

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LATCHFORD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
THURSDAY March 17th 2016.
At 7:00 p.m.**

HELD AT THE LATCHFORD COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTRE

1. Call to order and mayoral comments.

PRESENT:

Council: Mayor George Lefebvre, Councillors, Jo-Anne Cartner, Scott Green, Perry Livingston & Trudy Lepage
Regrets: Councillors Mike Brooks and Theo Cull, CFO Lise Remillard

Staff: Jaime Allen, Clerk

Public: Nil

Press: Jim Patrick, CJTT

1. Mayor Lefebvre called meeting to order.
2. **Adoption of the agenda as circulated
Resolution No16/039
Moved By:** Jo-Anne Cartner
Seconded By: Perry Livingston
Be it resolved that March 17th 2016. Agenda be adopted as circulated. **CARRIED**

3. **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST/CONFLICT OF INTEREST (NIL)**
4. **Adoption of the Minutes
Resolution No.: 16/040
Moved By:** Scott Green
Seconded By: Jo-Anne Cartner

Be it resolved that the minutes of Regular, Special and in camera Council meeting held Feb 18th and Budget meeting held on March 3rd 2016 as circulated by the Clerk.

CARRIED

5. **DELEGATIONS / PRESENTATIONS: nil**

6. **COUNCIL COMMITTEE/MAYOR/CLERK REPORTS:**
Councillor Livingston: reported on Public Works planned activities for the spring.
Councillor Green: Attended Airport authority meeting in Earilton.
Mayor Lefebvre: Mayors monthly report (see attached)

7. CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTION ITEMS

A. Action Items

- 1. Accounts Payable/ Payroll
Resolution No.: 16/041
Moved By: Jo-Anne Cartner
Seconded By: Perry Livingston**
Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford approves attached payroll in the amount of \$13,638.18 and accounts payable in the amount of \$98,898.43 for the period February 12th 2016 thru March 8th 2016.

CARRIED

- 2. Annual Drinking Water Report.
Resolution No.: 16/042
Moved By: Jo-Anne Cartner
Seconded By: Scott Green**
Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford approves Latchford drinking water system annual report as presented.

CARRIED

- 3. Earleton Airport Authority
Resolution No.: 16/043
Moved By: Scott Green
Seconded By: Perry Livingston**
Whereas the Earleton-Timiskaming Regional Airport Authority Steering Committee made a presentation on March 5, 2016 regarding the future of our Regional Airport; and

Whereas the Steering Committee has recommended the creation of an incorporated, not-for-profit airport authority to own and operate the Earleton-Timiskaming Regional Airport; and

Whereas the ETRA Authority Steering Committee has requested that each Council pass a motion to indicate if they agree with the creation of an Airport Authority for the Earleton-Timiskaming Regional Airport and are willing to participate as a member.

Now therefore be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford hereby supports the creation of an Airport Authority for the Earleton-Timiskaming Regional Airport and agrees to participate as a member of the said Airport Authority.

DEFEATED

8.

- Information Items
Resolution No. 16/044
Moved By: Jo-Anne Cartner
Seconded By: Trudy Lepage**
Be it resolved that the following Information Items be noted and filed:

B. Information Items

1. MNR 2016-2017 Annual Work Schedule.
2. Public Works Dept. incident report.
3. Township of Burpee And Mills conservation areas.
4. MOE. Latchford Drinking water renewal
5. Union Gas presentation

6. THU Minutes January 27th 2016.
7. Mayor Lefebvre Call to PWGSC Harpreet Gill March 4th 2016.
8. MNR 2016- Community Grant program(Wildfires)
9. Town Of Englehart support of LIC funding Program
10. Little Clay belt Homesteaders Museum
11. Temag Agenda March 2nd 2016.
12. MPAC contact information.
13. TMBA minutes form Feb 19th 2016.
14. DTSSAB 2016 Budget
15. MOE Latchford Drinking water system report
- 16.

CARRIED

09. ONGOING BUSINESS: NIL

10. NEW BUSINESS: nil

11. BY-LAWS

Confirming Bylaw.

Resolution No 16/045

Moved By: Jo-Anne Cartner

Seconded By: Perry Livingston

Be it resolved that By-Law No. 2016-009 being a by-law to confirm certain proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford for Council meeting held March 17th 2016. Be taken as read a first, second, and third time and finally passed by Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford.

CARRIED

By-Law to Administer License of Occupation.

Resolution No 16/046

Moved By: Perry Livingston

Seconded By: Trudy Lepage

Be it resolved that By-Law No. 2016-10 being a by-law to provide for the recovery of costs incurred by the Town Of Latchford in the administration of the license of occupation granted to her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada as represented by the Minister of Public Works and Government Services Canada. Be taken as read a first, second, and third time and finally passed by Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford.

CARRIED

By-Law to adopt Forest Fire Management Agreement.

Resolution No 16/047

Moved By: Perry Livingston

Seconded By: Trudy Lepage

Be it resolved that By-Law No. 2016-11 being a bylaw to adopt a Forest Fire Management Agreement with Minister of Natural Resources. Be taken as read a first, second, and third time and finally passed by Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford.

CARRIED

12.

ADJOURN

Resolution No. 16/048

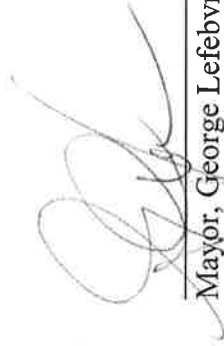
Moved By: Perry Livingston

Seconded By: Trudy Lepage

Be it resolved that Council now adjourn at 7:30 p.m. until the next regular meeting or call from the Mayor.

CARRIED

**Dated at Latchford this 17th day
Of March 2016.**



Mayor, George Lefebvre



Clerk Jaime Allen

Mayor's Report, March 17, 2016

Latchford Control Dam Project

- On February 25, Jeff and I had a conference call with Assistant Deputy Minister Kevin Radford and his aid, Andy Smith. We expressed our displeasure with how the Town's concerns were being responded to and the dispute resolution process indicated when that impasse was met it was to be elevated to his level. He offered the opinion that it had not reached the level of a dispute but we countered that it had and rather than resolve it, the issues were being passed down to Harpreet who really couldn't resolve anything hence the letter and call to him. He asked that we first engage in the planned conference call the next day with PSPC, DFO and Transport Canada the next day and if our issues still hadn't been resolved, then he would become involved.
- On the 26th we had a conference call with 5 staff of PSPC, 3 from DFO, 1 from Transport Canada and Stephan from CDB with the in room participants being Dan Cleroux, Brit Griffin, Randy Polson, Doug McKenzie, Jeff Barton and myself. An agenda had been prepared by Patrice where they basically said that everything was fine and there had been no sediment escape from the construction area. I suggested that had he looked at the pictures I had sent that he would know how incorrect his statement was. Heather Flynn of the DFO supported my contention regarding excessive leakage from the site. We expressed our concern that despite the promise of a temporary log lifter being on the dam, it had still arrived. The first portion of the call dealt with the project as a whole then the non-Latchford participants left and we reconvened the call to discuss issues specific to Latchford. We ran the gamut of issues much of which is covered in tonight's by-law but also discussed at length was the erection of a support building on our land.
- You already have my notes from my call with Harpreet on March 04 which set off a series of calls the following week primarily with regard to the log lifter. The b. s. ended when I emailed a letter that had been prepared for me by Jeff to ADM Kevin Radford on Sunday afternoon which he responded to in 21 minutes! Highly unusual! He set up a conference call for Monday afternoon which included him and 3 others. They assured Jeff and I that the log lifter was at the dam and being assembled for commissioning on Tuesday. We checked it out and found that the delay was due to it being made in France and that the permanent lifter also will be imported from there.
- At the insistence of the TMBA that we had to have a letter authorizing the purchase of a building permit for the construction trailers and the building on our land. I met with Kathryn Pirie and that letter is being prepared and sent to Harpreet and copied to the TMBA. It is hoped this will result in building permits being purchased.

GLL

Conference call with Kevin Radford, March 14, 2016.

Participants: Kevin Radford, Andy Smith, Marilea Pirie, John Ikonopoulos, Jeff Barton, George Lefebvre. Time allowed: 30 minutes.

Discussion revolved around the letter, prepared by Jeff over my signature and emailed to Kevin Radford on Sunday, March 13. Mr Radford responded to me in 20 minutes and agreed to a conference call on Monday.

The primary point made in the letter was the ongoing saga of the numerous stories we were being told about the temporary log lifter and its non-arrival. John I. mentioned something about delays at customs? Turns out this rather simple unit was made in France and assembled on Monday at the dam. Tests were carried out on its functionality this week and delays encountered due to ice. We confirmed all of this by a visit to the dam and a conversation with Andre Robidoux.

Jeff did stress the lack of response being received to his requests for information under the "Access to Information" Act and that he had just received two more letters requesting extensions on providing answers. They responded that they had provided all the clearances required from their end to release the requested information but when Jeff was trying to get the responses directed to the Town Office while he was away and was advised that it was doubtful they would be sent to him before May.

Jeff had added six other points to the letter that we requested be discussed during the call and we only made it through to point three before Mr Radford had to bail to attend a meeting. The points were:

- 1. Failure to Implement the mitigation measures as outlined in the Environmental Effects Evaluation Report**
- 2. Construction of a Permanent Structure on the Licence of Occupation Area without Authorization**
- 3. Failure to Provide "Fair Market Rent" for the use of the Licence Area**
- 4. Failure to Provide Compensation to the Town of Latchford for costs associated with "Granting and Administering" the Licence of Occupation**
- 5. Failure to Provide Information as requested (in contradiction to the Terms of the Licence of Occupation)**
- 6. Failure to Follow Dispute Resolution Protocol as identified in the Licence of Occupation**

Needless to say, there was considerable discussion around each of the three points we did get to discuss but Mr Radford assured us a "fulsome" report was to be prepared by Adam Smith and sent to us very soon. He said he respected the fact that we had established a deadline of March 31st to resolve all outstanding issues with PSPC and it was their intention to meet that. Both Jeff and I sensed a change in you might say their attitude to our issues and we are hopeful of resolution. I committed to having the by-law to them this week. I was not impressed with the attitude of John Ikonomopoulos but that is another story.