

**MINUTES FOR COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY, November 23rd, 2005, 7:00 p.m.**

1. Call to order and mayoral comments.

Mayor Peter Davies called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Present: Mayor Peter Davies, Councillor Larry Anderson, Councillor Mac Hamilton, Councillor LillieMay Matton

Staff: Lise McKeever –Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

Absent: Deputy Mayor Gerry Remillard

There were approximately 8 people in attendance.

- Gerry is absent due to an illness in the family
- Court case was a week last Monday, we will wait to see when the new date is set.
- There was a break-in at the town dump today – lock off the shack was broken, police were called.
- Tree lighting is set for Dec. 3, 2005.
- The new clerk will be starting on Dec.12, 2005.

2. Adoption of the agenda as circulated.

Res. No.: 05/281

Moved By: L. Anderson

Seconded By: M. Hamilton

Be it resolved that the Agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

3. Declaration of pecuniary interest/conflict of interest. None

4. Adoption of the minutes of the meeting of Council as held on November 9th, 2005

Res. No.: 05/282

Moved By: L. Matton

Seconded By: M. Hamilton

Be it resolved that the minutes of Council as held on November 9th, 2005 be adopted as read, and circulated by the Clerk.

CARRIED.

5. Delegations -- Gord Lomax – update – see Attached “A”

- We have a copy of the handbook he gave us
- Read through book and if enough people want a meeting with ministry, we will go ahead and request a meeting.

6. Council Committee Reports.

Councillor Larry Anderson

(1) Community Policing Meeting:

- As everyone knows, calls for police services has been up
- We have a increased presence in town the last few weeks, this has resulted in only 3 calls to date in November and ½ the month is done
- While this is no help, calls for OPP or Police were up this summer across the entire district, New Liskeard as well! There is no known reason for this....could be the heat
- Another concern was increased calls could mean increased cost. Our agreement with the OPP is not based on calls. If they are not called in 3 months we still pay “x” amount. If they are called out 100 times in the same 3 months, we pay the same amount.
- “Neighbourhood Watch” was discussed at the meeting. The guidelines for the program would require a lot of volunteers for the program part and do it properly. It was decided to wait a bit and see if things settle down before pursuing this further
- We are looking at setting another meeting date in January 2006

(2) Public Works:

- Lee has contacted a contractor to get quotes for The Logger's Hall of Fame and other town facilities needing repairs
- We have not yet done a tour of the roads but he'll be clearing them shortly I'm sure
- We have briefly discussed equipment and I hope to issue a report on what could last longer, what we should be looking at replacing etc.....in order to set up a long range capital planning

(3) 2007 Committee last Monday – sent letters to every business in town. We need more volunteers for this, hopefully in 2006

(4) Has not met with Fire Dept., they have been too busy.

Councillor Mac Hamilton

Why is our dam a federal dam and all the rest are provincial? Mac asked this question when he attended the meeting last Tuesday re: hydro-watersheds. We are waiting for this question to be answered.

(1) Tourism Development:

- Tourism workshop coordinated by MNM held on Nov. 22, 2005
- Committee member Gord Lomax attended – we had sent a copy of Gord's proposal to David Ramsay

(2) Latchford Real Estate:

- On going

(3) Gillies Limit (South) Annexation:

- Meeting to be held soon for an update

(4) ONR Bridge:

- Response received Nov. 9/05
- Some positive promises by ONR outlined
- They wish to participate in Latchford 2007 Plans – Referred to Latchford 2007 Committee

(5) Municipal Building Lot:

- Paved---some clean-up in the spring may be required
- Parking facility coming along, sod is completed

(6) Municipal Building Condition Inventory:

- Public Works Dept. to assess condition of all Municipal Buildings.
- Estimates to upgrade each building to be prepared
- This includes historic buildings/museum etc.
- A full grant application to be prepared after estimates, approved by Council
- Hopefully, this application can be made Jan/06 to place our share in the 2006 budget plan

Councillor LillieMay Matton

- Nov. 22, 2005 – met with Recreation Committee
- Tree lighting – Dec. 3, 2005 @ 6:30pm here at the Town office. Lots of entertainment. The Rec. Committee still is looking for volunteers. We will be

able to purchase ornaments starting next Monday for \$1.00 each in memory of someone or just a greeting

- New Years Eve dance at the new Latchford recreation Centre. Tickets will be \$5.00/person and D.J. There will be 75 tickets available
- Game night held last Friday night – it went very well, approx 10 kids came out to participate. Looking at having a family game night also
- So many echoes (very hollow) in the Rec. Centre – Lee can look into having that dimmed somewhat – sound proofing panels perhaps. Ask a contractor (Styrofoam panels on edge?)

7. **Correspondence.**

A. Action Items

1. Request for a tender be put out for a new furnace at Latchford Fire Hall

Res. No.: 05/283

Moved By: L. Matton

Seconded By: L. Anderson

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford put out a Tender for quotes in supplying and installing a new furnace for the Latchford Fire hall.

CARRIED.

Need to put out an ad for tenders for quotes and also need some trees removed near firehall – Lee will do this with a backhoe.

2. Post Offices

Res. No.: 05/284

Moved By: L. Matton

Seconded By: M. Hamilton

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford write John McCallum, the Minister responsible for Canada Post and request that the federal government instruct Canada Post:

1. To consult with the public, postal unions and other major stakeholders to develop a uniform and democratic process for making changes to the Canada Post's network.
2. To maintain, expand and improve our public postal network.
3. To ensure the continued operation of the Latchford post Office.

CARRIED.

3. **Res. No.:** 05/285

Moved By: L. Anderson

Seconded By: L. Matton

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford supports the Township of Chisholm in petitioning the Honourable David Ramsay, Minister of Natural Resources, to immediately move to reinstate the spring bear hunt, and further that this resolution be circulated to local Members of Parliament.

CARRIED.

B. Information Items

1. Read Rene's card out loud

2. City of Niagara Falls – asking the Federal Government to intervene in the wholesale gasoline sector to restore free market system of competition.

Res. No.: 05/286

Moved By: L. Anderson

Seconded By: M. Hamilton

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford supports the Township of Chisholm in petitioning the Honourable David Ramsay, Minister of Natural Resources, to immediately move to reinstate the spring bear hunt, and further that this resolution be circulated to local Members of Parliament.

CARRIED.

3. MPAC – Meeting with taxpayer groups to answer questions – Send a letter and extend an invitation to MPAC to come and talk with our community.
4. Board of Health – Minutes from meeting. Minutes have mistakes in them, yet again. Send them a letter telling them their minutes have errors (2005/08 resolution is wrongly headed). We are reading the minutes.
5. Ontario Tourism Partnership Corporation – Festivals and Events guide for 2006 will be produced – deadline for submitting is Dec. 1, 2005 – This deadline does not give us enough time to put it in.
6. AM0–The second intake for Canada-Ontario-Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund (COMRIF) applications closed on Sept. 30, 2005 – If looking at infrastructure and improvements.....this is the one to go with.

8. Ongoing Business:

Crusher Grant – Can this be done over the winter? Would be more costly – everything is frozen. We might just get a better deal over the winter. Larry will check into this.

Water Treatment Plant – opened tenders last Thursday. Pedersen’s will most likely get this job.

Annexation – Meeting tomorrow with Gord Tokaryk.

Recreation Centre – Mac says that they put up part of safety netting. We can get panels and brackets from Temiskaming Shores, it will be a plus that we get glass on at least the corners.

9. New Business:

Frog’s Breath Application – We need a letter of intent in by Dec. 1, 2005. Larry will be applying for \$200,000 plus.

Res. No.: 05/287

Moved By: L. Matton

Seconded By: M. Hamilton

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford has the following committees and that the responsibilities of Councillors is attached in Schedule “A”

CARRIED.

10. Bylaws

Confirming By-law

Res. No.: 05/288

Moved By: L. Anderson

Seconded By: L. Matton

Be it resolved that the confirming By-Law 696/05 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.: 05/289

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 8:38 P.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;

Labour relations or employee negotiations;

Litigation or potential litigation, including matter before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board;

CARRIED.

Res. No.: 05/290

Moved By: L. Matton

Seconded By: L. Anderson

Be it resolved that Council now arise from Closed Meeting @ 9:47 P.M.

CARRIED.

Res. No.: 05/291

Moved By: L. Anderson

Seconded By: L. Matton

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford accepts the contract for Elizabeth Gibson

CARRIED.

Res. No.: 05/292

Moved By: L. Matton

Seconded By: M. Hamilton

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford, after receipt of a letter regarding Lot 112 from Legal Council on behalf of an interested party, proceed with legal action to clear access to Lot 112.

CARRIED.

12. Adjournment.

Res. No.: 05/293

Moved By: M. Hamilton

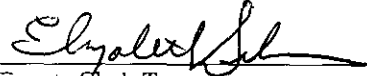
Second By: L. Anderson

Be it resolved that we adjourn @ 9:50 P.M.

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



Mayor



Clerk-Treasurer

... update by Gord Lomax at Latchford regular Council Mtg 23 Nov 05

... business arising out of the regular Latchford Council Meeting of 9 Nov 05

re: Temagami Integrated Plan (aka TIP), addressing the Recreation Commitments in the Temagami Land Use Plan (aka TULP)

Just so you know, W. J. B. Greenwood Provincial Park and Cliff Lake Conservation Reserve are not included in TIP at this time. Our Greenwood Park Proposal is welcome, according to John Salo, Superintendent of Temagami Parks, with whom I met last week. John likes it.

How about the current TIP exercise then:

- after years of prodding, finally, in June 2004, Minister Ramsay announced that MNR would make Management Plans for 5 Interior Parks, 8 Conservation Reserves and surrounding Recreational Crown Land using the Public Consultation Process required by law. Hence TIP, a 2 year long Public Consultation Process started 3 months ago after MNR had prepared this (hold it up) very comprehensive Background Information Document to begin the process. I brought 12 copies for those interested. Its free. More are available at the Findlayson Park Office. Notices like this (hold it up) were placed in local News Papers multiple times inviting the public to attend meetings to discuss their concerns and submit written comments. Darlene Roe, Temiskaming Speaker, Reported on those. Nine well attended meetings were held in August and September where some organizations arranged follow-up meetings which are ongoing. Such as, the one attended by 140 hosted by Elk Lake Community Forest, ... and the Pilots Association had one last week in Toronto. John Salo, Supervisor of Temagami Parks with whom I met last week, offered to bring the "dog and pony show" here if Council requests it. Following this Background Review, MNR will consolidate the comments, then invite the public to attend an Issues and Opportunities Review. Following that consolidation, the public will be invited to a Preliminary Plan Review. That one will be followed by one called Approved Management Plans Inspection in about two years time. Watch the News Papers because you are invited to participate.

- some hot issues are:

.....use of motorized vehicles. Some examples are - float planes may be restricted to certain locations within the parks. Some restrictions may be placed on ATVs, Snowmobiles and Motor Boats within the parks, specially in zones containing endangered species like Bald Eagles and Aurora Trout. Liskeard Lumber Road will continue to remain gated from June to September.

.....yearly renewable Land Use Permits may not be renewed after 2009 for 14 hunting & fishing camps. Notice was served on those camps that this would happen back in 1983 when these Wilderness Parks were established.

.....use the internet for updates. <<ottertooth.com>> has Outfitters concerns posted currently.

That ends my report.

Thank you.

Attached "A"

