendment – Approval in principle  
#91-23  
Moved by: Todd Rydall  
Seconded by: Matt Frolick  
“Be it resolved that Council has received the proposed Zoning Amendment for Plan 323, Pt Blk B RP 1R10680 1 & 4 and approves the Zoning Amendment in principle with advice on possible implications of agriculture description.” CARRIED

## **B. INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS**

**1. Communications and Correspondence**

- a) Modernization initiatives in Ontario's Provincial Offences Act (POA) courts – March 24, 2023
- b) Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility – 2023 Ontario Senior of the Year Award
- c) Children's Perch Derby – Thank you – March 21, 2023
- d) Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing – New Province-wide planning policy document – April 6, 2023

**2. Council Information**

- a) Task Summary Sheet & Recent Activity Log
- b) Concern/Information Log – Updates

**3. Council Meetings**

- a) Regular Council Meeting – May 18, 2023

**C. CLOSED MEETING**

#92-23

Moved by: Wayne Junor

Seconded by: Matt Frolick

“Be it resolved that Council proceed into closed session at 8:19 p.m. in accordance with Section 239 (2) (b) of the Municipal Act in order to discuss personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.”

CARRIED

**D. RETURN TO OPEN MEETING**

#93-23

Moved by: Wayne Junor

Seconded by: Matt Frolick

“Be it resolved that Council come out of closed meeting session at 8:27 p.m. and continue with Regular Council Meeting.”

CARRIED

**E. CONFORMITY BY-LAW**

#94-23

Moved by: Todd Rydall

Seconded by: Matt Frolick

“Be it resolved that Council adopts By-law 1084-23 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the meeting of Council held on April 20, 2023.”

CARRIED

**F. ADJOURNMENT**

#95-23

Moved by: Matt Frolick

Seconded by: Wayne Junor

“Be it resolved that the Regular Council meeting be adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor – \_\_\_\_\_  
Shawn Evoy

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