

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL  
MONDAY MARCH 19, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.  
HELD AT THE LATCHFORD COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTRE**

**1. Call to order and mayoral comments.**

**PRESENT:**

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

**Staff:** Betty Gibson, Clerk-Treasurer

**Public:** There were approximately 5 people in attendance.

**Press:** None

**2. Adoption of the agenda as circulated**

**Resolution No.:** 07/126

**Moved By:** Larry Anderson

**Seconded By:** Mike Cole

**Be it resolved that** the March 19, 2007 Agenda be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST/CONFLICT OF INTEREST:**

Councillor Cannon declared a Conflict of Interest with respect to Item 8(5).

**4. Adoption of the Minutes**

**Resolution No.:** 07/127

**Moved By:** Maxine Cannon

**Seconded By:** Larry Anderson

**Be it resolved that** the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held March 13, 2007 and the Regular Council Meeting held March 14, 2007 be deferred to the March 28, 2007 Regular Meeting.

**CARRIED**

**5. DELEGATIONS: NONE**

**6. COUNCIL COMMITTEE/MAYOR/CLERK REPORTS:**

NONE

**7. CORRESPONDENCE**

NONE

**8. ONGOING BUSINESS**

**1. Water Treatment Plant:**

The project is in its final stage.

**2. Recycling**

The draft letter to residents and the contract will be amended and forwarded to Belinda Beirsto for review.

**3. Property Standards By-law**

The Clerk will provide a draft copy by the first week of April, with the intention of tabling the by-law at the last meeting in April.

**4. Parks/Waterfront Facilitator Position**

This item was not dealt with.

**5. Presentation re: Bussing**

Councillor Bennett presented an overview on bussing costs for the Municipality and the possibility of purchasing a small bus to be used to transport residents to various events in the area, which would include the Town's youth, handicapped and wheelchair passengers, as well as adults and seniors.

It was noted that the Legion/Town shared cost for the Friday bus service is approximately \$7,000 annually, with an average rider-ship of six to fourteen passengers. Handicapped/wheelchair service is only available on a limited and previously requested basis.

The benefits of the Town having a bus are as follows:

- Improved/additional service to area shopping and health care centres;
- Additional service provided to disabled and youth of the community;
- The \$7,000 annually spent would be put back into the community; and
- Create employment for local driver(s);

Estimated annual *operating* cost for 52 trips is \$6,790.

Councillor Bennett spoke with the Legion regarding the Town's proposal to purchase a small bus, and the Clerk will forward a copy of the presentation to the Royal Canadian Legion's President for their review.

The following resolution was passed:

**Bussing Proposal**

**Resolution No.:** 07/128

**Moved By:** Larry Anderson

**Seconded By:** Maxine Cannon

**Be it resolved that** Council supports further investigation into the bussing proposal as presented by Councillor Bennett and ongoing participation and input from the Royal Canadian Legion.

**CARRIED**

**6. By-law Officer**

**Hiring a By-law Officer**

**Resolution No.:** 07/129

**Moved By:** Mike Cole

**Seconded By:** Larry Anderson

**WHEREAS** the position of By-law Officer was advertised by posting in the usual locations;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council does hereby approve the appointment of Ronald Sauve Jr. as the By-law Office for the Town of Latchford.

**CARRIED**

*Councillor Maxine Cannon declared a Conflict of Interest and abstained from discussion and did not vote on the question.*

**7. Purchase of Projector**

**Projector**

**Resolution No.:** 07/130

**Moved By:** Jim Bennett

**Seconded By:** Gord Lomax

**Be it resolved that** Council approves the purchase of the Micro 411 – BenQ PB2220 Projector with a 92” Screen for \$749.00, plus tax; or up to \$1,000 before tax or shipping with a copy to the budget file.

**CARRIED**

**8. Highway Signs**

It was noted that the highway signs for the Museum and possibly the Town of Latchford signs (5 signs) are in poor condition and require repainting. The Clerk will post a notice requesting any person interested in carrying out this work to submit a short letter with a quote for this work. Lee Ketchabaw will be requested to take the signs down and provide the signs to the individual who will do the work.

Councillor Lomax suggested smaller “tickler” signs be attached to the highway signs advertising the Town’s Centennial Celebrations, and this suggestion will be submitted to the Centennial Committee.

**9. NEW BUSINESS  
NONE**

**10. BY-LAWS**

**By-Law No. 782/07**

**Resolution No. 07/131**

**Move By:** Mike Cole

**Seconded By:** Larry Anderson

**Be it resolved that** By-Law No 782/07 being a by-law to confirm certain proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford for its special meeting held March 19, 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. 07/132**

**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 8:40 p.m. to discuss the following matters as set out in the Municipal Act, 2001 Section 239 (2);

- Labour elations or employee negotiations.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution No. 07/133**

**Moved By:** Larry Anderson

**Seconded By:** Mike Cole

**Be it resolved that** Council now arise from Closed Meeting at 9:19 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**Good Roads Meal Expenses Reimbursement**

**Resolution No. 07/134**

**Moved By:** Mac Hamilton

**Seconded By:** Maxine Cannon

**Be it resolved that** Council authorizes the reimbursement of receipts in the amount of \$210.58 to Mayor Davies and Lee Ketchabaw for meals over and above the allowance for attendance at the Good roads Conference.

**CARRIED**

**Clerk-Treasurer's Hours of work**

**Resolution No. 07/135**

**Moved By:** Mac Hamilton

**Seconded By:** Larry Anderson

**Be it resolved that** Council will base the Clerk-Treasurer salary on 40 hr./wk. vs. 35 hour/week effective Jan. 1/07 and that any further increase for 2007 will be based on the overall employee salary wage adjustment.

**CARRIED**

**12. ADJOURN**

**Resolution No. 07/136**

**Moved By:** Jim Bennett

**Seconded By:** Larry Anderson

**Be it resolved that** Council now adjourn at 9:36 p.m. until the next regular meeting or call from the Mayor.

**CARRIED**

Dated at Latchford this 28<sup>th</sup> day  
of March, 2007.

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Mayor

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Clerk-Treasurer