

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LATCHFORD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
THURSDAY OCTOBER 15TH 2020
At 7:00PM**

HELD AT LATCHFORD COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTRE

1. Call to order and mayoral comments.

PRESENT:

Council: Mayor George Lefebvre, Councilors, Mike Brooks, Scott Green, Perry Livingston, Jo-Anne Cartner, Sharon Gadoury-East

Regrets Councillor Francine Blowe, Laurel Gadoury, Deputy Tres-Deputy-Clerk
Staff: Jaime Allen, Clerk-Treasurer,

Public: nil

Press: Bill Bushburger, CJTT , Jamie Mountain, Temiskaming Speaker

1. Mayor Lefebvre called meeting to order.

2. Adoption of the agenda as circulated

Resolution No: 20/090

Moved By: Mike Brooks

Seconded By: Scott Green

Be it resolved that the October 15th 2020 Agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST/CONFLICT OF INTEREST (NIL)

4. Adoption of the Minutes

Resolution No.: 20/091

Moved By: Perry Livingston

Seconded By: Sharon Gadoury-East

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held September 15th 2020. Be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

5. DELEGATIONS / PRESENTATIONS: Jeff Barton gave Council a presentation

On the benefits of local forest management in the district

6. COUNCIL COMMITTEE/MAYOR/CLERK REPORTS:

Councillor P. Livingston: see attached

Councillor Brooks: Operation of WTP running smooth, discussor for waste water has been installed, found an old sewage pump that may be a short term solution or a long turn one have to wait and see. Would like to thank everyone who helped picking up litter around Town

Councillor Gadoury: Roger Clark would like to drop off pumpkins to the kids in Town. Would like the Recreation committee to hand out candy, will coordinate with the Fire Dept For Halloween parade

Councillor Green; New fire hall construction is ongoing progress is being made by volunteers. There will be no Christmas dinner or New Years Eve dance due to Covid 19 concerns

Councillor Cartner: having been keeping in touch with Dr. Roedde and keeping an eye on the budget.

Councillor Blowe: see attached

Mayor Lefebvre: Mayors monthly report (see attached)

7.

CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTION ITEMS

A. Action Items

Accounts Payable and Payroll

Resolution No.: 20/092

Moved By: Jo-Anne Cartner

Seconded By: Sharon Gadoury-East

Be it resolved that the Town of Latchford declares approves attached payroll in the amount of \$36,279.76 for the period September 8th thru October 5th 2020 and accounts payable in the amount of \$160,553.40 and online bills in the amount of \$9703.64

CARRIED

Space X Internet

Resolution No.: 20/093

Moved By: Mike Brooks

Seconded By: Scott Green

WHEREAS community social and economic well-being is dependent on fast, reliable, and affordable broadband connectivity and better cellular coverage;

AND WHEREAS Municipal, Provincial and Federal Governments as well as healthcare, education and other sectors will continue to depend on the internet to communicate, provide services and ensure accessibility to information;

AND WHEREAS digital literacy skills are essential to collaborate, innovate, and compete both regionally and globally and require appropriate and affordable broadband;

AND WHEREAS the availability of broadband that is on par with larger, urban areas in Canada is essential for Northern Ontario to achieve economic sustainability and social well-being;

AND WHEREAS in 2016 the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) requests that the internet be designated as an essential service and those efforts are undertaken to ensure all municipalities have access to affordable, fast, and reliable broadband;

AND WHEREAS the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) agreed that an option to explore and hopefully support would be the Star link Program, by SpaceX.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the Town Of Latchford agrees that that Broadband is an essential service, and that the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) should allow SpaceX and other private ventures to compete with those presently acting in the communication field, as they have the private financial ability to move forward.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Federal Minister of Science, Innovation, and Economic Development, the Provincial Minister of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure, the Provincial Minister of Northern Development and Mines, the Canadian Radio-television Telecommunications Commission (CRTC), Northeastern MPs and MPPs, the Leaders of the Opposition Parties, and the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities.

CARRIED

8. Information Items

Resolution No. 20/094

Moved By: Sharon-Gadoury-East

Seconded By: Perry Livingston

Be it resolved that the following Information Items be noted and filed:

B. Information Items

- 1) Govt of Ontario plan for health and long term care
- 2) OPP financial services transportation grant
- 3) AMO 2019 gas tax fund report
- 4) Ministry of Municipal Affairs and safe restart agreement
- 5) Timiskaming Health Unit rules for workplaces
- 6) OPP billing for 2021
- 7) Ont. Aggregate corp. license fee disbursement
- 8) TMSA annual general meeting
- 9) Ministry of Solicitor General enforcement reopening act 2020.
- 10) Ministry of Municipal Affairs and housing parkland dedication.

CARRIED

09.

New Business:

Local Forest Management

Resolution No.: 20/095

Moved By: Mike Brooks

Seconded By: Scott Green

Whereas Council of Town Of Latchford received notification of a proposal to establish a local forest management corporation for the purpose of managing the Temagami Management Unit from the MNRF on August 21, 2020; and

Whereas the MNRF has posted a Voluntary Policy Proposal on the Environmental Registry (<https://ero.ontario.ca/019-2148>); and

Whereas Council received a presentation on October 15, 2020 from representatives of the Temagami Advisory Team regarding the establishment of a Local Forest Management Corporation for the Temagami Forest Unit; and

Whereas a request was made to Council to propose a prospective municipal board member, from the public, that meets many of the skills matrix requirements to sit on the LFMC to be approved through the Public Appointment Process; and

Whereas support from our four local First Nations, our four Industry partners, and our four Municipal partners, as per the letter attached, would be beneficial in supporting this initiative, as it proceeds through the governmental approval process.

Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Latchford hereby endorses the establishment of a local forest management corporation for the Temagami Management Unit as per attached correspondence.

CARRIED

10. BYLAWS:

Confirming By-Law

Resolution No: 20/096

Moved By: Jo-Anne Cartner

Seconded By: Perry Livingston

Be it resolved that By-Law No. 2019-026 being a by-law to confirm certain proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford for its regular meeting held October 15th 2020. Be taken as read a first, second, and third time and finally passed by Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford

CARRIED

11. Closed Session:

In-Camera

Resolution No.: 20/097

Moved By: Jo-Anne Cartner

Seconded By: Sharon Gadoury-East

Be it resolved that the Town of Latchford enter into a closed session meeting at 7:50pm To discuss the following matters as set out in the Municipal Act 2001, Section 239(2) Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or board employees

CARRIED

Resolution No.: 20/098

Moved By: Jo-Anne Cartner

Seconded By: Mike Brooks

Be it resolved that Council arise from closed meeting at 7:54pm

CARRIED

Appoint Jeff Barton

Resolution No: 20/099

Moved By: Mike Brooks

Seconded By: Scott Green

Be it resolved that the Corporation of The Town of Latchford supports the nomination of Jeff Barton as Municipal representative on the Local Forest Management Corporation. Temagami crown management unit.

CARRIED

12. ADJOURN

Resolution No. 20/100

Moved By: Sharon Gadoury-East

Seconded By: Jo-Anne Cartner

Be it resolved that Council now adjourn at 7:59 pm. Until the next regular meeting or call from the Mayor.

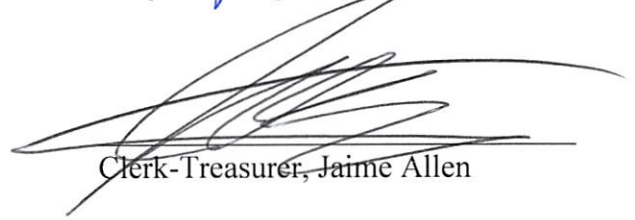
CARRIED

Minutes of Regular Council October 15th 2020.

Dated at Latchford this 15th
Of October 2020.



Mayor, George Lefebvre



Clerk-Treasurer, Jaime Allen

Public Works Report October 2020

Nothing too exciting to date . Both pick up and dump trailer have been safetied for the next year. The dump truck was also safetied at Pioneer. I did require a new tire and some brake work. The cost for this was around \$2000.00. I didn't have them do an oil change this time. I will purchase the supplies and have Chris Paige help me so it. This should help offset some of the safety expenses. We need to seriously look at a working reserve ! Things are not getting any newer around town. This includes the buildings. The museum roof is starting to show some wear signs !

I managed to fix up the pick up fender and clean up the rust spots. Hopefully this adds a few years before the rust shows up again. Hauled 20 loads of pit run to fill up around the fire hall addition. A few more loads are needed then I will haul some gravel to top dress then parking lot.

Hydrants have been flushed and water valves have been turned for the season.

Non draining hydrants have been winterized.

Waiting on Pat to start the dump shack. Hopefully he will have some time before the end of the month.

The remainder of October will be used to prepare the town for winter. Eg flags off poles , camp ground winterized , flower boxes and garden cleaned up , sander and plow installed on truck.

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Mayor's Report, October 15, 2020

Dam Operation

I am still waiting for contact information from Pete G. re a contact with the MNRF re the signage on the dam that is confusing law enforcement to the point of issuing a ticket to an innocent angler. I am awaiting a response from Helene Belanger with regards to a clearer message being posted on the PSPC signs at the dam that was promised last year.

Temiskaming Municipal Services Association

I attended the TMSA Annual General Meeting on September 17 and found it both interesting and beneficial. Chief Building Inspector Dave Barton made an excellent presentation on the steps required to be taken to declare a building unfit for occupancy and the process to follow in order to have it demolished. He supported his presentation with photos of different examples that he has dealt with which underlined why this process can become necessary. It all was well worth the trip to Earlton.

TVO project

This project actually was to provide an article for a daily TVO.org article and not for the TV channel itself. It was turned into a very positive article about our monthly newsletter and this is the link to read it: <https://www.tvos.org/article/how-one-tiny-ontario-town-makes-the-news>. It speaks highly of the effort to publish the Moose Call and the years that it has been in circulation. I think it reflects well on Latchford and the reporter, Josh Sherman, assured me he will be keeping our natural gas story for a future feature.

GLL

My report

1 message

OCT 15 2020

Francine Blowe <Francine.blowe@hotmail.com>
To: Gregory Boyce <gregoryboycela@gmail.com>, Jaime Allen <jallen@latchford.ca>

Thu, Oct 15, 2020 at 2:45 PM

Hi gentlemen. Sadly the cough and runny nose persists.

Here are the things I would like to report on.

Catch the Ace for History.

Recap of last lottery is as follows:

5 Museums participated resulting in \$300 per museum for lottery licence.

Draw went for 28 weeks. Ace of Spade winner got about \$14000

Total profit to House of Memories was \$4100

New lottery in underway with first draw being October 29th at 4pm.

4 Museums participating resulting in \$375 per museum for lottery licence.

Mining not participating because they are not open and not interested in participating.

Breakdown is as follows:

20% to weekly winner

30% to progressive jackpot

50% shared among Little Claybelt Homesteaders Museum, Haileybury Heritage Museum, House of Memories and The Bunker Military Museum.

Tickets are available in Latchford at the Dam Depot, George Lefebvre or Francine Blowe.

Literacy Council of South Temiskaming.

I have contacted Sue Hughes and have set up a meeting for next Friday.

Leonard Bowin has agreed to help me build the book huts, Literacy Council will supply all material.

Would suggest that we set up a book hut at the post office and the Town Office.

Halloween

Would like to see a kids parade on King Street with the kids receiving a loot bag at the end in lieu of trick or treating.

Happy to collect donations from anybody who wants to contribute as well as put the loot bags together.

Land closing

Land closing is scheduled for October 26th. Looking forward to next phase of planning.

Hope this helps.

Regards
Francine