CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LATCHFORD MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Thursday December 17th 2020 Latchford Community Recreation Center. At 7:00pm

1. Call to order and mayoral comments.

PRESENT:

Council: Mayor George Lefebvre, Councilors, Mike Brooks, Scott Green, Perry

Livingston, Sharon Gadoury, Jo-Anne Cartner, Francine Blowe.

Regrets

nil

Staff:

Jaime Allen, Clerk-Treasurer, Laurel Gadoury, Dep Tres-Dep-Clerk.

Public:

nil

Press:

Jamie Mountain, Temiskaming Speaker

1. Mayor Lefebvre called meeting to order.

2. Adoption of the agenda as circulated

Resolution No: 20/114

Moved By: Sharon Gadoury **Seconded By:** Jo-Anne Cartner

Be it resolved that the December 17th 2020 Agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

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

4. Adoption of the Minutes

Resolution No.: 20/115
Moved By: Mike Brooks
Seconded By: Francine Blowe

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Regular Council and incamera meeting held

November 19th 2020. Be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

5. DELEGATIONS / PRESENTATIONS: NIL

6. COUNCIL COMMITTEE/MAYOR/CLERK REPORTS:

Councillor P. Livingston: see attached

Councillor Brooks: Operation of WTP running smoothly new probe has been received and

will be installed shortly. MOE report all compliant.

Councillor Gadoury: see attached Councillor Green; see attached

Councillor Cartner: Locum to fill in for Dry Roade after the New Year. Set dates for 2021

budget Draft budget sheets for staff and Council

Councillor Blowe: No progress on ONR land .Getting quotes for worlds shortest covered

bridge. Catch the ace is up to week 9 Thank roger Clark for lights on Christmas tree

Mayor Lefebvre: Mayors monthly report (see attached)

7.

CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTION ITEMS

A. Action Items

Accounts Payable and Payroll

Resolution No.: 20/116

Moved By: Perry Livingston Seconded By: Francine Blowe

Be it resolved that the Town of Latchford declares approves attached payroll in the amount of \$44,633.64 for the period November 11th thru December 10th 2020 and accounts payable in the amount of \$162,200.98 and online bills in the amount of \$9412.14

CARRIED

8. Information Items

Resolution No. 20/117

Moved By: Mike Brooks

Seconded: Sharon Gadoury-East

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

B. Information Items

- 1. Ministry Of Finance property assessment
- 2. Ministry Of Infrastructure OCIF for 2021
- 3. Ministry of Attorney General changes to POA
- 4. FONOM conference 2021
- 5. Ministry Of Municipal Affairs (flexible response to COVID-19)
- 6. DTSSAB rent freezes due to COVID-19
- 7. Timiskaming Health Unit best practices for the workplace

CARRIED

09. New Business and Council discussion.

Council was in favour in pursuing fibreop internet service.

Highway 11 Maintenance. Resolution No.: 20/118

Moved By: Francine Blowe **Seconded By:** Jo-Anne Cartner

Whereas the manholes on Highway 11 in Latchford have become recessed and are causing a lot of noise and dropping ice and snow from transports.

Therefore be it resolved that Council for the Corporation of the Town Of Latchford respectfully request the Ministry Of Transport to affect the necessary repairs to correct the problem.

CARRIED

Surplus Equipment
Resolution No.: 20/119
Moved By: Scott Green
Seconded By: Francine Blowe

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford declares 1980 Ford Fire

Pumper as surplus and be offered for sale.

CARRIED

10. BYLAWS:

Land Sale:

Resolution No: 20/120
Moved By: Mike Brooks
Seconded By: Jo-Anne Cartner

Be it resolved that By-Law No. 2020-029 being a by-law to authorize the sale of lands to Scott and Jett Little for the sum of \$8000.00 plus HST. Be taken as read a first, second, and

third time and finally passed by Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford

CARRIED

Confirming By-Law Resolution No: 20/121

Moved By: Sharon Gadoury -East **Seconded By:** Jo-Anne Cartner

Be it resolved that By-Law No. 2020-030 being a by-law to confirm certain proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford for its regular meeting held December 17th 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. ADJOURN

Resolution No. 20/080

Moved By: Mike Brooks
Seconded By: Sharon Gadoury

Be it resolved that Council now adjourn at 7:14 pm. Until the next regular meeting or call

from the Mayor.

CARRIED

Dated at Latchford this 17th Of December 2020.

Clerk-Treasurer, Jaime Allen

George Lefebyre

The Town of Latchford Fire Department

73 Empire Street Box 10 POJ 1NO Latchford, Ontario

December 17, 2020

Fire Department update

- 1. The equipment from the old pumper has been transfer to our new one and the old one has been taken of the road. Wandering what you would like to do with it.
- 2. Looking for approval to perches a Honda Generator EU 2200 \$1,400.00 that is needed to run rescue equipment and work lights.

Fire hall update

The work on the fire hall is gradually coming along. The big doors and one back door have been installed. The North side door has been perches and on the list to be installed as well. Still some wiring to complete.

Fire Chief Mike Beaupre Perry,

Had the trailer on the laneway by Steve and Bonnies moved .

Continued brushing on Murphy mill road. Stopping now due to snow.

Plow and sander working fine.

Continuing to service and rebuild aqua flows.

Probably turn them on in the new year Hasn't been cold enough at this point.

Having 2 fire trucks in the shop is a pain in the butt! Now that town truck is parked outside at night I may continue to take town truck home at night during the winter. It is more convenient to only warm up one vehicle in the morning. I will plug it in at my place when required. That's if it's ok with council. I will use it for work purposes only.

I plowed the roads a bit wide this last snow but I will shrink them up so people don't drive in the ditches. The snow was so white and fluffy I couldn't get any contrast!

With the lack of snow to date I am caught up with most projects around town.

I think I may clear a patch of the lake by the town docks and see if I can't make a skating rink for the kids.

I started back blading the sliding hill and hopefully it will be ready to use when we get a little more snow.

I was incorrect last month! I had the wrong Sharon who tossed all my freezies and pop cycles! George please tell your wife that I'm coming for her lol!

Have a great Christmas everyone.

Roger

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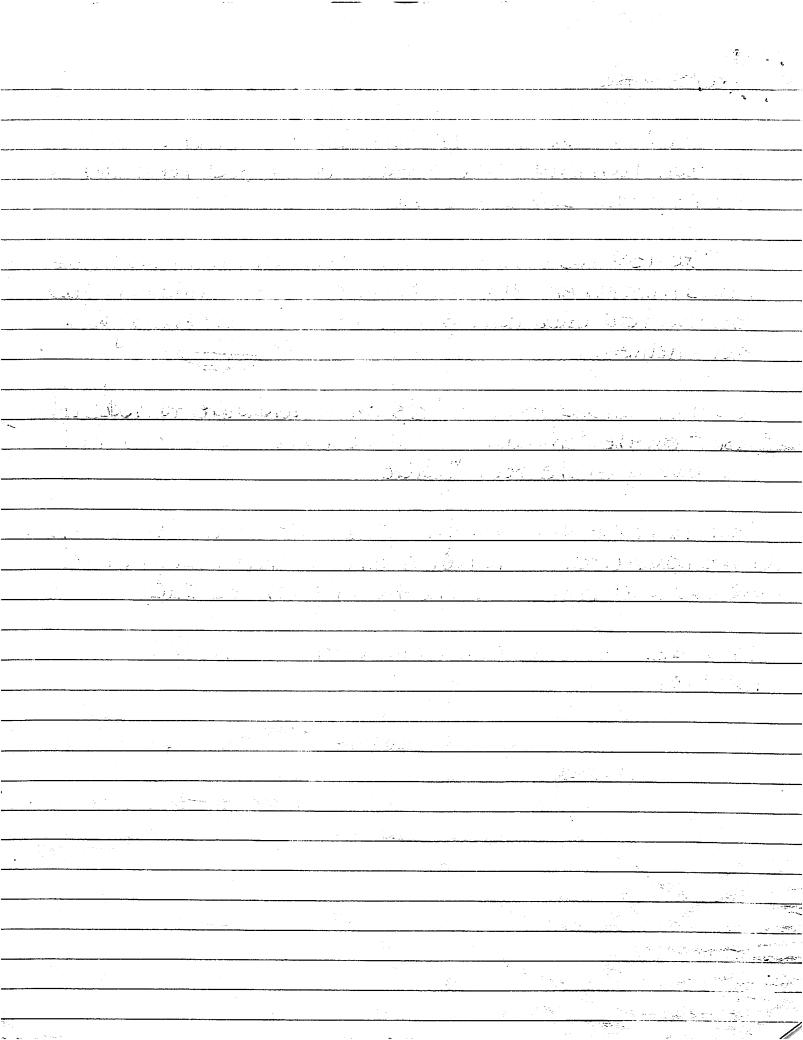
we had our tree lighting Dec. 11th and it was a good turnout. The speaker came out and took some pictures of our event.

Dec 13th we went out with volunteers and did our christinas cheer deliveries to the seniors - children. Had positive feed back and children - seniors were happy with their delivery.

will be working on our lists ahead for future to make it easier on the committee for future events with covid not going away in the near future.

Our next event is the fireworks New years Eve at 7 pm at the beach area. Fire works are ordered + flyers are now out and posted on the town facebook page.

DISSAB were are currently working on the budget.



Mayor's Report, December 17, 2020

Discovery Channel Documentary

This project seems to have taken on a life of its own and I am still getting requests from Lucy Adkins of Brite Spark Films, as recently as Tuesday. I had provided her with contact information for an engineer from the project and now she is looking for any digitized information we might have on the Sgt Aubrey Cosens VC Bridge and Aubrey himself. I pointed out to her that I had provided a wide array of photos and memorabilia to her film crew but they chose to ignore it. I suggested that she should contact CTV and MCTV Timmins as they had did extensive coverage of the dedication in 1986 and the failure in 2003. The documentary is scheduled for completion in mid 2021 and she has assured me we will get a copy.

Sgt Cosens Memorial Bridge Rebuild

I have been advised by various sources that a major rebuild of the Sgt Cosens Bridge is scheduled for anywhere from 2 to 5 years. As any rebuild of the bridge will involve crossing Town of Latchford property, in particular the Veteran's Park and we all know what happened to that area the last time. I will continue to attempt to get a firm understanding of when they propose to begin this project and what it will entail.

Dam Operation/PSPC Land

During the month I received my bi-monthly phone call from Ravi Sundaraj and John Ikonomopoulos to exchange concerns and issues. I expressed that the property survey seemed to be dragging and they mentioned that Helene would be advising me that they had found a pottery shard which was being reviewed. I acquired a picture of the shard and shared it with John Pollock and Ryan Primrose for their opinion. Ryan responded, "This appears to be 20th C. blue transferware, and of similar age to some of the 20th C. refuse we located during the Stage 2 work."

Helene further stated they are awaiting the R plan for the property to proceed with the transfer. On the good news front, Helene advised the new signs are ready for the dam and will be on site before Christmas and she will advise us as to when they will be installed.

Temagami Forest Management Corporation

The Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, John Yakabuski, notified the Temagami Forest Modernization Advisory Team on December 15 that the Temagami Forest Management Corporation had been formally approved. This morning at 10:00 am we had a 2 hour conference call. Initial municipal representation nominated for the Board of Directors, subject to confirmation by the Provincial Appointments Secretariat are Jeff Barton for Latchford, Elk Lake and Temiskaming Shore; and John Kenrick for Temagami.

Natural Gas Expansion to Latchford

I have placed calls to Wendy Landry of Enbridge Gas and to the office of Minister Bill Walker, Associate Minister of Energy, as to the status and timing of the announcement regarding the communities that will receive the service. As of this writing I am still awaiting a reply from either one. I remain convinced that no news is good news as everything has been delayed as the government responds to the pandemic.

Fibre-optics

Several residents have mentioned to me that with all the funding that is being touted as available to expand broadband services and whereas we have had limited success with the two broadband services that provide Latchford, it would be a good idea to explore the possibility of acquiring funding to assist our land line service provider to upgrade to fibre-optics. While this makes sense to me, I would appreciate hearing Councils thoughts.

GLL