

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LATCHFORD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
Thursday September 23rd 2021
LATCHFORD COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTRE
At 7:00 p.m.**

1. Call to order and mayoral comments.

PRESENT:

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

Regrets: , Laurel Gadoury, Dep Tres. Deputy Clerk.

Staff: Jaime Allen, Clerk-Treasurer.

Public: nil

Press: Darlene Wroe, Temiskaming Speaker.

1. Mayor Lefebvre called meeting to order.

2. Adoption of the agenda as circulated

Resolution No: 21/105

Moved By: Jo-Anne Cartner

Seconded By: Sharon Gadoury-East

Be it resolved that the September 23rd 2021. Agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

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

4. Adoption of the Minutes

Resolution No.: 21/106

Moved By: Sharon Gadoury-East

Seconded By: Perry Livingston

Be it resolved that the minutes of the regular and in camera council meeting held September 23rd 2021. Be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

5. DELEGATIONS / NIL

6. COUNCIL COMMITTEE/MAYOR/CLERK REPORTS:

Councillor Livingston: see attached

Councillor Brooks: All good at the water plant the operators were busy doing training new computer has been installed and ph level monitor

Councillor Gadoury- East Fire Dept wants to have a pancake breakfast in October and will help with trick or treat distribution.

Councillor Blowe: Working on phone directory, some residents on Murphy Mill Road have concerns regarding new stop sign.

Councillor Green: see attached

Councillor Cartner: A locum will be covering for the doctor while she is on vacation A medical student will be starting in the clinic in two weeks. Clinic will see unvaccinated patients following covid guidelines if needed

Mayor Lefebvre: Mayors monthly report (see attached)

7.

CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTION ITEMS

A. Action Items

1. **Accounts Payable and Payroll**

Resolution No.: 21/107

Moved By: Jo-Anne Cartner

Seconded By: Mike Brooks

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford approves attached payroll in the amount of \$45,104.95 and accounts payable in the amount of \$44,566.32 For the period August 19th thru September 17th 2021.

CARRIED

2.

Truth and Reconciliation Recognition

Resolution No.: 21/108

Moved By: Scott Green

Seconded By: Jo-Anne Cartner

WHEREAS the Truth and Reconciliation Commission released its final report on June 2, 2015, which included 94 Calls to Action to redress the legacy of residential schools and advance the process of Canadian reconciliation;

AND WHEREAS the recent discoveries of remains and unmarked graves across Canada have led to increased calls for all levels of government to address the recommendations in the TRC's Calls to Action;

AND WHEREAS all Canadians and all orders of government have a role to play in reconciliation;

AND WHEREAS Recommendation #80 of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission called upon the federal government, in collaboration with Aboriginal peoples, to establish, as a statutory holiday, a National Day for Truth and Reconciliation to ensure that public commemoration of the history and legacy of residential schools remains a vital component of the reconciliation process;

AND WHEREAS the Federal Government has announced September 30th, 2021, as the first National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (National Orange Shirt Day) and a statutory holiday.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Latchford does hereby commit to recognizing September 30th, 2021, as the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (National Orange Shirt Day) by sharing the stories of residential school survivors, their families, and communities.

CARRIED

8. Information Items

Resolution No. 21/109

Moved By Sharon Gadoury-East

Seconded By Mike Brooks

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

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Information Items

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

1. Timiskaming Health Unit vaccination requirements effective Sept 22nd 2021.
2. DTSSAB Quarterly Report 2021
3. Ministry Of Municipal Affairs Site Plan Control Guide.
4. Ministry of Northern Development and Mines, exploration permits.
5. Ministry of Northern Development and Mines, slash pile burning

CARRIED

09. New Business: Council discussed allowing a mobile home on a vacant lot

Surplus

Resolution No. 21/110

Moved By Francine Blowe

Seconded By Jo-Anne Cartner

Be it resolved that the Town of Latchford declares piano donated to the Town of Latchford be declared surplus and offered up for sale

10. BY-LAWS:

Confirming by-law.

Resolution No 21/111

Moved By: Perry Livingston

Seconded By: Scott Green

Be it resolved that By-Law No. **2021-022** being a by-law to confirm certain proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford for its regular meeting held September 23rd 2021. Be taken as read a first, second, and third time and finally passed by Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford

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11. IN-CAMERA.

Move In camera

Resolution No 21/112

Moved By: Mike Brooks

Seconded By: Scott Green

Be it resolved that the Council for the Town of Latchford enter into closed meeting at 7:22pm to discuss the following matters as set out in the Municipal Act, 2001 Section 239

*** Personal matters about an identifiable individual including municipal or board employees**

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Arise from closed session

Resolution No 21/113

Moved By: Mike Brooks

Seconded By: Perry Livingston

Be it resolved that the Council for the Town of Latchford arise from closed session at 8:06 pm.

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12. ADJOURN

Resolution No. 21/114

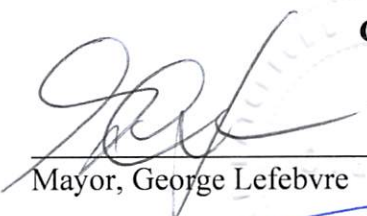
Moved By: Mike Brooks

Seconded By: Sharon-Gadoury-East

Be it resolved that Council now adjourn at 8:09 pm. Until the next regular meeting or call from the Mayor.

CARRIED

Dated at Latchford this 23rd day
Of September 2021.



Mayor, George Lefebvre



Clerk-Treasurer, Jaime Allen

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Mayor's Report, September 23, 2021

Latchford Health Centre

I have been notified by Dr Gretchen Roedde that she will be leaving her position as Doctor at the Latchford Health Centre effective March 31, 2022. I have notified all of you by email of this decision and while I have not had a formal letter of resignation from her at this point which she indicated was forthcoming, I have had several phone calls with her and she does not appear to be wavering in her decision but assured me that she would work with us in helping to find a replacement. She is presently out of Country on a one-week vacation and her practice is being covered by Dr Churman, by phone consultations only, I am told.

Museum Roof

We have yet to receive an update on our application for funding on the Museum roof replacement which Jaime attributes to the shut down of government services during the election.

Public Service and Procurement Canada

I had my regular bi-monthly phone call on September 14 with Ravi Sundaraj and John Ikonopolis and again, movement on the property transfer is lagging because of the Federal election. You will note that a major undertaking is presently underway with the installation of a permanent safety buoy immediately up-river of the Latchford Dam. This safety buoy is intended to stay in water over the winter and through freshet. I hate to be a sceptic but I remain unconvinced that this will withstand the spring ice.

Phone Call from the Netherlands

On September 14, I received a phone call from Jacques Sevant in the Netherlands and It was to advise me that he had taken a photograph of Groesbeek Cemetery, where Sgt Aubrey Cosens VC is buried, and has had it framed and is sending it to me via courier for display in the Town Office or the Legion. While I reacted negatively to his call at first thinking it was someone soliciting my vote, we had a very cordial conversation and exchanged emails since. He has extended an invitation for anyone descended from Canadian soldiers that served in the Netherlands who wish to visit Groesbeek that he would be willing to host them. His Linked-in page indicates he is an executive in Ing Bank so his words of invitation do not ring hollow, so to speak.

Documentary on Sgt Cosens VC Bridge Failure

That documentary, which I near froze to death participating in last November, has finally aired on the Cottage Life Channel. True to what I was told by some engineering types, it was in a series called "engineering catastrophes". I came across as frozen, which I was, after making 5 trips up the Cosens' monument hill (none of which appeared in the documentary), standing in the wind on the boardwalk and touring the town in my car

with two guys from the then, hot bed of covid cases, trying to promote Latchford. None of which escaped the cutting room floor!

Alternative to Natural Gas for Latchford

Councillor Brooks brought to my attention a conversation he had with Bill Ramsay of New Liskeard whom many of you know. Bill mentioned to Mike that as we were encountering considerable difficulty acquiring natural gas for Latchford and as Mike indicated, senior government is threatening to suspend the use of all fossil fuels in Canada in approximately 30 years, we should examine alternatives such as geothermal. Which is used to heat and cool this very building. Our heat/cooling source could be Bay Lake and we would act as a pilot for this concept in other communities in Canada for this type of "district" heating. District heating, while not necessarily geothermal sourced, is common in towns in many European countries.

GLL

Public Works Report September 2021.

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Grass growth is slowing down and will be switching into fall mode shortly. I believe the beach storage shed will be full again this year.

The girls beach bathroom has been painted and I plan on painting the guy's bathroom this week.

If anyone hasn't grabbed some corn or beans from the community garden please do so!

I will pressure wash the cenotaph steps and maple leaf before I put away the garden hoses for the season.

The pickup and dump trailer are due for their annual safety inspections. Wyatt will be looking at the trailer this week and the truck next week. Truck has some rust spots I will fix up in October.

All hydrants have been painted.

Had a Ministry of Labor visit last week. No orders were written but we discussed items that should be looked into. She has provided me with some links and literature to go over. This will assist in making the necessary changes. I may need a fire rated cabinet in the shop for all flammable products. Looking for a used one on line.

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The Town of Latchford Fire Department

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Fire Department update

1. Had an auto extrication practice with our new to us equipment that was donated by the Inner Kip Fire Department.
2. The Duck race tickets sold 399 and had a good turnout considering Covt.
3. Received an email from Jesse Lockie who is a Fire Fighter with the Bracebridge Fire Department asking if Latchford would be interested in some BA. Gave him a call back and we will be receiving 4 Scott BA with bottles.
4. In September meeting Roger Clark was promoted to Captain
5. Have taking on two new members John McNaughton and William Blowe both Latchford residents'.

Fire hall update

We took a work break for the summer moths so we could attend to our own home jobs. Will soon start dry walling and heating instillation.

Fire Chief
Mike Beaupre