

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LATCHFORD  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL  
Thursday January 21<sup>st</sup> 2021.  
At 6:30 p.m.**

**HELD BY TEL-CONFERENCE**

**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, Francine Blowe.

**Regrets** NIL

**Staff:** Jaime Allen, Clerk-Treasurer, Laurel Gadoury, Dep Tres-Dep-Clerk

**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: 21/001**

**Moved By:** Mike Brooks

**Seconded By:** Jo-Anne Cartner

**Be it resolved that** the January 21<sup>st</sup> 2021 Agenda be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

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

**4. Adoption of the Minutes**

**Resolution No.: 21/002**

**Moved By:** Francine Blowe

**Seconded By:** Sharon Gadoury-East.

**Be it resolved that** the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held December 17<sup>th</sup> 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. Yearly water report is on the agenda any questions you can contact Rico at the WTP. Also commented on COVID-19 19 and what a great job our district is doing in keeping the numbers low. Also commented on residents not picking up after there dogs

**Councillor Gadoury:** New Years Eve Fireworks went well and was well attended. Recreation Committee is planning on having a snow sculpture contest and winter carnival if COVID-19 19 is under control by March 2021.

**Councillor Blowe** gave an update on the ONR land that was purchased form the ONR and Museum board meeting

**Councillor Cartner:** see attached

**Mayor Lefebvre:** Mayors monthly report (see attached)

7.

**CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Action Items**

**Accounts Payable and Payroll**

**Resolution No.: 21/003**

**Moved By:** Jo-Anne Cartner

**Seconded By:** Perry Livingston

**Be it resolved that** the Town of Latchford declares approves attached payroll in the amount of \$32,238.48 for the period December 7<sup>th</sup> thru January 11<sup>th</sup> 2021 and accounts payable in the amount of \$146,626.74 and online bills in the amount of \$18,593.34

**CARRIED**

**Prov. Offences Advisory Committee.**

**Resolution No.: 21/004**

**Moved By:** Mike Brooks

**Seconded By:** Scott Green

**Be it resolved that** the Town of Latchford supports the nomination of Councillor Mathew Johnson of the Town of Cobalt to represent Temagami, Latchford, Coleman, Harris, Kerns, and Hudson Township. On the Provincial Offences Advisory Committee

**CARRIED**

**Increases in insurance rates to Municipalities.**

**Resolution No.: 21/005**

**Moved By:** Francine Blowe

**Seconded By:** Jo-Anne Cartner

**Be it resolved that** the Town of Latchford supports the Municipality of Charlton and Dack Council motion regarding large increases in insurance rates to Municipality (see attached)

**CARRIED**

**Support for the PHARMA Care Act.**

**Resolution No.: 21/006**

**Moved By:** Sharon Gadoury-East

**Seconded By:** Jo-Anne Cartner

**Be it resolved that the** Corporation of the Town of Latchford supports Member of Parliament Peter Julian, Of New Westminster- Burnaby, efforts to pass Bill C-213, An Act to enact the Canada Pharmacare Act. (As per attached)

**CARRIED**

8. **Information Items**

**Resolution No. 21/007**

**Moved By:** Scott Green

**Seconded By:** Mike Brooks

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

**B. Information Items**

- 1) General R Hillier Vaccine Task Force
- 2) John Vanthof Mpp. COVID-19 19 concerns
- 3) Ministry of Transportation. Off road vehicles regulations.
- 4) Latchford Annual Water Treatment Report 2020.
- 5) Latchford Annual Sewage Treatment Report 2020.
- 6) Anthony Rota MP. Safe restart agreement.
- 7) Ministry of Solicitor General amendments to Police Services Act.
- 8) Ministry of Solicitor General changes to Reopening Ont Act 2020.
- 9) Ministry of Municipal Affairs enforcement under reopening Ont Act.

- 10) Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services (poverty reduction)
- 11) Physician recruitment and retention Committee member.

**CARRIED**

**09.**

**New Business and Council discussion**

**Purchase of laptops.**

**Resolution No.: 21/008**

**Moved By:** Sharon Gadoury-East

**Seconded By:** Jo-Anne Cartner

**Be it resolved that** the Corporation of The Town of Latchford approves as per attached quote from Quantum Xpress, the purchase of laptops for Council and Staff in the amount of \$10,844.82 plus hst. Funds to purchase these laptops will come from COVID 19 relief fund.

**CARRIED**

**Marina Docks.**

**Resolution No.: 21/009**

**Moved By:** Mike Brooks

**Seconded By:** Francine Blowe

**Be it resolved that** the Corporation of The Town of Latchford agrees to release the eastern most docks at the Marina to Glen Brown for his use and ownership on the condition he rehabilitates it.

**CARRIED**

Councillor Blowe made an inquiry regarding the Towns website

**10. BYLAWS:**

**Interim tax levy**

**Resolution No: 21/009**

**Moved By:** Mike Brooks

**Seconded By:** Jo-Anne Cartner

**Be it Resolved that bylaw No. 2021-001** being a by-law to provide for an interim tax levy and water, sewage, connection and frontage charges for 2021. Be taken as read a first, second and third time and finally passed by Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford.

**CARRIED**

**Borrowing Bylaw**

**Resolution No: 21/010**

**Moved By:** Sharon Gadoury-East

**Seconded By:** Perry Livingston

**Be it resolved that** bylaw No. **2021-002** being a by-law to authorize borrowing funds from time to time from the Bank of Nova Scotia, to be taken as read a first, second and third time and finally passed by Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford.

**CARRIED**

**Appoint an Auditor**

**Resolution No: 21/011**

**Moved By:** Jo-Anne Cartner

**Seconded By:** Scott Green

**Be it resolved that** By-Law No. **2021-003** being a by-law to appoint Kemp, Elliott and Blair as Auditors for the Town of Latchford for 2021. 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: 21/012**

**Moved By:** Francine Blowe

**Seconded By:** Sharon Gadoury-East

**Be it resolved that** By-Law No. **2021-004** being a by-law to confirm certain proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford for its regular meeting held January 21<sup>st</sup> 2021. 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. 22/013**

**Moved By:** Mike Brooks

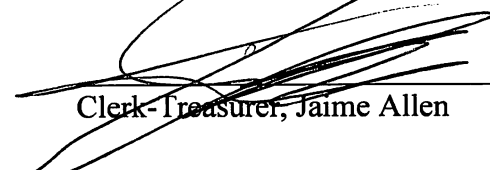
**Seconded By:** Jo-Anne Cartner

**Be it resolved that** Council now adjourn at 7:37 pm. Until the next regular meeting or call from the Mayor.

**CARRIED**

Dated at Latchford this 21<sup>st</sup>  
Of January 2021.

  
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Mayor, George Lefebvre

  
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Clerk-Treasurer, Jaime Allen

January 21st, 2021

Report from Councillor Jo-Anne Cartner

### Medical Clinic

Since the lockdown, there have been a few changes to the clinic's schedule. The clinic's operating hours are now 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Monday to Thursday. Dr. Roedde is seeing fewer patients; mainly the elderly and prenatal patients otherwise, she continues to consult with her patients by phone. Dr. Durocher continues to assist at the clinic one or two days a week.

The clinic will still host two medical students; one during the last two weeks of February and one in March for two weeks. The blood clinic has now been changed to Thursdays between 10 and 11 a.m. by appointment only for those patients that have difficulty booking appointments or going to Lifelabs in New Liskeard.

### Finance

Laurel has provided copies of the draft 2021 budget worksheet. There may be a few adjustments once the audit has been completed but it shouldn't make much of an impact on the worksheet provided. I would like to suggest that Rico and Mike, as well as each committee chair, review their area of responsibility and give Laurel or Jaime their budget needs so the budget process can continue to move forward. Roger has given Laurel his budget change. I would like to present a budget that is as close to final as possible when we finally get together.

Thank you.

**Mayor's Report, January 21, 2021**

**Sgt Cosens Memorial Bridge Rebuild/Manhole Issue on Highway 11**

I have been unsuccessful in getting additional information relative to the bridge rebuild but haven't pushed the issue as a letter was sent to the MTO relative to the issue with depressed manholes on Highway 11 through Latchford. I felt it best to work on resolving that issue rather than start another "fire" with MTO. The letter sent was forwarded internally to the individual that has replaced the previously responsible MTO engineer.

**Dam Operation/PSPC Land**

I called Helene Belanger during the month after providing her with the opinion of Dr John Pollock and Ryan Primrose relative to the pottery shard their surveyor had "discovered". I also sent an electronic copy of the "Walking Tour of Sawdust City" to their Toronto office at their request. To date I have heard nothing further back but my next scheduled call with Ravi Sundaraj and John Ikonomopoulos is scheduled for February 3 so will follow at that level then.

**Temagami Forest Management Corporation**

This effort continues to move forward rapidly but my participation is primarily by conference calls.

**Natural Gas Expansion to Latchford**

After unsuccessful attempts to contact Wendy Landry of Enbridge without success, I moved up the ladder and emailed Penny Stefura who then referred me to Sonia Fazari who directed me to Kristen Oliver, the "new" Wendy Landry. Ms Oliver emailed me this morning confirming that nothing has been announced with respect to the expansion program but that she will definitely keep us apprised. I will forward her the YouTube video we had done to brief her on our efforts.

**Fibre-optics**

You have all received the email from Jaime this morning indicating that he had reached out to Paul Ouimet of NEOnet after not being able to speak to anyone at Northern Telephone and not from lack of trying. While it is not the desired fibre-optics, I think it warrants following up on.

GLL

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**January council update**

1 message

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**Roger Clark** <rogclark313@gmail.com>

Tue, Jan 19, 2021 at 8:00 PM

To: Perry Livingston &lt;pliv676@gmail.com&gt;, Jaime Allen &lt;jallen@latchford.ca&gt;

Perry ,

It has been business not as usual ! The lack of snow this winter and mild temperatures has made this report quite boring! Other than plowing and sanding a few times not much has gone on. Equipment is all serviced and in good working order and shop is organized , well as organized as it can be with two fire trucks taking up all the space lol.

Aqua flows are on and working. I rebuilt , cleaned and repaired quite a few units this year and I'm out of most parts. This years order will break the \$2500 budget and I will be closer to \$3200. I have been able to refurbish a lot of parts but the new company that has taken over the aqua flows does not sell all the small individual parts. You have to buy the complete assembly. This has driven up the costs for my stock this year.

Had water service breaks at Louie's brothers place in the basement and at the restaurant this December. I had the restaurant water off but there must have been some sediment in the valve and it didn't seat properly. No harm it only came apart at the compression fitting under the restaurant.

Other than that I have have been using up some banked hours and trapping.

Sent from my iPhone