

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF COUNCIL  
AS HELD ON MAY 10, 2004 @ 7:00 p.m.**

**Present: Mayor Rick Suy, Councillor Peter Davies, Councillor Gerry Remillard, Councillor Mac Hamilton and Councillor Larry Anderson.**

**Staff: Deputy Clerk Treasurer Kathy Ketchabaw**

**Also present: Gord Tokaryk - Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Larry Anderson and Mac Hamilton, Ratepayers and other ratepayers of the Town of Latchford.**

1. Moved by Councillor Peter Davies, seconded by Councillor Gerry Remillard.

That the minutes of the meetings of Council as held on the 4th of May, 2004 be adopted as read and distributed by the clerk.

Carried

2. Moved by Councillor Peter Davies, seconded by Councillor Gerry Remillard.

That the Agenda for the Council meeting be adopted as read and circulated by the Clerk.

Carried.

3. Moved by Councillor Larry Anderson, Seconded by Councillor Gerry Remillard.

Be it resolved that Council for the Corporation of the Town of Latchford continues with the previous agreement for 911 and Fire Dispatch Service with the with Temiskaming Shores Police Service.

Carried.

4. Moved by Councillor Peter Davies, Seconded by Councillor Mac Hamilton.

Be it resolved that Council for the Corporation of the Town of Latchford submits that the Mayor, Rick Suy, represents the ward on the DTSSAB Board.

Carried.

5. Moved by Councillor Gerry Remillard, Seconded by Councillor Larry Anderson.

Be it resolved that Council for the Corporation of the Town of Latchford makes a drop box available to residents of Latchford at the Town Office.

Carried.

6. Moved by Councillor Peter Davies, Seconded by Councillor Mac Hamilton.

That Council defers the correspondence under the heading A. Letters Sent - Fax to Ministry of Tourism, Culture & Recreation, SCTP to May 11, 2004 @ 9:00 a.m. at the Town Office.

Carried.

7. Moved by Councillor Mac Hamilton, Seconded by Councillor Peter Davies.

That Council defers the correspondence as listed under the heading B. Letters Received (Action) the item pertaining to the Town of Cobalt resolution re Hwy. # 11 to Dalton McGuinty to the next regular council meeting.

Carried.

8. Moved by Councillor Gerry Remillard, Seconded by Councillor Peter Davies.

Whereas the cold winter climate in the Province of Ontario necessitates a source of heat in dwelling places and

Whereas electricity is required in most homes to provide that heat and

Whereas the disconnection of electricity in the winter can result in a loss of heat and subsequent serious consequences for the health and well being of Ontario citizens and possible loss of life.

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Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Town of Latchford requests Premier McGuinty and Dwight Duncan, Energy Minister, to take immediate steps to permanently reinstate the prohibition on the disconnection of electricity in the winter by Hydro One, put in place by the previous provincial government.

Carried.

- 9 Moved by Councillor Larry Anderson, Seconded by Councillor Gerry Remillard.

Be it resolved that Council for the Corporation of the Town of Latchford defer the letter from Transport Canada re application for approval of a dam and the correspondence from Gord Lomax to the next regular council meeting.

Carried.

10. Moved by Councillor Peter Davies, Seconded by Councillor Gerry Remillard.

Whereas Council for the Corporation of the Town of Latchford has the authority under the Municipal Act 2001, c.25, s.312 (4) to levy a special local municipal charge,

And Whereas Council for the Corporation of the Town of Latchford has determined the water and sewage charges for 2004 be as follows:

Water	\$460.69
Sewage	461.05
Frontage	26.40
Connection	5.58

and that the 2004 water and sewage bills be included with the tax bills with 1.25% interest being charged on all overdue accounts.

An interim bill will be sent out immediately with no interest charges applicable on the outstanding balances for 1 month from the date of issue.

Carried.

11. Moved by Councillor Peter Davies, Seconded by Councillor Mac Hamilton.

Be it resolved that Council for the Corporation of the Town of Latchford dismantle the old legion building located at 66 Sullivan Avenue by May 28, 2004. Any usable material will be made available to the local residents for a monetary donation to the Multi Purpose Building for a period of two weeks after the date of dismantling. The remaining material will then be transported to the land fill site.

Carried.

12. COMMITTEE REPORTS

**PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT (April, 2004)**

The Public Works Committee met on Wednesday, April 7, 2004.  
Present were: Lee Ketchabaw & Peter Davies.

A general inspection of the town roads and Water Plant was conducted. Nothing that required immediate action was observed.

Fred Keenan Centre: The thermostat in the library was replaced with a "smarter" version. Reports are that there has been an improvement in available heat during the times of operation.

Street Lights: Campsall Electric has been chosen as the contractor to conduct the replacement of defective street lights.

Street Sign Update: The new signs will go in as soon as the frost is out of the ground.

Wages Increases Update: Once the current problems with council have been dealt with, wage negotiations will be a priority.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL:

Fred Keenan Centre: That the council investigates cleaning up the building. Painting the trim and also sheeting in and painting the front of the building. This would also be an improvement in that it would reduce heat loss during the winter months.

FINANCE REPORT - May, 2004

The Finance Committee met on Thursday, May 6, 2004

Present were: Rick Suy, Gerry Remillard and Peter Davies.

The current state of the Town's finances was discussed.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL:

Water and Sewage Charges - That the water and sewage rate for 2004 be set at the same level as 2003. That the billing be changed from monthly to the same as the municipal tax levy. That it is to become a top priority for the finance committee to investigate ways in which the water and sewage rates for the year 2005 be substantially reduced from current levels.

Finance Reports - That the presentation of all the outstanding financial reports to council for approval be delayed until the outcome of all the audits has been received.

PUBLIC WORKS & INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT - May, 2004

The Public Works Committee met on Thursday, May 6, 2004.

Present were: Lee Ketchabaw, Gerry Remillard and Peter Davies.

A general inspection of the town roads and dump was conducted.

Street Lights - Campsall Electric has been working on the lighting, replacing and repairing defective street lights.

Street Sign Update - The new signs are now in place.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL:

Mitchell Street - That the town foreman improves the drainage on the west side of Mitchell Street and that the culvert is replaced.

Whipper Snipper - That the town foreman purchases a new gas powered trimmer to replace the current defective one.

13. Moved by Councillor Peter Davies, Seconded by Councillor Mac Hamilton.

That a 10:00 p.m. council agrees to move incamera to discuss sale and transfer of properties and personal issues.

Carried.

14. Moved by Councillor Gerry Remillard, Seconded by Councillor Larry Anderson.

That at 11:14 p.m. Council agrees to rise from incamera.

Carried.

15. Moved by Councillor Gerry Remillard, Seconded by Councillor Peter Davies.

Be it resolved that Council for the Corporation of the Town of Latchford recind Resolution # 7 as passed on May 4, 2004.

Carried.

16. Moved by Councillor Peter Davies, Seconded by Councillor Mac Hamilton.

Whereas Council for the Corporation of the Town of Latchford is in receipt of a request from Will and Francine Blowe to extend the date for completion with respect to Lot 26, being Parts 1 & 2, Plan 5548-C, to the summer of 2005.

Be it resolved that Council denies the request for extension as per the Agreement of Purchase and Sale.

Carried.

17. Moved by Councillor Peter Davies, Seconded by Councillor Gerry Remillard.

Be It Acknowledged That Council for the Corporation of the Town of Latchford gave Kathy Ketchabaw authorization to sign the Agreement of Purchase and Sale with respect to the sale of Lot 11, being part of Parcel 24083 South Section Temiskaming, Parts 31 & 32, Plan 5548-C to Lance Nethery and Elizabeth Nethery.

Carried.

18. Moved by Councillor Mac Hamilton, Seconded by Councillor Larry Anderson.

Be It Resolved That By-Law number 598/04, being a by-law regarding the sale of land, be given a first, second and third reading and finally passed by Council for the Corporation of the Town of Latchford.

Carried.

19. Moved by Councillor Larry Anderson, Seconded by Councillor Gerry Remillard.

Be It Resolved That Council for the Corporation of the Town of Latchford hereby gives Rick Suy and Kathy Ketchabaw authorization to sign the documentation as required to complete the transfer of property known as Part of Parcel 24083 South Section Temiskaming, being Lot 24, Parts 5 and 6, Plan 5548-C to Gerald Barron and Peggy Ann Barron.

Carried.

20. Moved by Councillor Gerry Remillard, Seconded by Councillor Mac Hamilton.

Be It Resolved That Council for the Corporation of the Town of Latchford hereby gives Rick Suy and Kathy Ketchabaw authorization to sign the documentation as required to complete the transfer of property known as Parcel 17488 South Section Temiskaming, being lot 392, Plan M-57 N.B. to Robert Godden, Jr. and Melissa Ruddy pending proof of payment in full of hydro bills.

Carried.

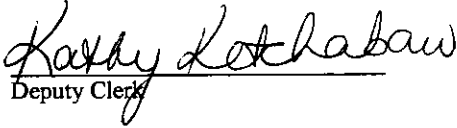
21. Moved by Councillor Larry Anderson, Seconded by Councillor Gerry Remillard.

That Council now adjourn until the next regular meeting or call from the Mayor.

Carried.

Dated at Latchford this 14<sup>th</sup> day  
of June, 2004

  
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Mayor

  
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Deputy Clerk