

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
TUESDAY FEBRUARY 20, 2007 at 5:15 p.m.
HELD AT THE LATCHFORD TOWN OFFICE COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

1. Call to order and mayoral comments.

PRESENT:

Council: Mayor Peter Davies, Councillor Larry Anderson, Councillor Mac Hamilton, Councillor Gordon Lomax, Councillor Mike Cole, Councillor Maxine Cannon

Regrets: Councillor Jim Bennett

Staff: Betty Gibson, Clerk-Treasurer

Public: None.

Press: None

2. Adoption of the agenda as circulated

Resolution No.: 07/82

Moved By: Larry Anderson

Seconded By: Mac Hamilton

Be it resolved that the February 20, 2007 Agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST/CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

NONE

4. Adoption of the Minutes

Resolution No.: 07/83

Moved By: Gord Lomax

Seconded By: Larry Anderson

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held February 14, 2007 be deferred to the Regular Council Meeting scheduled for March 1, 2007.

CARRIED

5. DELEGATIONS: NONE

6. COUNCIL COMMITTEE/MAYOR/CLERK REPORTS:

None

7. CORRESPONDENCE

None

8. ONGOING BUSINESS

None

9. NEW BUSINESS

None

10. BY-LAWS

By-Law No. 775/07

Resolution No. 07/84

Move By: Mike Cole

Seconded By: Gord Lomax

Be it resolved that By-Law No 775/06 being a by-law to confirm certain proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford for the Special meeting held February 20, 2007 be taken as read a first, second and third time and finally passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford.

CARRIED

11. CLOSED MEETING

Resolution No. 07/85

Moved By: Mike Cole

Seconded By: Larry Anderson

Be it resolved that the Council for the Town of Latchford enter into a Closed Meeting at 5:19 p.m. to discuss the following matters as set out in the Municipal Act, 2001 Section 239 (2);

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

CARRIED

Resolution No. 07/86

Moved By: Mike Cole

Seconded By: Gord Lomax

Be it resolved that Council now arise from Closed Meeting at 5:45 p.m.

CARRIED

The following resolution resulted from the Closed Meeting.

1. Lawsuits

Resolution No.: 07/87

Moved By: Maxine Cannon

Seconded By: Larry Anderson

Whereas the Town of Latchford as been served with a large number of small claims lawsuits, all in the amount of \$10,000, over the past year;

And Whereas under the Town's insurance provider there is a \$10,000 deductible;

And Whereas the possibility of the Town's insurance provider cancelling coverage if the Town continues to forward the small claims lawsuits to the insurance provider does exist;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford engage its own legal counsel to deal with these claims without forwarding them to the insurance carrier.

CARRIED

Legal Counsel

Resolution No.: 07/88

Moved By: Mac Hamilton

Seconded By: Larry Anderson

Whereas legal counsel has recommended that the Town hire a lawyer to consolidate all the small claims lawsuits and these lawsuits will be presented in one session as frivolous and vexatious;

Now therefore be it resolved that Council approves the engagement of Miller Maki to represent the Town of Latchford, consolidating all the small claims lawsuits and Co-op lawsuit and presenting the lawsuits in one session as frivolous and vexatious; and further that a motion to prevent further suites from the parties involved without the intervention of a Superior Court Judge be filed.

CARRIED

Latchford Enterprises Co-operative Shareholders

Resolution No.: 07/89

Moved By: Mike Cole

Seconded By: Gord Lomax

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford upon obtaining a recommendation from legal counsel shall make an offer to all the members of the Latchford Enterprises Co-operative to pay an agreed amount for their shares; and further to pay off the mortgage in the amount of \$20,000.

CARRIED

12. ADJOURN

Resolution No. 07/90

Moved By: Maxine Cannon

Seconded By: Larry Anderson

Be it resolved that Council now adjourn at 5:51 p.m. until the next regular meeting or call from the Mayor.

CARRIED

**Dated at Latchford this 1st day
of March, 2007.**

Mayor

Clerk-Treasurer