

**MINUTES FOR COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY, November 9th, 2005, 7:00 p.m.**

1. Call to order and mayoral comments.

Mayor Peter Davies called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Present: Peter Davies, Gerry Remillard, Larry Anderson, Mac Hamilton, LillieMay Matton

Staff: Lise McKeever – Municipal Secretary/Deputy Clerk Treasurer

Absent: None

There were approximately 12 people in attendance.

Res. No.: 05/265

Moved By: L. Anderson

Seconded By: LillieMay Matton

Be it resolved that Lise McKeever be assigned the Duty of Clerk for the Corporation of the Town of Latchford. Gerry Remillard abstained from discussion and did not vote.

CARRIED.

2. Adoption of the agenda as circulated.

Res. No.: 05/266

Moved By: G. Remillard

Seconded By: L. Anderson

Be it resolved that the Agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

3. Declaration of pecuniary interest/conflict of interest. Gerry Remillard & LillieMay Matton may have a conflict.

4. Adoption of the minutes of the meeting of Council as held on October 12th, 2005

Res. No.: 05/267

Moved By: M. Hamilton

Seconded By: G. Remillard

Be it resolved that the minutes of Council as held on October 26th, 2005 be adopted as read, and circulated by the Clerk.

CARRIED.

5. Delegations

****Presentation to Rick Suy****

6. Council Committee Reports/Clerks Report.

Councillor Larry Anderson

- Community Policing meeting – Monday Nov. 14, 2005
- Had a meeting with Lee – if there are any problems with the roads give Larry a call
- Has not met with Fire Dept., they have been too busy.

Councillor Gerry Remillard

- Had a meeting with Dr. Hardie, she received the contract – It had no appendix & a few minor errors – she sent it back to Ministry to fix. Should have it back within a week and a half. This is a 3 year contract.
- Met with MMAH last week. They had been contacted by the Ratepayers Association in regards to the budget & annexation. The Ratepayers should be contacting us with their opinions – not MMAH. We are open to meet with anyone.
- Letter to ONR re: property sale see attached #2

Councillor Mac Hamilton

(1) Tourism Advisor Request to MNDM: Letter of July 11, 2005

- No response as yet to our letter
- However, MNDM are holding a workshop based on our letter – re: Tourism development on Nov. 22, 2005 – Mac will attend this meeting

(2) Latchford Real Estate Promotion:

- On going – there is some interest continuing

(3) Gillies Limit (South) Annexation:

- Meeting held in Sudbury last week
- Some minor work to complete – All optimistic

(4) ONR Bridge:

- No response to our letter of mid-September
- Staff to follow-up with a phone call – See letter from Mario Benedetto

(5) Municipal Building:

- Paving delayed due to weather
- Significant progress Re: park facility construction

(6) Latchford Museum:

- Trillium Foundation application and information downloaded by Diane Remillard with our thanks.
- We will now start the process to obtain funding for year 2006.

Councillor LillieMay Matton

(1) Recreation:

- At the meeting it was discussed that the community events for teenagers such as a game night.
- Planned for Santa Train
- Looking for more people to join Rec. If there are more people, they could have more events
- Purchase a bus perhaps to get teenagers to dances or movies or take the seniors to town to do shopping
- Next meeting is Nov. 22, 2005
- Try to get the ice rink going in December for the holidays

(2) Public Library:

- LillieMay is on the board
- In the process of applying for grants
- Would like to see a better heating system
- Getting more of the public coming in
- Trying to get a drop off box for returning movies

Anthony Rota Meet and Greet on Saturday November 12, 2005

Mayor Peter Davies

- Meeting in Sudbury with MMAH last week. Ken Boal & auditor went also. The agenda was to speak about annexation. MMAH has not committed to date yet. We are still trying to get everything done for Jan 1, 2006. Bridgestocke is in Temiskaming not Nipissing
- Meeting last week, Town is launching a counter-suit from the advice of our lawyer against Godden

7. Correspondence.

A. Action Items

1. Bills and Payroll

Res. No.: 05/268

Moved By: L. Anderson

Seconded By: L. Matton

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford approve the attached bills and payroll for the month of October 2005.

CARRIED.

2. Launch 2005/2006 Snowmobiling Season

Res. No.: 05/269

Moved By: L. Matton

Seconded By: L. Anderson

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford launch the 2005/2006 Snowmobiling Season declares Nov. 21 – 27, 2005 as “Get Ready for Snowmobiling Week” in recognition of the social, recreational, economic and healthy lifestyle benefits the organized snowmobiling provides to this community.

CARRIED.

Res. No.: 05/270

Moved By: M. Hamilton

Seconded By: L. Matton

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford move that the letter to the ONR, dated Nov. 7, 2005, as drafted by Gerry Remillard be forwarded as a letter from Latchford Council as a proposal to obtain the ONR property easterly of the ONR tracks.

CARRIED.

3. Support Township of Coleman

Res. No.: 05/271

Moved By: G. Remillard

Seconded By: M. Hamilton

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford support the resolution from the Township of Coleman pertaining to the use of our natural resources (wood) within our Province.

CARRIED.

4. Adopt local health unit plan for pandemic. Requested it, they are updating it right now. We will not support the township of Terrace bay at this moment. We will deal with our health Unit. This issue will go back to Council next meeting. – see attached #1

5. City of Sault Ste. Marie – Bill 124. We need codes

6. Town of Cobalt – Restructuring Business Case Study – We are not re-visiting again, we already dealt with this.

7. Diane Quinn – Township of Gauthier - Funding for Chief Building Official Wages. We have already been in contact with a local municipality; we will use their building officer. Leave this as ongoing.

8. Should be in-camera – re: someone’s property

9. Temiskaming Hospital – Help in supporting the hospital in funding for physician recruitment. Cannot donate anymore money, we already went over budget but we will put this on next years budget.
10. Northern Ontario School of Medicine (Bursary Fund) – In our own local hospitals, we don't have enough doctors. Money would be better spent supporting our own hospitals. Put this in budget for 2006.

11. Elk Lake Township of James is looking for support on resolution 10-05

Res. No.: 05/272

Moved By: L. Anderson

Seconded By: L. Matton

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford support the resolution from the Township of James pertaining to demanding the LESP restrictions implemented in 1983 remain status quo with a minimum standard road maintenance to sustain current access level, and also demanding an appeal mechanism be put into place prior to the completion of the LESP plan.

CARRIED.

12. Latchford Recreation Centre – (rental rates & policies) Peter will work on this for next meeting. Have policy ready to show everyone.

13. Resolution to support the Town of Wilmot

Res. No.: 05/273

Moved By: L. Anderson

Seconded By: G. Remillard

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford supports the Corporation of the Town of Wilmot in resolution # 2005-288 petitioning the senior levels of government through its local representatives, to give utmost consideration to recreational projects to be eligible for funding within the next third intake, and further.

CARRIED.

14. Resolution to support the Town of Wilmot

Res. No.: 05/274

Moved By: L. Matton

Seconded By: L. Anderson

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford supports the Corporation of the Town of Wilmot in resolution # 2005-279 petitions the federal and provincial levels of government through Tony Rota MP and David Ramsay MPP ridings, that if gasoline is to be taxed, it be maintained at a fixed rate per litre to reflect a zero revenue gain at senior levels of government.

CARRIED.

15. Resolution to support the Town of Tecumseh

Res. No.: 05/275

Moved By: L. Anderson

Seconded By: L. Matton

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford supports the Corporation of the Town of Tecumseh that they request the federal Government to:

Extend the expiration of a passport from not later than five (5) years to ten (10) years from the date of issuance; and

Extend the expiration of a passport where the child is under three (3) years of age, from not later than three (3) years to five (5) after the date on which it is issued.

Be it further resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford supports the Corporation of the Town of Tecumseh in the request that the cost of acquiring passports be maintained;

And Be it further resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford send a copy of this resolution to the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration, the honorable Joe Volpe, Federation of Canadian Municipalities, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, our local MP's and MPP's.

CARRIED.

B. Information Items

1. International Coat of Arms – Lapel Pins – Put this in budget for next year.
2. Northern Development and Mines (Ontario Government promotes International Investment in Northern Ontario) – Talking about 5 Northern Cities- what about us? Coming from MNDM – what are they proposing can only be offered in these cities. Kirkland Lake could use it. Should develop all of the North.
3. Canadian Union of Postal Workers (Canada Post closing post offices and plants) – Have a resolution ready to pass at next meeting in support of this, specifically to support our post office. Deal with this at next meeting.
4. AMO (Municipal Funding Agreements for Federal Gas Tax Funds) – Sign this agreement & get it sent in.
5. Bill 206 (An act to revise the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System Act) – Look into this further; this could have a big impact on municipalities. Government doesn't want to be on the hook for this, they want municipalities to be. Contact AMO, tell them we are concerned and if there is anything we can do to further help.

8. Ongoing Business:

Final Water Bills – going out tomorrow. Everyone has to pay their fair share. There will probably be some unhappy people. We can suggest they consolidate their lots or take whatever is on the lot off and they will be only charged \$50.00 for water and \$50.00 for sewer.

Community Centre – Need volunteers to put netting on each end. Gord Lomax has something in mind. We will be posting jobs for Rink Manager very soon, also for Landfill Operator Assistant, Public Works Officer, Bylaw Officer and Animal Control Officer. These will run from Jan.2006 to Jan 2007.

Crusher Grant – Ongoing, will be done next year.

Annexation – Moving along.

Water Treatment Plant – Tenders will be put off for 1 week. Earth Tec coming up to open up with us. Contact Earth Tec about a tower.

9. New Business:

We have received a cheque back from the forensic audit \$4529.84 for monies that were misappropriated. We will be getting another \$70,000.00 cheque (approx). Deficit was a one-time cost that will be re-funded and put back into reserves.

Res. No.: 05/276

Moved By: L. Matton

Seconded By: L. Anderson

Be it resolved that Mayor and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer are hereby authorized to execute this Municipal Funding Agreement for the Transfer of Federal Gas Tax Revenues under the New Deal for Cities and Communities between the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and Latchford as in Schedule "A" attached hereto.

CARRIED.

10. **Bylaws**
Confirming By-law

Res. No.: 05/277

Moved By: L. Anderson

Seconded By: M. Hamilton

Be it resolved that the confirming By-Law 693/05 & 694/05 be given a first, second and third reading and finally passed by Council for the Corporation for the Town of Latchford.

CARRIED.

11. **In camera session.**

Res. No.: 05/278

Moved By: L. Matton

Seconded By: L. Anderson

Be it resolved that the Council for the Town of Latchford enter into a Closed Meeting at 8:56P.M. to discuss one of the following as set out in the Municipal Act, 2001 Section 239(2);

Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or board employees;

A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or board;

CARRIED.

Res. No.: 05/279

Moved By: G. Remillard

Seconded By: L. Anderson

Be it resolved that Council now arise from Closed Meeting @ 10:10 P.M.

CARRIED.

12. **Adjournment.**

Res. No.: 05/280

Moved By: L. Matton

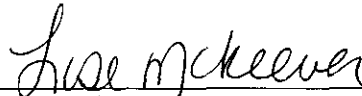
Second By: L. Anderson

Be it resolved that Council now adjourns @ 10:11 P.M. until the next regular meeting or call from the Mayor.

Dated at Latchford this 23rd, day
of November, 2005



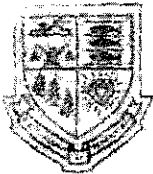
Mayor



Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

Attached #1

THE CORPORATION OF
THE TOWNSHIP OF TERRACE BAY



TOWNSHIP OFFICE
31 Simcoe Plaza
P.O. Box 40
Terrace Bay, Ontario
P0T 2W0
Tel: (807) 825-3315
Fax: (807) 825-9576

PUBLIC WORKS
P.O. Box 40
Terrace Bay, Ontario
P0T 2W0
Tel: (807) 825-9016
Fax: (807) 825-9576

RECREATION
DEPARTMENT
P.O. Box 460
Terrace Bay, Ontario
P0T 2W0
Tel: (807) 825-3542
Fax: (807) 825-9608

TOURIST
INFORMATION CENTRE
P.O. Box 1207
Terrace Bay, Ontario
P0T 2W0
Tel: (807) 825-9721
Fax: (807) 825-9420

FIRE DEPARTMENT
Radisson Avenue
P.O. Box 430
Terrace Bay, Ontario
P0T 2W0
Tel: (807) 825-3554
Fax: (807) 825-9576

PUBLIC LIBRARY
P.O. Box 369
Terrace Bay, Ontario
P0T 2W0
Tel: (807) 825-3819
Fax: (807) 825-1249

10. Resolutions
The Corporation of the Township of Terrace Bay
October 24, 2005
Resolution CR ~~229~~ - 2005

Moved by: Councillor J. St. Amant
Seconded by: Councillor R. MacBain

WHEREAS the world has seen three major influenza outbreaks in the 20th century; experts predict that since influenza pandemics have, historically occurred in cycles, the next global pandemic is overdue;

AND WHEREAS Ontario will have little lead time between when a pandemic is first declared by the World Health Organization and when it spreads to the province;

AND WHEREAS it will spread in two or more waves either in the same or successive years, with the second wave occurring within three to nine months of the initial outbreak;

AND WHEREAS Ontario will not have a large enough supply of antivirals or vaccine for the entire population, requiring the province to set priorities for who receives limited vaccine and antiviral drugs;

AND WHEREAS during a pandemic, the availability of front line workers, including health care and emergency service workers, could be reduced by up to one third due to illness,

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Township of Terrace Bay hereby requests the Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services to ensure that providers and the public are informed about the pandemic and how to help protect themselves against it and that the Ministry identify and implement a system for the provision of critical medical supplies and establish reliable and secure purchasing, storage and distribution systems;

AND FURTHER that this resolution be forwarded to AMO, all Ontario Municipalities and local M.P.P.s for support.

Carried: ✓

Defeated: _____
Mayor: M. K. J.

November 7, 2005

Ontario Northland Transportation Commission
555 Oak Street, East
North Bay, Ontario
P1B 8E3

To whom it may concern:

All the property on the east side of the railway that runs through the Town of Latchford next to the Montreal River is owned entirely by the Ontario Northland Transportation Commission. As well, (plan 994, part 2), which is used to access this property over the railroad tracks is also O.N.T.C. property. In order to safely get across the tracks to this property, a crossing with signal lights would be a necessity for the proposal I am presenting you with.

The Town could then develop this property as a residential subdivision where people would build homes in that beautiful location overlooking the Montreal River. I would ask that you seriously consider this proposal and hopefully, agree to it at a minimal cost to the community of Latchford. It could be a means to raise substantial revenue for Latchford. It is presently simply sitting there empty, with very good potential for Latchford. We would be very interested in obtaining this land from you if a reasonable price could be negotiated with you.

At one time, there were sawmills, (that of the Empire Lumber Co., then A J. Murphy's) along with other buildings situated there. I believe it could be very viable for the town to be able to develop this property for residential use. I believe that the O.N.T.C. profited a great deal back then when these mills operated there and the lumber was all shipped by rail, instead of by eighteen-wheeler transports as it is today. I also am aware that one of the possibly negative points to this proposal may be the crossing itself, but I would think that this could be worked out if we both try to resolve this issue together.

The Town would also need an easement in order to run a main water and sewage line under or along side of crossing in order to access properties on the other side, which would be our responsibility of course.

As you are most likely aware, we are a very small community here in Northern Ontario whose municipal council members are trying desperately to ensure the town's survival and we most certainly need all the help we can get to try and sustain the town and its residents for the future.

I believe that this would be a wonderful opportunity for our municipality and something to be looked into as a long range plan for the Town of Latchford which would allow our town the ability to grow and expand our tax base. Should your decision be favourable to us, it would also help us in being able to meet the high cost of operating our water and sewage plant, which was built much too big to accommodate our small population. Because of plant's size and capabilities, it would present no problem in bringing this service to the area in question. Hopefully, you will look at this

| | | | | | |

proposal as a possibility for Latchford to expand in that direction with a new subdivision. Of course, going ahead with this would depend entirely on your response, the cost associated with its development, and whether it would be viable for the Town of Latchford to proceed with it, as well as if people would indeed want to build there.

We would certainly appreciate a response from you on this proposal as we feel that this could be very beneficial for the Town of Latchford. I would also ask that you please forward your response to me directly, as soon as you possibly can or as time permits.

Awaiting your response, I remain

Thank you

Yours truly,

Gerry Remillard, Councillor
c/o The Town of Latchford,
P. O. Box 10
Latchford, Ontario
P0J 1N0

