

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 22, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.**

1. Call to order and mayoral comments.

Mayor Peter Davies called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Council: Mayor Peter Davies, Councillor Larry Anderson, Councillor Mac Hamilton, Councillor Lilliemay Matton, Councillor Gerry Remillard

Staff: Betty Gibson, Clerk-Treasurer

There were approximately 9 people in attendance.

2. Adoption of the agenda as circulated.

Resolution No.: 06/74

Moved By: Larry Anderson

Seconded By: Gerry Remillard

Be it resolved that the February 22, 2006 Agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Declaration of pecuniary interest/conflict of interest.

Councillor Gerry Remillard declared a pecuniary interest with respect to Item 7.A.8.

Councillor Lillie May Matton declared a conflict of interest with respect to an item in the In-Camera Session.

4. Adoption of the minutes of the meeting of Council held on February 8, 2006

Resolution No.: 06/75

Moved By: Lilliemay Matton

Seconded By: Mac Hamilton

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held February 8, 2006 and the Special Council Meeting held February 7, 2006, be adopted as read and circulated by the Clerk.

CARRIED

5. Delegations:

Fire Chief Pat Underhill and Charles Hallworth of the Latchford Volunteer Fire Department presented Council with a lovely plaque in appreciation of Council's support. Mayor and Council thanked the Volunteer Fire Department.

6. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councillor Larry Anderson

1. Public Works: There are no concerns with Public Works.

2. Community Policing: Councillor Anderson reviewed items discussed at the Community Policing meeting held February 15th, as follows:

- December 2005 - 14 calls, with 5 thefts and 4 charges laid
- January 2006 – 7 calls
- Impaired charges have decreased over the past five years
- Reviewed a film on the ignition interlock (drinking and driving)
- Next meeting is April 4, 2006

Councillor Gerry Remillard

No report at this time.

Councillor Mac Hamilton

1. Annexation

All requirements with respect to the annexation are being resolved.

2. Heritage Latchford

A further meeting was held with FedNor regarding employment of a three year heritage coordinator.

3. Community-In-Action Grant

A submission claim for reimbursement of the tables, chairs and safety nets is in progress.

4. Latchford Real Estate

Surplus properties will be confirmed by by-law at a future meeting, following which they will be advertised for sale.

5. Accounting System

Training was attended in London February 13 – 16.

6. Recreation Centre

Estimates are being requested for kitchen needs. Donations are forthcoming. Any donations from the community would also be welcome.

7. Frogs Breath Foundation

Council is waiting for news.

8. Trails Development

A draft development plan for W.J.B. Greenwood Park has been prepared by Gord Lomax for Council's review. This plan carefully lays out another important facet in the future of Latchford's economic stability.

Councillor Lilliemay Matton

1. There was no Recreation meeting to report.

2. Councillor Lilliemay Matton reviewed the following:

- Friday March 3 at 6:00 p.m. – Robert Munsch, author, will be at the Community Centre for book signing; desserts and coffee will be available. There is no charge, just bring a canned good.
- Thursday February 23 there will be figure skating at 6:30 p.m. and power skating at 7:30 p.m. (rescheduled due to the storm)
- Discussed seniors' programs with the president of the Seniors' Club

Mayor Peter Davies

Mayor Davies reviewed the following items:

- ASYST training was attended last week. Although it was not what was expected, much information was obtained.
- Taxes will be late as staff are waiting to obtain required information from the Ministry and MPAC.
- A preliminary working budget meeting is scheduled for March 9, 2006, but will be rescheduled to next week, if possible.
- The business plan for W.J.B. Greenwood Park has been received from Mr. Lomax, and it is very impressive. Mayor Davies thanked Mr. Lomax for the many hours volunteered to produce this professional business plan.
- The ice surface at the arena is in very good condition, with no complaints being received.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

A. Action Items

1. TMA Membership

Resolution No. 06/76

Moved By: Lilliemay Matton

Seconded By: Gerry Remillard

Be it resolved that Council for the Town of Latchford approves the invoice and registration for the 2006 Membership with the Temiskaming Municipal Association for \$150.00.

CARRIED

2. AMCTO Membership

Resolution No. 06/77

Moved By: Mac Hamilton

Seconded By: Larry Anderson

Be it resolved that council for the Town of Latchford approves the 2006 Membership with the AMCTO in the amount of \$310.30 and the Zone fee in the amount of \$20.00.

CARRIED

3. Nastawgan Trails Inc.

Resolution No.: 06/78

Moved By: Larry Anderson

Seconded By: Lilliemay Matton

Be it resolved that the email from Les Wilcox, Nastawgan Trails Inc. suggesting a simple memorandum of understanding stating that the Town of Latchford and Nastawgan Trails Inc. agrees to work together to pursue this venture be received and the Clerk be directed to prepare a draft for review

CARRIED

4. Rural Excellence Awards

Resolution No. 06/79

Moved By: Lilliemay Matton

Seconded By: Mac Hamilton

Be it resolved that the information from the Foundation for Rural Living re: Nominations for the 7th Annual Awards of Rural Excellence be received and Council review information and provide a nominee if they wish.

CARRIED

5. Residents Against Water Bill

Resolution No. 06/80

Moved By: Larry Anderson

Seconded By: Gerry Remillard

Be it resolved that the letter from Residents Against Water Bill and the resolution from the Municipality of Killarney re: Upgrades to Water Systems be received and Council supports the said resolution.

CARRIED

6. Annexation Reports from Ken Boal

Resolution No. 06/81

Moved By: Larry Anderson

Seconded By: Lilliemay Matton

Be it resolved that the memo from Ken Boal, including the following attachments:

- quote from Debra Smith, St.Jean-Lane Inc. re: Implementation of 911 in Gillies Limit, in the amount of \$19,500 plus GST;
- profile of St.Jean-Lane Inc.;

- report from Ken Boal re: Access Road; and

- OPP Police Services – 2006 Estimates

be received and the estimate for implementation of 911 in Gillies Limit be placed in the 2006 Budget File;

And further that the report re: Access Road and the OPP Police Services – 2006 Estimates also be placed in the 2006 Budget File.

CARRIED

7. Furnace at the Fire Hall

Resolution No. 06/82

Moved By: Larry Anderson

Seconded By: Lilliemay Matton

Be it resolved that the quotes for the furnace at the Fire Hall, as follows:

- Comfort Heating \$8,147.03 (includes GST and all items as requested)
- Campsall Electric \$7,888.00 (GST not included)
- Breault Heating \$5,296.59 (GST included, all requested duct work not included)

be received and the Clerk be requested to forward Breault Heating an itemized list, including the amount of duct work, asking them to provide a new quote.

CARRIED

8. ASYST Training Expenses

Resolution No. 06/83

Moved By: Mac Hamilton

Seconded By: Lilliemay Matton

Be it resolved that Council approves payment in the amount of \$125.00 to Lise McKeever, to cover the cost of additional child care while she attended the required ASYST training in London.

CARRIED

B. Correspondence – Information Items

The following Information Items were noted.

1. CUPE Strike – AMO Calls on Province to Protect Public Interest and the Delivery of Municipal Programs and Services.
2. The Business Centre – NPS hosting Sustainable Communities – A Community Development and Revitalization Forum March 21-22, 2006. (The Clerk was directed to forward information to the Heritage Board.
3. Municipality of Grey Highlands re: Bill 51 – Request for Support for resolution. (The Clerk was requested to obtain a copy of Clause 23, Bill 51 for Council's review.)
4. Northumberland County re: Bill 206 OMERS. (Place on the next council meeting for support.
5. Thank you letter from McDermid Family.

8. ONGOING BUSINESS:

1. Crusher Grant:

The Mayor advised Council of information NOHFC provided to the Clerk with respect to this project.

2. Water Treatment Plant Upgrades:

No further report at this time.

9. NEW BUSINESS

1. Legion Bussing – Co-funding

Resolution No. 06/84

Moved By: Lilliemay Matton

Seconded By: Larry Anderson

Be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Latchford agrees to co-fund the Legion bussing cost, to a maximum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), for up to six months, in order to provide weekly bussing; and it be noted there will be no charge for Latchford residents to use this service.

CARRIED

2. Surplus Properties

Resolution No. 06/85

Moved By: Mac Hamilton

Seconded By: Lilliemay Matton

Be it resolved that Resolution 06/66 passed by Council of the Town of Latchford on February 8, 2006 regarding surplus lots be amended to read as follows:

Council declares the following lots surplus and a by-law declaring said lots surplus will be tabled at a future Council meeting:

- Hillview Street, East Side – Lots 291, 304, 330, 343, 369, 394, 420, 433, 445
- Hillview Street, West Side – Lots 263, 277, 290
- Main Street, East Side - Lots 98 and 108
- Main Street, West Side - Lots 30 and 245
- Mitchell Street, West Side - Lots 26 and 38
- Proulx Street, East Side - Lots 1, 13 and 37

And further that a notice announcing the passing of the by-law be posted at the Town Office, the Post Office, the Dam Depot, and B.J.'s Variety Store, in accordance with the Town of Latchford's By-law No. 677/05 and By-law No. 604/04.

CARRIED

10. BY-LAWS

By-law No. 712-06 Confirming By-law

Resolution No. 06/86

Moved By: Gerry Remillard

Seconded By: Larry Anderson

Be it resolved that By-law No. 712-06 being a by-law to confirm certain proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford for its regular meeting held February 22, 2006 be read a first, second and third time and finally passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford.

CARRIED

11. In camera session.

Resolution No. 06/87

Moved By: Lilliemay Matton

Seconded By: Mac Hamilton

Minutes of Council Meeting held February 22, 2006

Be it resolved that the Council for the Town of Latchford enter into a Closed Meeting at 8:33 P.M. to discuss the following matters as set out in the Municipal Act, 2001 Section 239(2);

- Labour relations or employee negotiations;
- Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or board employees;
- Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 06/88

Moved By: Larry Anderson

Seconded By: Gerry Remillard

Be it resolved that Council now arise from Closed Meeting at 9:22 P.M.

CARRIED

12. Adjournment.

Resolution No. 06/89

Moved By: Larry Anderson

Second By: Lilliemay Matton

Be it resolved that Council now adjourn at 9:25 p.m. until the next regular meeting or call from the Mayor.

CARRIED

Dated at Latchford this 22nd day
of February, 2006.

Mayor

Clerk-Treasurer