

Councillor Perry Livingston
Committee Reports – May 19, 2015

Public Works

- Sat in on two conference calls and attended a meeting with Stephan Steiner at which project details and updates of the dam project were discussed.
- Informed Pat Tressider that the Community Centre sign needs repairs.
- Had a couple of brief meetings with Pat & Terry ... No major concerns at this time.
- On May 12, I attended a “Lunch & Learn” hosted by LAS and Realterm Energy.

- Product comes with 10 year warranty.
- Cree manufactures the LEDs. They are high quality modular units that are easily maintained.
- LAS is a “turn key” solution. They provide product, lighting design and financing.
- LAS has access to an installer base throughout Ontario which would give us the best possible rate on installation.
- They would handle the recycling/disposal of old light heads and all the bureaucratic details associated.
- To be eligible for the energy service contract, a minimum of approximately 100 lights is required. Communities can work together to reach the minimum requirement. ESCs are very detailed and complex and require a lawyer.
- Project proposal will show potential savings and cost of project and is free of charge.
- Alternate means of financing project include Infrastructure Ontario Loans and/or gas tax funding.
- Time frame ... minimum of six months from project proposal to delivery of fixtures.

Fire Department

- Rescue training on April 25th was poorly attended but was informative and appreciated by those of us who participated.
- On April 30th, three of us attended a crash scene investigation seminar hosted by the OPP.
- On May 13th, we attended a mutual aid meeting at Dymond Fire hall. A guest speaker discussed rules and regulations pertaining to Carbon Monoxide detectors.
- Next training day is May 30th.
- Water at Fire Hall ...

Mayor's Report, May 19, 2015

Latchford Control Dam Project

As I am preparing this report on Monday, I hope that by now I have more to report from Stephan Steiner who had called on Thursday asking to meet Friday afternoon which conflicted with a funeral service I had to attend. He indicated he would get together early this week to present information relative to what would be directed to our landfill this year and other agreements we have to reach with CDB. I still haven't heard from him.

Jeff Barton is arranging a conference call for either Wednesday or Thursday with Bill Touzel and Sebastian Vetticog regarding the status of the prefeasibility study on the hydro project. There is no change in the June 12th date for the Jay Aspin event regarding the dam but no further particulars to share either.

ONTC Land in Latchford

I received an email from Darlene Bowen in John Vanthof's office advising that it is the ONTC who have to do the real estate strategy which MNDM had stated the Town of Latchford had to complete.

I had hoped to be able to attend that presentation ONTC made in New Liskeard on the 13th but had a conflicting meeting. We only received notice in the afternoon (5 hours before the ONTC event) making it impossible to get someone there. I contacted the TSACC and they had only received notice on Tuesday, leaving one with the impression that the ONTC didn't really want anyone to show up.

Debt Retirement Charge

I made another phone call to the Ombudsman's office on Friday, left a message and Judy Wong called me back when I was in the line-up at Tim Horton's in North Bay! She assures me the letter to us has been prepared and she is only waiting for senior management clearance to forward it.

MPAC phone call

Ryan Ford from MPAC had called the office for me while I was at FONOM. Returned his call and he discussed the Power Dam Special Payment Program that is being updated in 2016. We spoke at length and I stressed that any changes proposed should involve discussions/participation with affected municipalities such as Latchford. I further offered that water front property occupied by an OPG station should reflect a value comparable to that assessed against residential water front.

Improved Internet Service

Further to the not about meeting Morry Brown of NetCentral, he forwarded me an email which I shared with Jaime regarding an RFP that has been requested by Chris McLaughlin of NEOnet. Jaime contacted Chris and they will be providing an update in June regarding this.

Meeting with OCWA

Jaime and I met with Mike Del Monte and Eric Neilson of OCWA regarding changes to their role in the operation of the environmental services. Discussion included the status of the standby generator and how they could assist with its replacement. They will be providing a cost/benefits analysis for our review and consideration.

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