

Local Services Board of Tilden Lake

46 Village Drive, Tilden Lake, Ontario, P0H 2K0

Date: June 24th 2025

Location: Tilden Lake Community Centre

Present: Fiona Venedam, Rick Banting, Barb Carruthers, Marie Lochhead, Brenda Haines

Regrets: Arthur Shrum

Community: Denis Graveline, Janice Graveline

Call to Order: 5:57 pm

1. Conflicts: To be noted as they arise.

2. Minutes from previous Meeting:

The minutes of May 15th 2025 meeting were circulated via email prior to the meeting. Fiona Venedam motioned to accept, seconded by Rick Banting. Carried.

3. Business Arising from Minutes:

- I. **Job Descriptions:** October 2025.
- II. **Firefighter Identification:** Approval required prior to printing. Brenda will send pictures to each firefighter for approval.
- III. **Fire Department Team Property Book:** Defer, ongoing.

4. Financial Report: Financial reports presented by Brenda Haines, Secretary/Treasurer

The financial reports are distributed via email prior to the meeting by Brenda Haines to all board members for review.

5. Proposed Policies, Bylaws, Motions and Tenders:

- By-Law 03-2025 Being a by-law to approve a Lawn Maintenance contract. The by-law was signed.
- By-Law 04-2025 Being a by-law to approve the 2024-2025 interim budget report. The by-law was signed.

6. Chair Report: (Fiona Venedam)

- MTO- (Ministry of Transportation). Received a response from the MTO that no further clearing would be done until the fall. Fiona Venedam will follow-up in the fall.
- Community Emergency Preparedness Grant- Progressing on schedule. Fiona Venedam submitted mid-term report to Donovan Gentles.
- The National Volunteer Fire Council Grant- Fiona Venedam started the application. To be eligible for the grant, membership is required. Rick Banting has agreed to become a member. Fiona Venedam will submit membership application on behalf of Rick Banting.
- Rural Ontario Development (ROD)- Fiona Venedam received correspondence from Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs regarding the Rural Ontario Development Program (ROD). They are now accepting registrations for the upcoming webinar. Fiona has signed up for July 8th.
- Intact Insurance Barb Carruthers will review our policy and provide comments at July or August board meeting. Brenda Haines was asked to send Sue from NFP an email requesting any possible increases.

7. Secretary Report: (Brenda Haines)

- No current WSIB claims.
- By-Law 03-2025 Being a by-law to approve a Lawn Maintenance contract tender amount was incorrect, corrections have been made. .
- Received signed contract for Lawn Maintenance from Denis Graveline
- TPON (Transfer Payment Ontario) - Uploaded June 4th 2025.
- Scotiabank- emailed Scotiabank advisor Joshin on May 26th regarding difference in GIC rate. Joshin replied on May 27th he will speak to the branch manager to see if we will be able to get the 3.00% as promised. 3.00% rate approved email received and document signed on June 8th 2025. Fiona to sign copy and Brenda will drop off at the branch.
- Invoice from Kendall Chartered Professional Accountants was received and the payment has been mailed on May 29th 2025.
- Intact Insurance - An email was received regarding the amended property summary coverage. There is no change in the premium. The information has been emailed to all board members for their review.
- Sage Accounting – Posting errors were corrected.
- Astrid Steele presentation on Logging in the Tilden Lake Area, is available on the web site for the community for review.
- Firefighter's honorariums rate will increase to \$17.60 per hour, effective October 1st 2025.

8. LSB Committee Reports:

8.1 Fire Protection: (Rick Banting)

- There were 4 fire practices in May. On Saturday May 3 an extra practice was held to accommodate members that have work commitments during week nights. Operating procedures, standards and donning a breathing apparatus was reviewed with two members. On the 7th thirteen members practiced operating the Wajax portable forest fire pump and adding hose lengths to a charged line. The team also changed the batteries in all the Breathing Apparatus and changed out the winter equipment to summer equipment on the trucks. On the 14th the team discussed the upcoming car wash and practiced a fire suppression exercise at the Tilden Lake boat launch. On May 21st a fire suppression exercise was carried out at the MTO picnic grounds.
- There were no injuries or emergency calls in May.
- The department will be moving to 2 evening practices on the first and third Wednesdays of the month and one Saturday practice, starting in July 2025. The Saturday practice is primarily for those firefighters who have missed a practice.
- The fire trucks will be taken in for annual safety inspections during the summer.
- There have been no discussions to date with the Marten River Fire Department regarding compensation for mutual aid.
- It was noted the replacing outside HPS lights to LED's was still outstanding. Fiona asked if we could get an estimate to the cost. Rick Banting agreed to price.
- Rick Banting advised everyone that Tom Steele would become a Captain of the TLVFD on July 1st 2025.

8.2 Property: (Barb Carruthers)

- Denis Graveline has completed replacing the flushing mechanisms in all three toilets.
- Door codes has been changed. The option of using key fobs for the doors was explored, but the cost of providing the necessary number of fobs would be too costly. It was agreed only board members and Denis Graveline would have the code.
- Gord Copeland fixed the broken bulletin board door. Extra hooks have been added.
- Denis Graveline has advised the board the table used for the Firemen's picnic is rotten. Fiona Venedam will donate the wood to replace the top.
- Denis Graveline will purchase new plywood to protect the generator during the winter months.
- Pickle ball courts and horse shoe pits ready for use.
- Wine fundraiser raised \$763.36.
- Denis Graveline to purchase new lock for shed.

8.3 Recreation: (Marie Lochhead)

- **Line dancing by Denise Cote**- Total donation received \$200.00. Fall session to be announced.
- **Wine Fundraiser**- Total fundraising received \$ 763.36.
- **Breakfast and Car wash**- Total donations- \$793.20 (breakfast: \$372.00/car wash \$150.00/donations \$271.20).
- **Breakfast and Bingo**- hosted by TLCA Sunday July 6th 2025. 9:00- 12:00 am Breakfast \$12.00. Bingo games \$2.00 and \$5.00. Prizes for games #1- 9 donations. Game #10 - 50/50 jackpot. Snacks will be available for purchase during bingo breaks.

Upcoming events and programs:

Tilden Lake Boat Poker Run- August 23rd 2025.

Fireman's Picnic- August 9th 2025.

Saving Seeds- Harvest and store seeds hosted by Anne Dockendoff. August 17th 2025.

Christmas evergreen porch pots- To be announced.

ATV Run- To be announced.

Halloween Kids drop - Sunday October 26th 2025.

Christmas Dinner- To be announced.

8.4 Emergency Services: (Arthur Shrum)

- Nothing to report.

9. New Business:

- Elections- September 9th 2025.

10. Next Meeting: July 15th 2025 6:00pm

Meeting Adjourned: 7:03pm