

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LATCHFORD  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL  
THURSDAY NOVEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup> 2017.  
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, Mike Brooks, Scott Green, Jo-Anne Cartner, Perry Livingston and Councilor Lepage

**Regrets:** Councilor Gadoury-East

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

**Public:** nil

**Press:** nil

1. Mayor Lefebvre called meeting to order.

**2. Adoption of the agenda as circulated**

**Resolution No.:17/145**

**Moved By:** Mike Brooks

**Seconded By:** Scott Green

**Be it resolved that** the November 16<sup>th</sup> Agenda be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

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

**4. Adoption of the Minutes**

**Resolution No.: 17/146**

**Moved By:** Perry Livingston

**Seconded By:** Mike Brooks

**Be it resolved that** the minutes of the regular in camera council meeting held October 19<sup>th</sup> 2017 be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**5. DELEGATIONS / PRESENTATIONS: Latchford Fire Chief Mike Beaupre:**  
Briefed Council on the need and the cost for a new Fire truck.

**6. COUNCIL COMMITTEE/MAYOR/CLERK REPORTS:**

**Councillor Green:** repairs were done on fire pumper and one fire fighter is on leave.

**Councillor Livingston:** see attached

**Councillor Brooks:** WTP is running fine and upgrades are on schedule.

**Councillor Lepage:** Recreation Committee will be having a meeting on Nov.20<sup>th</sup>

**Councillor Cartner:** see attached

**Mayor Lefebvre:** Mayors monthly report (see attached)

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**CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Action Items**

**1. Accounts Payable and Payroll**

**Resolution No.: 17/147**

**Moved By:** Mike Brooks

**Seconded By:** Perry Livingston

**Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford approves attached payroll in the amount of \$24,956.34 and accounts payable in the amount of \$60,381.69 Electronic payments in the amount of \$7675.54 for the period October 12<sup>th</sup> thru November 8<sup>th</sup> 2017.**

**CARRIED**

**2. Canadian Stimulus Fund**

**Resolution No.: 17/148**

**Moved By:** Mike Brooks

**Seconded By:** Jo-Anne Cartner

**Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford approves letter of support for the Canadian Stimulus Fund.**

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**8. Information Items**

**Resolution No. 17/149**

**Moved By:** Scott Green

**Seconded By:** Perry Livingston

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

**B. Information Items**

1. Federal Gas Tax program
2. CCL Committee minutes Oct 31<sup>st</sup> 2017.
3. Northern Health Travel update.
4. Northwestern Ont Municipal Assoc. Woodland Caribou.
5. Ministry Of Energy regarding hydro rates
6. Ministry Of Transportation (street lights Hwy 11 and Hwy 562)
7. Bill Ramsay ATV Trails
8. Ministry Of Agriculture (Infrastructure Fund)

**CARRIED**

**9. New Business:**

**1) Amendment to Bill 148**

**Resolution No. 17/150**

**Moved By:** Scott Green

**Seconded By:** Mike Brooks

**Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town Of Latchford supports MPP John Yakabuski efforts to have bill 148 amended to cancel on call pay to Municipal Volunteer firefighters as per attached**

**CARRIED**

**2) Council decided for dates for budget meetings for 2018 as follows:**

**January 23<sup>rd</sup> 2018, February 13<sup>th</sup>, March 13<sup>th</sup> and April 10<sup>th</sup> 2018.**

**All meetings to start @6:30pm at the Latchford Community Recreation Center.**

**3) Council decided to form an Ad hoc Committee to discuss shoreline property Committee consisting of Mayor Lefebvre, and Councillors Brooks and Livingston.**

**4) Town Clerk to call Cobalt library to setup meeting with Councillor Cartner.**

**10. By-Laws.**

**Confirming by-law**

**Resolution No 17/151**

**Moved By** Perry Livingston

**Seconded By:** Mike Brooks

**Be it resolved that** By-Law No. **2017-26** being a by-law to confirm certain proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford for its regular meeting held November 16<sup>th</sup> 2017. 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. 17/152**

**Moved By:** Perry Livingston

**Seconded By:** Scott Green

**Be it resolved that** Council now adjourn at 7:49 pm. Until the next regular meeting or call from the Mayor.

**CARRIED**

Dated at Latchford this 16<sup>th</sup> day  
Of November 2017



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Mayor, George Lefebvre



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Clerk, Jaime Allen

## **Mayor's Report, November 16, 2017**

### **Latchford Control Dam operation**

I received the following email from Judith Bennett:

**From:** Judith Bennett

**Sent:** November 8, 2017 8:46 AM

**To:** George Lefebvre

**Cc:** Harpreet Gill; John Ikonopoulous; Helene Belanger (J); Eric Potvin

**Subject:** Follow-up on our call

Good morning Mayor Lefebvre,

I hope this email finds you well and that the snow predictions are good for this winter! I wanted to follow up from our meeting October 2, 2017. Apologies for not getting back sooner as I had a personal emergency which pulled me away from the office. I did want to respond to some of the issues you raised. At this meeting you raised the various issues for follow-up including:

- Communication regarding water management;
- Resources for Latchford Dam;
- Communication around staffing processes; and
- Garbage disposal

PSPC currently engages and communicates closely with the Town of Latchford during the freshet season regarding water levels. In the spirit of open communication, we are additionally committed in reaching out to you and Council if water level forecasts are above or below the expected operational ranges in order for you to be equipped to respond to your constituents.

In regard to resources at Latchford Dam, which is operated by staff from the Timiskaming Dam Complex. You indicated the French River Dam Complex has dedicated resources, and is of a similar distance from the Timiskaming Dam Complex, while Latchford does not. There are significant differences between the French River Dam Complex and Latchford Dam which informs our resourcing and how we operate our dams. In particular, the French River Dam Complex includes significantly higher volume and frequency of operations in areas of lower accessibility. PSPC intends to maintain the status quo on how it operates the Latchford Dam.

In regard to future opportunities, I am committing to inform you, and council, on any upcoming vacancies or projects in the region. As discussed there are opportunities coming up soon and my team will contact you directly when they arise.

And finally, with respect to garbage pick-up – my team is receptive to putting an arrangement in place for this service. We are reviewing the possible contracting instruments, and my team will contact you regarding potential solutions.

I trust this addresses your concerns. Take care-I will be thinking of your Legion and the many artifacts this Remembrance Day, Judith

***Judith Bennett, P. Eng., PMP***

You will note from this communication that they are determined to operate utilizing their staff but offer the potential for local employment opportunities “soon” and that they will contact us. I am confused in respect to the garbage pick-up and the contractual need for something we offered to conduct should they provide the containers and liners and, that we would do this during our normal pick-ups. We had reported that considerable garbage had been left around the area and we wanted to help keep it clean.

I have brought with me some maps and an agreement signed on November 03, 1995 which indicates that the Town owns certain flooded and shoreline property and can sell it with the approval of PWGSC (PSPC). In addition, there is property identified on the maps that does not fall under that category which would be of considerable benefit to the Town. I have been reluctant to recommend pursuing this while we hoped to achieve an agreement on dam operations but believe we will need a different approach to achieve this. Therefore I encourage either proceeding with the land issue through a special meeting of Council or the establishment of an Ad Hoc committee to pursue this.

I also received draft of the proposed plaques for the old log lifter and asked if I wished to comment so comment I did. There is an impressive amount of detail on the plaques but unfortunately not all accurate.

It is worth noting that the log ops appear to have been moved to the south side of the dam as had been originally requested by Latchford.

**ONTC Land Acquisition**

The EXP plan was submitted to the ONTC, they responded with one of their questions as to why the east border was contoured. A response has been sent requesting a meeting for further discussion.

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November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Report from Councilor Cartner

- Jaime, George and I attended CCL meetings on October 31st and November 14th. Michelle informed us that the Trillium grant for the activity trail has been submitted. The Canada Day 2018 funding applications are due on November 21st so she will be completing and submitting them on behalf of our three communities once she has received the information needed..
- The mining event was once again our main focus of discussion. Michelle presented a draft budget at our October meeting and will be working on a more thorough budget for submission with the funding application. She presented us with different logos to be used for the event; we chose the logo we will be going with at Tuesday's meeting. Tina discussed the Green Mining Initiative's action plan.
- Our plans for the event will have to be finalized within the next few weeks as Michelle wants the funding application ready for submission the first week of December at the latest. I will supply council with a more detailed update on this event once we have been notified that we can move on to phase two of the funding process. Our next meeting is November 28th.
- Finance: We're nearing year end so I would suggest that each committee review their budget and begin to look at their needs/wants for next year. Once January is here we'll begin 2018's budget process. It will make the process more efficient if Lise has each committee's wishlist before presenting us with the draft worksheet at our first budget meeting.
- As George will be away during our December meeting, I would like to set the dates for our 2018 budget meetings this evening. Hopefully, we can have our budget finalized and passed by the end of April as we have for the past two years.

PUBLIC  
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Perry ,

Since last meeting :

We have poured a concrete pad for the new sewage upgrade .

Regular maintenance at Rec centre and Fred Keenan and town office.

Hooked up plow and sander . Performed maintenance and repaired cutting edges and shoes on the plow.

Hot water fixed at fire hall.

Boats and car put away in town storage at the beach.

Graded gravel laneways and filled potholes.

Repaired waterman leak on Bradley and the back lane.

It was an abandoned service that was corroded and went to the old ONR building. We shut off at the main.

We will need to resurface the area next summer.

Had GPS done to signs , culverts , water valves and manholes throughout the town. Next step will be all Curb stops

All hydrants flushed and winterized.

Plowed snow once.

Upcoming work.

Finish sewage upgrade with OCCWA.

Plowing

Some trees in veterans park to come down weather pending.

Hook up and repair shower in the fire hall.

Put up plastic on windows in town office. And duties as they come up.

Thanks.

Roger