

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LATCHFORD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 18TH 2014.**

At 7:00 p.m.

HELD AT THE LATCHFORD COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTRE

1. Call to order and mayoral comments.

PRESENT:

Council: Mayor George Lefebvre, Councilors Larry Anderson, Jo-Anne Cartner, Maxine Cannon, Theo Cull and Scott Green

Regrets: Councilor, Dave Willcock

Staff: Jaime Allen, Clerk, Lise Remillard, CFO.

Public: Seven members of the Public

Press: Darlene Wroe, Temiskaming Speaker, Jim Patrick, CJTT

1. Mayor Lefebvre called meeting to order.

2. Adoption of the agenda as circulated

Resolution No.: 14/129

Moved By: Theo Cull

Seconded By: Jo-Anne Cartner

Be it resolved that the September 18th 2014 Agenda be adopted as circulated and amended.

CARRIED

**3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST/CONFLICT OF INTEREST
(COUNCILLOR CARTNER ITEM NUMBER IINCAMERA SPOUSE OF
EMPLOYEE)**

4. Adoption of the Minutes

Resolution No.: 14/130

Moved By: Jo-Anne Cartner

Seconded By: Theo Cull

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Regular and in camera Council meeting of August 21st 2014 Be adopted as circulated by the Clerk.

CARRIED

5. DELEGATIONS/ PRESENTATIONS: NIL

6. COUNCIL COMMITTEE/MAYOR/CLERK REPORTS:

Councillor Cull: See attached

Councillor Anderson: Reviewed quote for plow for Public Works ½ ton with Council,
Good idea for backup if the plow breaks down.

Councillor Cartner: ATV Rally being put on at Coleman Township Sept.20th 2014

Councillor Green: Attended a ceremony in Elk Lake honoring northern excellence
organized by Reeve of Elk Lake Terry Fiset, And Mayor Lefebvre

Mayor Lefebvre: Mayors monthly report (see attached)

7. CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTION ITEMS

A. ACTION ITEMS

1. Municipal Council Fit Contract Resolution.

Resolution No.: 14/131

Moved By: Theo Cull

Seconded By: Jo-Anne Cartner

WHEREAS capitalized terms not defined herein have the meaning ascribed to them in the FIT RULES, Version 3.0.

AND WHEREAS the Provinces Fit Program encourages the construction and operation of rooftop and ground mount solar PV generation projects ("the Projects")

AND WHEREAS ON OR MORE Projects may be constructed and operated in THE TOWN OF LATCHFORD.

AND WHEREAS, pursuant to the FIT RULES, version 3.0. Applications whose projects receive the formal support of Local Municipalities will be awarded Priority Points, which may result in these Applicants being offered a FIT contract prior to other Persons applying for FIT Contracts:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Council of the Corporation of The Town of Latchford supports the construction and operation of the Projects anywhere in The Town of Latchford.

The resolutions sole purpose is to enable the participants in the FIT program to receive priority points under the Fit Program and may not be used for the purpose of any other form of Municipal approval in relation to the Application or projects or any other purpose

CARRIED

Surplus Boat

2. Resolution No.: 14/132

Moved By: Theo Cull

Seconded By: Jo-Anne Cartner

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town Of Latchford declares 16 foot aluminum boat with 1999 Mercury 25hp be declared surplus, and advertised for sale at a price of \$2500.00

CARRIED

3. Council Meeting date for October 2014

Resolution No.: 14/133

Moved By: Jo-Anne Cartner

Seconded By: Theo Cull

Be it resolved that the Corporation of The Town of Latchford sets the regular Council meeting date for the month of October to be October 9th 2014. Due to upcoming Municipal election on October 27th 2014.

CARRIED

4. Information Items

Resolution No. 14/134

Moved By: Larry Anderson

Seconded By: Theo Cull

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

B. Information Items

1. Environmental Commissioner of Ontario (Bill of Rights)
2. Coleman Township Power Dam payment program.
3. Northern Ont. Heritage Fund invitation.
4. Thank You card (Jaime Allen)
5. Trans Canada routine pipeline maintenance.
6. Timiskaming Health Unit June 25th 2014 minutes
7. Mock exercise with OPA and MNR

CARRIED

08. NEW BUSINESS:

Councillor Cannon: discussed concerns regarding the ONR Cemetery

Located on Murphy Mill Road, it was suggested that volunteers would be recruited to clear brush

Councillor Cull: proposed instead of buying a plow for Public Works truck, check with other Municipalities to share equipment in case Latchfords plow does break down

09. BY-LAWS

Confirming bylaw

Resolution No 14/135

Moved By: Jo-Anne Cartner

Seconded By: Theo Cull

Be it resolved that By-Law No. 2014-21 being a by-law to confirm certain proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford for Council meeting held September 18th 2014. Be taken as read a first, second, and third time and finally passed by Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford.

CARRIED

10. INCAMERA

Resolution No. 14/136

Moved By: Theo Cull

Seconded By: Jo-Anne Cartner

Be it resolved that Council for the Town of Latchford enter into a closed meeting at 7:45pm 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.

***Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board

CARRIED

Resolution No. 14/137

Moved By: Jo-Anne Cartner

Seconded By: Theo Cull

Be it resolved that Council now arise from closed meeting@ 8:02 PM

CARRIED

Resolution No. 14/138

Moved By: Scott Green

Seconded By: Larry Anderson

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town Of Latchford approves increase for part-time Staff (employees) to \$12.00 (twelve dollars) an hour effective September 15th 2014.

CARRIED

****Councillor Cartner declared a conflict of interest spouse of an employee****

11.

ADJOURN

Resolution No. 14/139


Moved By: Theo Cull

Seconded By: Jo-Anne Cartner

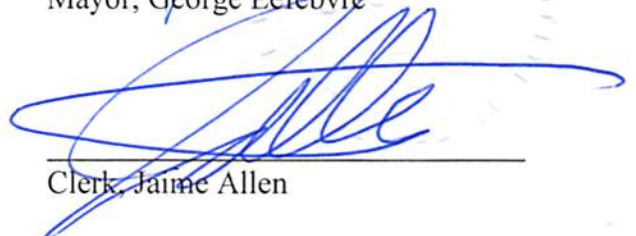
Be it resolved that Council now adjourn at 8:06 p.m. until the next regular meeting or call from the Mayor.

CARRIED

Dated at Latchford this 18th day
Of September 2014



Mayor, George Lefebvre



Clerk, Jaime Allen

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REPORT

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SEP 11 2014

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My Copy

Mayor's Report, September 18, 2014

Latchford Control Dam Project

The partnership of Timiskaming & Temagami F.N.'s, Coleman Township and Latchford, have retained the services of Bill Touzel of Blumetric to meet with Colin Digout of WPG regarding feasibility of acquiring the FIT contract. Each partners share is \$450.00 for this effort by Bill and he and Jeff Barton prepared the required non-disclosure agreement which has been signed. It is his hope to meet with Bill this week.

The tenders for the dam's reconstruction were released on Tuesday and can be viewed by going to: www.buyandsell.gc.ca . The good news is that they close on October 28 and there will be a site visit for prospective bidders on October 07.

I received a request from Jay Aspin on September 13 to outline topics for discussion when he meets with PWGSC this week. I forwarded the following to him:

The following points presented on behalf of the Town would be most appreciated:

1. The operation of the new dam should utilize the Town of Latchford Public Works employees so as to best promptly respond to high flow incidents which are becoming much more frequent. The lag time of getting operators to travel from Temiskaming, QC to Latchford (2.5 hrs minimum) has become a real concern to the Town and our residents. Our Public Works Staff includes an industrial electrician and is capable of responding to any issue that should arise with the new dam and in a very timely manner. Direction as to operation could continue to come from PWGSC in Hull with an appropriate level of compensation provided to the Town for this activity. It would result in considerable savings to PWGSC. The dam was operated locally for the first 50 years of its existence so it worked before and can again.
2. While it is accepted that a reasonable amount of land within the area of the new dam should be held by PWGSC, much land was expropriated by PW at the time of constructing the present dam. All non-dam use PWGSC lands within the Town of Latchford should be returned to the Town at no cost. This would allow the Town to transfer title for small strips of land between private land owners and the water's edge in a gesture similar to what the MNR offered waterfront land owners in Latchford a few years ago. It also results in the property owner's assessment reflecting the fact they are waterfront properties and would open up some waterfront for development.
3. As we are informed that the Latchford Control Dam is on the divestiture list for PWGSC, the Town does not wish to see operation of it fall under private ownership and are prepared to enter discussions as to how it could feasibly have ownership transferred to the Town. At no time can the Town accept transfer of ownership of this asset to private or non-public hands

Fuel Wood Situation/Flood Advisory

I had a map prepared outlining a preferred and reasonable location for fuel wood harvesting to provide for the needs of Latchford residents. I presented this to John Vanthof's office and was encouraged to first present it to the MNRF in North Bay. If we cannot get a satisfactory resolution by going that route, we are to get back to John's office and they will provide assistance to help us realize our objective.

There is another issue that has to be brought to the MNRF and that is regarding the non-communication they provide with regard to flood watch and warning advisories. The most recent advisory was routed to the Town by Marcel Pelchat of the OPG office in Timmins. None of the municipalities along the river received this notice directly from MNRF. I directed email enquiries to both the Service Water Monitoring Centre in Peterborough and the District Office in North Bay questioning why we had not received this vital notice and while I did eventually get a response, they did not provide an explanation as to why they were a day late with their notice to us. I would like Council's authorization to make an appointment with Don Farintosh, Management Forester and Randy McLaren of Resource Operations and meet with them in North Bay to seek resolution to these two issues.

OPG Emergency Response Exercise

I think it safe to say that both Jaime and I were not particularly overwhelmed by the manner in which this exercise was conducted. Communication with Latchford was much as anticipated but the other communities (Elk Lake, Coleman and Temiskaming Shores) received very little if any communication. A de-briefing meeting is definitely in order and there is one scheduled in the City of Temiskaming Shores on October 22 so hopefully we can get some answers at that time.

Power Dam Compensatory Payments

To date there has been no communication received from the Ministry of Finance as was indicated to occur during our conference call.

GLL