



**LOCAL SERVICES BOARD OF LORING, PORT LORING AND DISTRICT**  
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**Minutes of Board Meeting May 26, 2016**

The minutes can also be viewed on our website: [www.loringsb.com](http://www.loringsb.com)

**Attending:**

Mike Buchanan, Steve Davis and Peggy Whitehead

**Absent:** Darrell Rogerson, Hilary Chambers and Julia Moore

**ACRONYMS**

Ministry of Finance (**MOF**), Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (**MPAC**), Local Services Board (**LSB**), Provincial Land Tax (**PLT**), Standard Operating Procedure (**SOP**), Activity Centre (**AC**), Argyle Community Centre (**ACC**), Argyle Heritage Celebration (**AHC**), Conflict of Interest (**COI**), Ministry of Natural Resources (**MNR**)

Since the Board did not have a quorum for this meeting the Board just discussed new correspondence.

**Correspondence**

1. Donations from Caisse Populaire for \$100.00 towards summer program and TaiChi was \$50.00 donated to the ACC.

**Action Required:** None

2. CERB report for April 2016

**Action Required:** None

3. Proxy vote for Workplace Safety & Prevention Services Annual General Meeting June 21, 2016.

**Action Required:** None

4. Email from a lawyer asking for property tax information.

**Action Required:** Told him to contact MOF.

5. Email from Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport for public library service awards 2016, submission by July 29, 2016.

**Action Required:** Forward to the Library.

6. Julia sent an email commenting on Mike's response to the Lions and she said the recreation committee did not negotiate with any of the Lions and the glass case belongs to the Lions. Another email received May 26<sup>th</sup> with two letters received from the Lions from February 12 and May 26<sup>th</sup>. (attached)

**Action Required:** Mike will look into this.

7. Water test for the ACC on May 18<sup>th</sup> and it passed.

**Action Required:** None

8. Library minutes of April 14, 2016.

**Action Required:** None

9. 2 emails asking about 911 signs and 2 people checking on signs that they have paid for.

**Action Required:** I told them it will be the beginning of July.

10. Joey Desharmais will be having soccer for kids in July and August.

**Action Required:** None

11. A phone call trying to get a phone installed.

**Action Required:** None

12. A phone call from Bell checking on an address.

**Action Required:** I let them know that the number was not a good number.

13. Someone is doing an appraisal on a property and looking for zoning information.

**Action Required:** Mike said for them to contact John Hyatt from MPAC.

14. Letter from the PLT Review regarding exempt properties.

**Action Required:** None

15. Email saying they are concerned over no cell service and asking who to contact.

**Action Required:** Mike said for them to contact their cell service provider.

16. Fire Department asked if we could go back to having our meetings on the third Thursday of the month.

**Action Required:** We will try.

7:24 p.m. adjourned.

**Next meeting will be on Thursday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.**

Prepared By

*Peggy Whitehead*

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Secretary/Treasurer

Posted on June 1, 2016

February 12, 2016

Attention: Local Service Board of Loring, Port Loring & Area

The Argyle Lions Club members are in receipt of your proposed Argyle Community Centre Use Agreement. After careful consideration, the Lion members are in total agreement that your proposal cannot be accepted as originally stipulated.

The Argyle Lions Club, (and all Lions Clubs), are a service club, with a mandate to help those less fortunate, locally, throughout our province, country and worldwide. To accomplish this, profits from fundraisers are to be used; giving back to the people in need and not used for personal or club gain.

For 64 years, this Argyle Lions Club has strived to fulfill its obligations to this Argyle area, doing a first rate job. And, as you know, the Argyle Lions worked tirelessly to keep the community centre building available for the community; many organizations were allowed to use the facility for free, while the Lions maintained the upkeep. The increases of property taxes, insurance, utilities and repairs proved to overshadow the proceeds from fundraising, defeating the Lions' purpose to aid those in need. The Argyle Lions made a decision to offer the community centre to the LSB for \$1.00, prior to placing it on the open market.

The Local Service Board of Loring, Port Loring, and the area residents, at a public meeting, accepted the acquisition proposal and the Argyle Lions' use agreement. This seemed like a win-win situation for all. The LSB acquired the property for the community, and the Lions were allowed to still use the community centre for fundraising events, dates noted, for free. It was understood and agreed that dates, other than those noted, would have LSB rental rates applied.

The Argyle Lions Club sincerely appreciated and expected the above practice to continue throughout the coming years, but have been greatly disappointed by this unexpected use agreement proposal.

At this time, the Argyle Lions are still paying on the loan that was acquired to pay lawyer fees for the \$1.00 sale of the community centre to the LSB! 2

Therefore, in response to the LSB use agreement proposal, the Lions members wish to submit the following changes:

*"...The agreement dates require revision..."*

*Replace the wording of the fourth paragraph to read: "As consideration for the use of the facility, the Lessee shall pay to the Lessor the amount of \$00000 (zero dollars)." Delete the next sentence and change to read:*

*"This amount provides for the following access:*

*--use of the Lions' Club bar area (as coordinated through the ACC Booking Clerk)*

*--per fundraising events at the ACC (as coordinated through the ACC Booking Clerk), pay to the LSB rental that amounts to 10% (10 percent) of the net profit (actual dates to be determined and confirmed with the ACC Booking Clerk)*

*--per fundraising event at the ACC, (as coordinated through the ACC Booking Clerk), if the kitchen is used, pay to the LSB the \$50 fee for kitchen use*

*--use the ACC for meetings twice per month (as coordinated through the ACC Booking Clerk)"*

*The line "Additional use, other than what is outlined above remains the same" as will the rest of the use agreement..."*

We trust these above changes in the use agreement between the Argyle Lions Club and the LSB will meet with your approval.

The Argyle Lions Club members await your reply at your earliest convenience.

Argyle Lions Club,

**Lion Julia Moore, Secretary.**



May 26, 2016

**ARGYLE LIONS CLUB**  
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Dear Mr. Mike Buchanan, Recreation Chair:

The Argyle Lions are responding to your letter dated May 9, posted with the minutes on the web site. Our Club has not received this correspondence as of this date.

I am enclosing a copy of a letter to the LSB of February 12, 2016, with our proposal regarding the community centre use agreement. It had been mailed by regular post as well as emailed.

You did not reply, nor did neither you nor anyone of the Committee, invite any member from the Lions Club to your negotiation table. This being the case, we do not understand why you are telling the public that you "were unable to negotiate a lease arrangement that would have made such a large move/change unnecessary". Our enclosed letter of Feb, 12 shows that the Lions members were open to negotiation.

The Argyle members were certainly disappointed to receive the Argyle Community Centre Use Agreement, dated, amounts prefilled, and signed by you, representing the Recreation Committee. And, disappointing to read that you claim the decision rested with the Lions Club only. Your committee did not negotiate, it tried to dictate.

NEGOTIATION: mutual discussion aiming at agreement

AGREEMENT: an arrangement that is accepted by all parties to a transaction

The Argyle Lions regret that this whole situation has come to this impasse. However, should you wish to arrange for a meeting with our Lions representatives we would be available at your convenience.

Yours in Lionism,  
Lion Julia Moore, sec.

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