

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LATCHFORD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
THURSDAY February 21st 2013.
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, Theo Cull, Jo-Anne Cartner, Scott Green, and Dave Willcock

Regrets: Councilor Cannon

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

Public: Two Public.

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

1. Mayor Lefebvre called meeting to order.

2. Adoption of the agenda as circulated

Resolution No.: 13/1123

Moved By: Larry Anderson

Seconded By: Theo Cull.

Be it resolved that the February 21st 2013, Agenda be adopted as circulated and amended.

CARRIED

3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST/CONFLICT OF INTEREST

**Councilor Willcock: Information items # Three (3) Report from Pauline Pelangio
By-law No: 13/1236 Former Scandia Inn Sale, I would like it recorded, that I declared
a conflict of interest during the e-mail vote of February 6th,
and that I did not participate in any discussion with any council or staff member
regarding this matter, and can leave the room during bylaw 13/1236 and info item #3"**

4. Adoption of the Minutes

Resolution No.: 13/1124

Moved By: Theo Cull

Seconded By: Larry Anderson

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Committee of the whole and Regular Council Meeting held January 16th and January 17th 2013 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

5. DELEGATIONS / PRESENTATIONS: NIL

6. COUNCIL COMMITTEE/MAYOR/CLERK REPORTS:

Councillor Cull: see attached

Councillor Willcock: see attached

Councillor Anderson: see attached

Councillor Cartner: see attached.

Councillor Green: see attached
Mayor Lefebvre: Mayors monthly report (see attached)

7. CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTION ITEMS

A. Action Items

- 1. Approve CGIS Application**
Resolution No.: 13/1125
Moved By: Scott Green
Seconded By: Larry Anderson

WHEREAS there is an overwhelming demand for current, accurate and complete data and information with respect to planning, building, development and asset management:

AND WHEREAS there are a number of area municipalities, and the public health unit, participating in a centralized information sharing program being developed by CGIS Spatial Solutions;

AND whereas there is funding available to offset the costs for acquisition of software, hardware, program technicians and the input of data, through the NOHFC and FEDNOR;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town Of Latchford agrees to a commitment in principle (pending successful funding) with CGIS for the provision of the Two (2) Year BASIS Service package at a price of \$2,810 per year and then once funding is obtained, the two year CGIS REGULAR service contract will be initiated

CARRIED

- 2. Temagami-Cobalt- Corridor Website.**
Resolution No.: 13/1126
Moved By: Larry Anderson.
Seconded By: Scott Green

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford approves Temagami-Cobalt Corridor committee to apply to Neonet's beam funding for website development, which will pay up to 75% of the cost up to \$5000.00(five thousand dollars) Each of the four Communities will be responsible for \$300.00(three hundred dollars each).

CARRIED

- 3. Geotechnical Compilation Project**
Resolution No.: 13/1127
Moved By: Scott Green
Seconded By: Larry Anderson

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford approves phase one application with both Fed-Nor and NOHDC for geotechnical compilation project. With each Municipality Cobalt, Coleman, Latchford and Temagami responsible

4. Payroll and General Bills

Resolution No.: 13/1128

Moved By: Theo Cull

Seconded By: Scott Green

That the following Payroll in the amount of \$27,041.06 and General Bills in the amount of \$74,410.88 for the period January 17th 2013 to February 20th 2013, be passed and paid on behalf of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford.

CARRIED

8. Information Items

Resolution No. 13/1129

Moved By: Theo Cull

Seconded By: Larry Anderson

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

B. Information Items

1. Ministry of Finance hydro generating stations.
2. Thank you card from Remillard Family.
3. Pauline Pelangio Scandia report.
4. Ministry of the Environment Sewage inspection reports.
5. John Hodgson consideration for selection.
6. TeMAG minutes from February 2nd Meeting
7. District of Timiskaming Social Services Admin. Brd housing grant.
8. Camp Designs proposal for Town sculpture.
9. Ontario Power Generation update.
10. Rosalie A Evans Municipal Legal and Admin. Services.
11. OPP Police Costing estimates.
12. The Explorationist newsletter.
13. Resolutions of support from various Municipalities.
14. Temagami-Cobalt- Corridor, December minutes.

CARRIED

09. ONGOING BUSINESS:

Council discussed Latchford Dam replacement report.

10. NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Council Discussed 911 Draft Agreement.
- 2) Council will discuss donation to St. Patrick School at next Budget meeting
- 3) Councillor Cannon asked about Public Forum regarding Town Finances will discuss at next Budget Meeting.

5. Rescind Resolution: 08/498 Regarding Cold Water Hydro.

Resolution No.: 13/1130

Moved By: Larry Anderson

Seconded By: Scott Green

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the Town of Latchford rescinds Resolution 08/498 dated October 23rd 2008. Which states the following?

WHEREAS Douglas Kane of Cold Water Hydro made a presentation at the October 9th Committee of the Whole Meeting with respect to development of the Latchford Dam as the first North American Demonstration Site using a new technology – VLH turbines to produce electricity.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford fully supports in **principal** the Cold Water Hydro Corporation's proposed project at the Latchford Dam on the Montreal River; and that the Clerk be directed to contact CWH to discuss setting a meeting regarding the offer made by CWH to commit to ensure jobs are created locally and supplies where appropriate be purchased locally.

CARRIED

11. BY-LAWS

Resolution No 13/1131

Moved By: Theo Cull

Seconded By: Larry Anderson

Be it resolved that By-Law No. 13/1235 being a by-law to deem lots 197 and 201 and whereas the Corporation of the Town of Latchford wishes to deem lots 197 and 201 on Plan M57NB.

.Not to be within a registered plan subdivision for the purposes of subsection 50(3) of the Planning Act RSO 1990 as amended. Be taken as read a first, second, and third time and finally passed by Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford.

CARRIED

Resolution No 13/1132

Moved By: Theo Cull

Seconded By: Scott Green

Be it resolved that By-Law No. 13/1236 being a bylaw to authorize the sale of lands to 2134536 Ontario Inc. (Gilles Limit BLK PT RP 54R 1163 Part PCLS, 16993, 17891.SST former Scandia Inn) for the price of \$50,000.00 (fifty thousand dollars).Be taken as read a first, second and third time and finally passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Town Latchford

CARRIED

****COUNCILOR WILLCOCK DECLARED A CONFLICT OF INTEREST,
AND LEFT THE MEETING. *****

****Councillor returned to the meeting after Resolution number 13/1132 passed.****

Resolution No 13/1133

Moved By: Dave Willcock

Seconded By: Theo Cull

Be it resolved that By-Law No. 13/1237 being a by-law to provide for an interim tax levy, and water, sewage connection and frontage charges for 2013.Be taken as read a first, second, and third time and finally passed by Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford.

CARRIED

Resolution No 13/1134

Moved By: Theo Cull

Seconded By: Dave Willcock

Be it resolved that By-Law No. 13/1238 being a by-law to confirm certain proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford for Council meeting held February 21st 2013 Be taken as read a first, second, and third time and finally passed by Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford.

CARRIED

CLOSED MEETING

Resolution No. 13/1135

Moved By: Maxine Cannon

Seconded By: Theo Cull

Be it resolved that the Council for the Town of Latchford enter into a Closed Meeting at 8:02pm. To discuss the following matters as set out in the *Municipal Act, 2001* Section 239 (2):

- The security of the property of the municipality or local board; and
- Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or board Employees;
- A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or board;
- Labour relations or employee negotiations;
- xxx Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board;
- Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; or
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CARRIED

Resolution No 13/1136

Moved By: Theo Cull

Seconded By: Maxine Cannon

Be it resolved that Council for the Town of Latchford arise from closed session at 8:25pm With no report.

CARRIED

12. ADJOURN

Resolution No. 13/1137

Moved By: Theo Cull

Seconded By: Maxine Cannon

Be it resolved that Council now adjourn at 8:26p.m. Until the next regular meeting or call from the Mayor.

CARRIED

Minutes of Regular Council February 21st 2013.

**Dated at Latchford this 21^h day
Of February, 2013.**



Mayor



Clerk

Jaime Allen

From: dwillcock.profile@gmail.com on behalf of Dave Willcock [dave@profilewaterjet.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 06, 2013 10:26 AM
To: Jaime Allen
Cc: George Lefebvre; Jo-Anne Cartner; Larry Anderson; Maxine Cannon; Scott Green; Theodore Cull
Subject: Re: FW: offer

I am declaring a conflict of interest, and will not be participating in the discussions or the voting.

Thanks

Dave Willcock

On Wed, Feb 6, 2013 at 9:26 AM, Jaime Allen <jallen@latchford.ca> wrote:

Jaime Allen

Municipal Clerk

Town of Latchford

705-676-2416(ext 1)

705-676-2121(Fax)

jallen@latchford.ca

From: George Lefebvre [mailto:shasonje@ontera.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 06, 2013 6:58 AM
To: Jaime Allen; Lise Remillard
Subject: Fw: offer

----- Original Message -----

From: Pauline Pelangio

To: shasonje@ontera.net

Sent: Tuesday, February 05, 2013 10:13 PM

Subject: offer

Dear George;

I'm so sorry to have to push this but the legal request was made to have this offer presented asap as it expires tomorrow at 9 pm. I have sent a separate email with the offer and the confirmation of co-operation. The second offer has not materialized and I must send this one in first and foremost..If you could even reach persons by phone or email and let me know so I can tell the purchaser. I assure you that this property will be rebuilt and the tax dollars will be greatly appreciated as well as the construction fees and dump fees. The main problem is not the price of the land its the 300k to demolish and re construct that have most purchasers at the loss..there they deduct the price off the asking price for the land..hence the low ball offers and banks do not want to fund the large scale projects when we do get a decent price...I] guess we have arrived at the crossroads and I leave this in your councils hands to decide.. Pauline

Council Meeting February 21, 2013
Report from Councilor Jo-Anne Cartner

Community Association

With the cold weather we've been having this year, the rink has had plenty of use. It's been open weekends and Family Day since the last week of January. Hopefully the weather will remain cold enough to keep it open until mid-March. The kids and adults alike are enjoying the rink while the ice is available.

Library

The Library has finished their 2012 annual report and it's now been submitted to the Ministry so we should be receiving our annual operating grant in the near future. The audit of the Library Finances has been completed by the auditor for 2012 and all records returned to the Library's treasurer.

Ontario Library Services North is going to create a website for our library through a grant from the provincial government so there will be no cost for the creation, hosting or updating of the website once we have decided on the information and links we would like the website to include. Each member of the Board will be presenting their ideas for the content of the site at our next meeting on March 19th. The library has received a large number of donated books and these are going to be sorted and catalogued thanks to some of our volunteers over the next month or so.

Protections to Persons and Property Committee

Driver Training Program

The Fire Department is looking to train 8-10 people on DZ. They would need to purchase 4 truck books and 4 air books from the MTO at \$20 each. Trainees will need a medical which they will pay for themselves at a cost of \$100 each. The test costs \$100 per person. The pumper would be used for the testing with a group of 4 people going on one day to be tested. Gas is expected to cost around \$25 to conduct the testing each time the truck is out(two days).

Pager Transmitter

A new pager transmitter was purchased to replace the old one(parts could no longer be found for it). However, a problem has arisen in that the chair person was asked to price out the new transmitter but not purchase. The fire chiefs are meeting to discuss actions that should be taken(removal of chair person, disandment of committee, etc.). The cost for our municipality is roughly \$1100.

Mayor's Report, February 21, 2013

Dam Project:

Jeff contacted Porcupine Engineering Services for an opinion on the WPG proposal for the dam. (see letter of response in Latchford Dam insert) In a subsequent phone call Frank suggested contacting a firm such as Hatch Engineering as they would have staff conversant with such a concept as the VLH turbines.

I called Rick Donnelly who had examined the project for the Town in the late 1990's and he agreed that we were right to question the technology for application in Latchford. He arranged for Jeff and I to have a conference call with two of their engineers, Sudhakar Chavali and Jim Law which lasted over 40 minutes and during which they indicated that one client that considered these turbines for Canada discovered they had to be lifted during the winter in some locations in Italy to prevent freezing. They verbally concluded that they were not suitable for Latchford, in their opinion.

A follow up phone call with Rick Donnelly stated that having Hatch conduct a peer review of the WPG proposal was the recommended course of action. This has now been set in place with the \$5,000 fee for it coming from the Barton Consulting Budget.

On January 28th, after not having any luck with Jay Aspin's office set up a meeting with Rona Ambrose' office in Ottawa, I asked would he mind if I went ahead on my own and when he concurred, contacted Jeff Richardson, Senior Policy Advisor to the Minister requesting a meeting which occurred in Ottawa on February 11. Jeff Barton and I met with John McBain, Assistant Deputy Minister; Brock Stephenson, Director of Issues Management; Jeff Richardson; Jay Aspin and his aid Andre; Harpreet Gill and Rod Friesen flew in from Vancouver for the meeting also. The meeting lasted an hour and went quite well with ADM stressing that the Town has to be communicated with throughout the process and the various aspects of it from design to future operation. We also stressed the need to transfer surplus land to the Town as well as the access required onto and over the new dam..

Communication with PWGSC has improved considerably as a result of this meeting to the extent that the ADM even provided Jeff and I with copies of his briefing notes, a rather unusual gesture. These notes indicate that we have to rescind the motion that granted approval in principal to Coldwater Hydro as that has now morphed into the Town supporting development by WPG. Jaime has that prepared for tonight's meeting.

I was able to finally establish contact via email with a "Pierre Vermette" of design consultants and invited him to meet with the municipality. Only to be told that we could only communicate with him through Sylvain Blais of PWGSC.

Jeff and I as well as Jaime on one occasion had conference calls with Mark Powell. WPG has now been contacted by Hatch Engineering with a series of questions regarding their proposed project, the answers to which should prove very revealing as to their engineering capacity.

I presume everyone has seen the ads for the Environmental Assessment on the dam project that appeared in last week's Speaker and this week's Voice.

Crown & ONR Land acquisition

I spent the first weekend in February playing phone tag with Scott Sinha of Infrastructure Ontario who indicated the delay in responding was due to the total restructuring of IO. He did tell me that he would be sending me a summary of the phone discussion he had with various Mayor's along the ONR but it yet to arrive.

They now have a new Minister (Glen Murray) so everybody has to get up to speed on all the issues before anything more happens, I am confident.

Hydro Costs Resolution re Water & Sewage Treatment Plants

I think we all have to be impressed by the amount of traction and support Dave's resolution relative to hydro costs has gained throughout the North. With Jaime's circulation of it, it has become an issue of concern to everyone and demonstrates that not only the large centres can lead.

Enhanced Sustainable Forest License (SFL) Implementation

Rather than having a series of letters going from individual municipalities, it was decided at TeMAG that a letter from that group would be forwarded to Ed Tear. That letter is in your package with the TeMAG minutes.

GLL

Town of Latchford

Finance Report by Scott Green

Good evening everyone, lets start off with some good news, the Scandia Inn has now been sold....Finally! Now to sell the waterfront property and some of our remaining lots! We still have not received the final number of our deficit from 2012, hopefully by our budget meeting we will have those numbers. I would like schedule our meeting on ~~Tuesday~~ ^{Thursday} Feb ~~26th~~ ²⁸ at 6:30pm. You will see in our budget after the changes we have made there is still approx a \$90,000, this is without a tax increase, the 90,000 is due to the added \$100,000 deficit line we added from 2012, this is a rough number as we are still waiting for true numbers to come in, the 100k could be higher or lower, this concludes my report

Report from Councillor Dave Willcock

February 21, 2013

Re: Possible acquisition of Crown Land on East Side of Murphy Mill Road:

I have nothing to report on this project, but I am seeking direction to move this forward. If we could acquire this land and sever it into lots this year, it is possible that we could add some significant revenue, as well as adding future taxation. During this meeting, I would welcome some discussion as to how we get on with this.

Re: Potential lot at the end of Macleod:

I'm not sure what we need to do to have this lot declared surplus and listed for sale, but the sooner the better in my opinion. In our ongoing budgeting process, we have made cuts in many places, but we have not focused much on bringing more money into the revenue side. The sale of any possible surplus real estate looks like one of the only ways to bring some serious revenue into the budget reasonably quickly.

Re: Natural Gas Extension to Service Latchford:

After reviewing some aerial photos of the town and the Montreal River, I began to wonder if running a natural gas pipeline to town could be run in the riverbed, instead of excavating along the East side of Highway 11. If it was a possibility, it seems that it could save a tremendous amount of excavation costs, and I wondered whether my view from above could have revealed an option that was not previously considered. I sent these photos to the construction and growth representative at Union Gas, and included some details indicating the point where the pipeline crosses the river, as well as indicating where a line could cross under the bridges.

I accompanied these photos with a most respectful letter inquiring whether this may be a possible way to bring gas service to our town at a lower cost.

I also placed a call to Denise Deschamps of Fednor, hoping to discuss the possibility of acquiring funding, but I received a recorded message saying she would be out of the office until next week.

OSWAP Funding:

To my knowledge, there has still been no announcement to advise that this funding will be forthcoming this year.

LAS Energy Program:

I called Jason Hagan, LAS Program Coordinator with AMO and sent him a reasonably complete sampling of all of our significant power bills in Town buildings. I referenced nine accounts which totalled \$76,242.00 not including some of the bills from December of 2012. Lise provided me with scanned copies of last months bills, and I forwarded these to Mr. Hagan so that he could evaluate the account types.

Mr. Hagan advises that based on the bills I provided, five municipal accounts are on time-of-use rates, one is a streetlight account, and one (the water plant) is a spot market billed account due to large kWh volume.

Under the LAS program we could save 10% or more on the streetlight account cost. In addition, we can see savings of 3-5% on the time-of-use billed accounts.

Unfortunately, we would not save money on the water plant account. The reason for this is that you cannot get any cheaper than the spot market cost, but there is 0% price certainty to the spot market cost. What the LAS program can offer for this account is a significant amount of budget certainty by fixing a price for a specific time period as I understand it.

I have inquired whether we may sign up one account at a time if that makes sense.

Dock Relocation:

I have nothing new to report this month on this matter.

Monitored Hydro Costs (All taxes included)

Jan 30	Town Office	\$878.15 (kwh/day down 6.5%)	1 mth
Jan 22	Street Lighting	\$1048.82 (kwh/day same as past year)	2 mth
Jan 29	Fire Hall	\$121.85 (kwh/day down 14%)	1 mth
Jan 29	Town Garage	\$569.57 (Average kwh/day down 36% down. 3 month trend)	1 mth
Jan 23	Water Plant	\$5211.68 (kwh/day up 37% from previous year)	2 mth
Jan 29	Fred Keenan Centre	\$1284.93 (kwh/day up 9% from previous year)	1 mth
Jan 29	Lawrence Building	\$520.58 This one is new also \$218.22 for December	1 mth
Jan 29	Rec Centre	\$844.33 (kwh/day down 4%. Lower for past 2 months)	1 mth

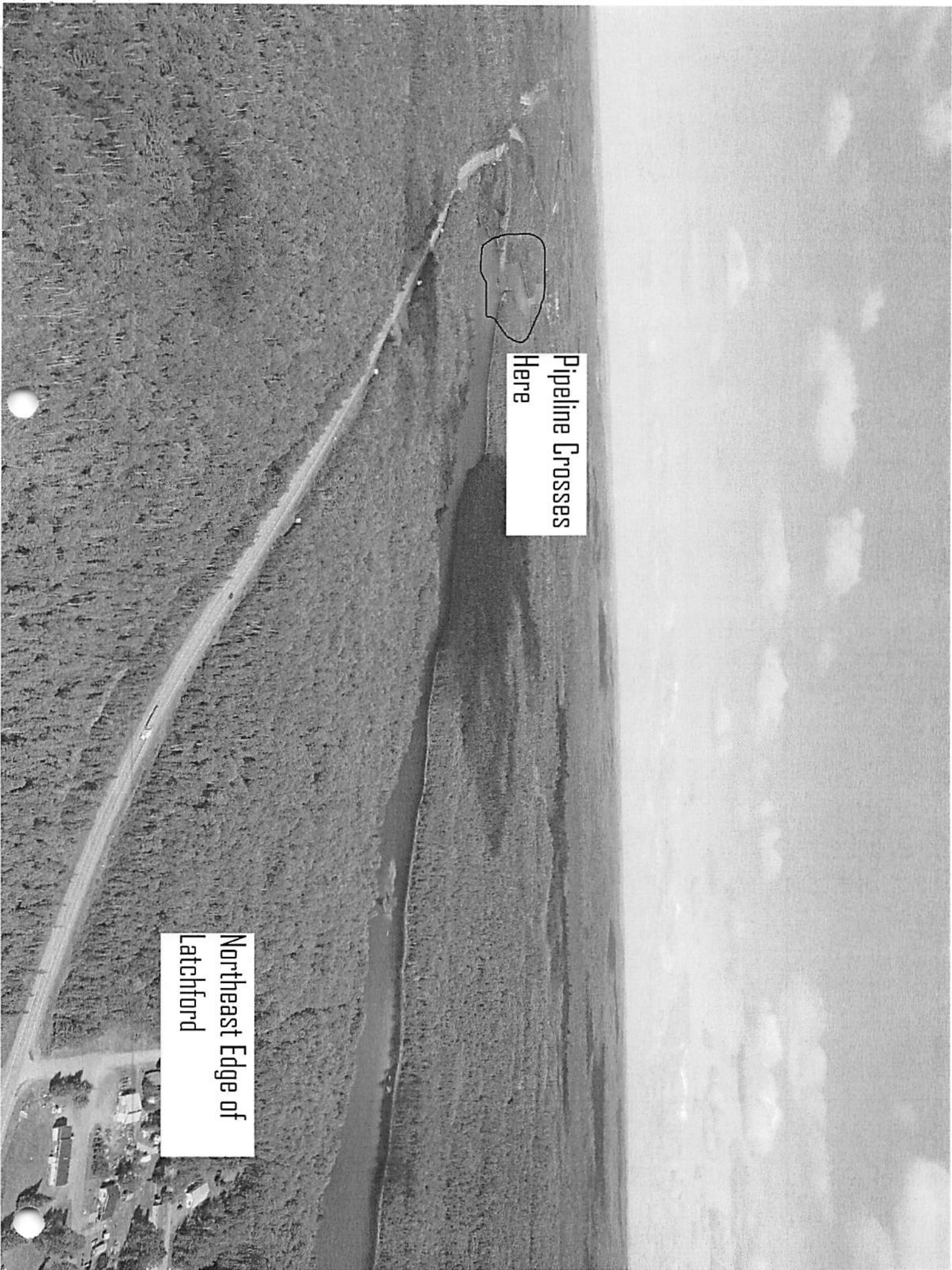
Notes:

- The Town Office had a decrease compared to last year, even though temps have been lower.
- The museum is using a bit of power. Is not everything shut down? Minimum accounts of other dormant buildings are about \$40.00. This month the museum used \$100.00 worth of power.
- Public works is still showing reductions of power use at the town garage.
- We have a new problem. The storage building for the fire truck is generating large power bills.

End of Report

Dave Willcock

Filename: Council Report 13-02



Pipeline Crosses
Here

Northeast Edge of
Latchford





Possible to cross
under bridges?

Water Treatment Plant