

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LATCHFORD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
Thursday July 21st 2022.
7:00pm
Held at the Latchford Community Recreation Center.**

1. Call to order and mayoral comments.

PRESENT:

Council: Mayor George Lefebvre, Councilors, Mike Cole, Pam Newell Jo-Anne Cartner, Sharon Gadoury East, Francine Blowe, Mike Brooks, Sharon Gadoury-East

Regrets: nil

Staff: Jaime Allen, Clerk-Treasurer, Laurel Gadoury, Dep Tres. Deputy Clerk.

Public: nil

Press: Bill Buschberger, CJTT.

1. Mayor Lefebvre called meeting to order.

2. Adoption of the agenda as circulated

Resolution No: 22/081

Moved By: Jo-Anne Cartner

Seconded By: Francine Blowe

Be it resolved that the July 21st 2022. Agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

**3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST/CONFLICT OF INTEREST
(COUNCILLOR GADOURY- EAST ON ACTION ITEM NUMBER THREE HIRING OF LANDFILL ATTENDENT
(SPOUSE OF APPLICANT)**

4. Adoption of the Minutes

Resolution No.: 22/082

Moved By: Mike Brooks

Seconded By: Jo-Anne Cartner

Be it resolved that the minutes of the regular and special council meeting held June 9th and June 16th 2022.

CARRIED

5. DELEGATIONS / NIL

6. COUNCIL COMMITTEE/MAYOR/CLERK REPORTS:

Councillor Brooks: Things are running smooth at the water treatment, except for water use is up and the plant is having trouble keeping up on demand a flyer went out to residents as a reminder

Councillor Cartner: Meeting with the new Doctor August 3rd 2022. to go over their overhead budget. New Doctor will start on August 15th 2022.

Councillor Blowe: see attached

Councillor Cole: See attached

Councillor Newell: Mayor Lefebvre is looking into funding for development of industrial park through Fed-Nor. Estimated cost for ball field for camping would be in excess of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars,

Councillor Gadoury-East: Bylaw Officers report see attached, Fire Dept received lots of compliments on there response to a fire call on Anamanipissing Road.

Mayor Lefebvre: Mayors monthly report (see attached)

7.

CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTION ITEMS

A. Action Items

1. Accounts Payable and Payroll

Resolution No.: 22/083

Moved By: Jo-Anne Cartner

Seconded By: Mike Cole

Be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Latchford approves attached payroll in the amount of \$24,623.21 and accounts payable in the amount of \$55,782.95 For the period May 13th thru June 9th 2022.

CARRIED

Eco-Logix Contract

Resolution No.: 22/084

Moved By: Mike Brooks

Seconded By: Jo-Anne Cartner

Be It Resolved that the Corporation of The Town of Latchford approves a contract extension with Eco-Logix to September 30th 2025 in the yearly amount of \$34,610.40 plus hst.as per attached.

CARRIED

Landfill Attendant Hire

Resolution No.: 22/085

Moved By: Francine Blowe

Seconded By: Mike Cole

Be it resolved that the Town O Latchford approves hiring of Joan Cowan as Landfill Attendant for the Town of Latchford and Lou Armstrong as the backup if Joan Cowan is not available effective July 21st 2022.

CARRIED

Summer Students

Resolution No.: 22/086

Moved By: Mike Brooks

Seconded By: Jo-Anne Cartner

Be it Resolved that the Town of Latchford approves the hiring of the following students Ashlyn Anderson for Tourist information and James Blair for Public Works for an eight-week period.

CARRIED

Information Items

Resolution No. 22/087

Moved By: Mike Brooks

Seconded By Francine Blowe

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

B. Information Items

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

1. Great Fire of 1922. 100th Anniversary
2. Ministry of the Environment assessment for minor transmission facilities
3. Timiskaming Health Unit 2021 Financial statements.
4. MNRF Temagami Forest Management (herbicide spraying)
5. Communities of the Montreal River Update.

CARRIED

08. NEW BUSINESS

Biker Rally and BBQ being held in Latchford on August 6th was brought up by Mayor Lefebvre residents should be made aware of this event.

09. BY-LAWS

Management Protection and Identification of Animals

Resolution No 22/088

Moved By: Mike Cole

Seconded By: Sharon Gadoury-East

Be it resolved that By-Law No. **2022/017** being a by-law to amend by-law 2017-019 Management Protection and Identification of Animals Effective July 21st 2022

Be taken as read a first, second, and third time and finally passed by Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford

CARRIED

Lame Duck By-Law.

Resolution No 22/089

Moved By: Francine Blowe

Seconded By: Sharon Gadoury-East

Be it resolved that By-Law No. **2022/018** being a by-law to being a by-law to delegate certain authorities during a restricted authority Lame Duck Period. Be taken as read a first, second, and third time and finally passed by Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford.

CARRIED

Confirming by-law

Resolution No 22/090

Moved By: Sharon Gadoury-East

Seconded By: Mike Cole

Be it resolved that By-Law No. **2022/019** being a by-law to confirm certain proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the Town of Latchford for its regular meeting held July 21st 2022. 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. ADJOURN

Resolution No. 22/091

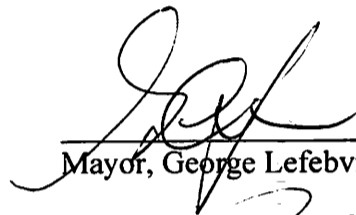
Moved By: Mike Brooks

Seconded By: Sharon Gadoury-East

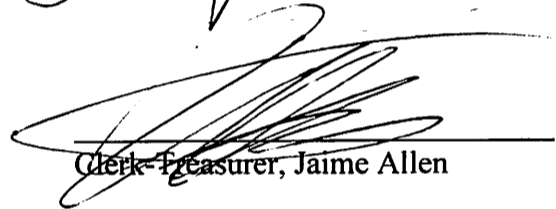
Be it resolved that Council now adjourn at 7:46pm. Until the next regular meeting or call from the Mayor.

CARRIED

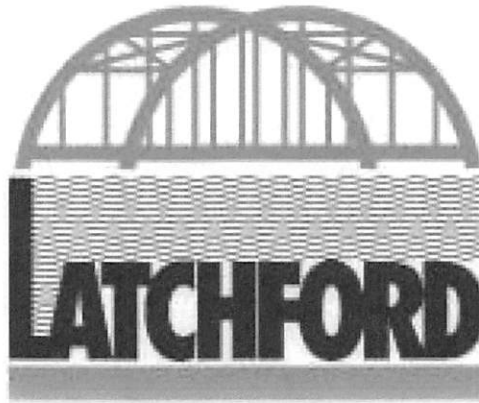
Dated at Latchford this 21st day
Of July 2022.



Mayor, George Lefebvre



Clerk-Treasurer, Jaime Allen



THE BEST LITTLE TOWN
BY A DAM SITE!

BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT REPORT TO COUNCIL

July 21, 2022

This report covers the period from June 13 to July 21, 2022

1. New Occurrences

One new complaint was received during this time period regarding clean yards and an objectionable odour from a commercial property on Empire Street. An inspection revealed significant clean yards issues and what appeared to be the liquified remains of some animal matter. The owner agreed to apply bleach to neutralize the smell and a warning was given.

A subsequent complaint later the same day, followed by a second inspection the following day revealed a freezer full of rotten meat that had been missed during the first inspection. Public Works staff assisted the owner with removal of the freezer.

The tenants are intending on vacating the property at the end of July, and after discussion with the Clerk-Treasurer a decision was made to allow the tenants the opportunity to clean up the property when they move out.

If the property is not completely cleaned at that time, we will work with the owner to ensure that a cleanup is completed.

2. Outstanding Clean Yards Issues

The contractor was finally able to conduct the cleanup work on July 20, 2022, and the work was conducted with the assistance of Public Works staff.

1. Two inoperative vehicles along with a significant number of other items were removed from a property on Main Street. The owner was not present but had previously agreed to the removal of the vehicles and items. The grass and weeds still need to be cut and the owner has stated their intention to work with the Town to ensure that this is completed.
2. Two inoperative vehicles, a large boat, an inoperative snowmobile and several other items were removed from a property on Hillview. The owner was present and was very cooperative.
3. A commercial property on Main Street was to have been cleaned up on July 21, but after discussion with the owner on July 20, all inoperative vehicles were sold to a local scrap dealer who will be removing them from the property by July 26, 2022. No further action is anticipated to be required at this property.

For both properties that were cleaned up, the contractor will provide an invoice detailing the costs of the cleanups and the revenue generated from the large amounts of scrap metal removed. The Clerk-Treasurer will determine the net cost or surplus from the work, and an invoice or will be sent to each owner.

3. Future Activities/Concerns

Per the May 16, 2022 report, now that the properties referred to above are dealt with, is hoped that other residents not currently in compliance with the clean yards bylaw will voluntarily clean up their properties in order to comply.

Pending direction from Council, it is recommended that increased enforcement (vs education) of this bylaw occur in 2022, with Notices of Remedy being issued and where appropriate charges laid to bring properties into compliance. This can be done either by having Council/staff refer properties to the officer for action, or by the officer conducting inspections of properties that appear from the roadside to be in violation.

If Council chooses to increase enforcement of this bylaw it is recommended that pro-active communications be sent to all residents advising them of the planned increase in enforcement action. This could be done via a mailout with taxes, the use of social and/or mainstream media, and the posting of notices at prominent locations in the town.

To date no direction has been received regarding future enforcement of the clean yards bylaw.

Recreation Committee Report - July 2022

Canada Day

Happy to report that we hosted a fabulous Canada Day. The parade went well and was enjoyed by all who participated.

BBQ at the beach was a huge success. There were about 130 people in attendance. Food was great and as always the salads from RU Hungries were well received. No leftover to speak of. We ran out of hot dogs and buns. We received \$580 in donations which we have set aside for the replacement of the floating raft when the time comes.

Fireworks were fantastic. The firefighters did an amazing job and we want to thank them for a job well done.

No events are being planned for the month of August.

We are planning a corn roast on September 5th, 12:00 - 2:00. We will be serving corn on the cob and hot dogs. Flyers will go into mailboxes in mid August.

Catch the Ace for History has been wrapped up. The lucky winner won \$31,450.50. No final tally yet for The House of Memories share of the funds raised. The group is planning to apply for a new license with sales beginning in four to six weeks. A grant application has been completed with NOHFC to cover the cost of roof replacement for the House of Memories.

Bay Lake campground is full for the month of August.

New business - BBQ loan/rental.

Mayor's Report, July 21, 2022

Public Service and Procurement Canada:

I had my phone call with Ravi Sundaraj and John Ikonomopoulos on June 21 but Helene Belanger did not participate as I had hoped. I discussed at length the events surrounding the operation of the Latchford Control Dam during the loss of George Brunton and Bob Hachey. I reiterated the capacity of our present staff to respond in a much more prompt and efficient manner during such a need and at any time in general.

I expressed the need to know what First Nation had objected to our acquisition of waterfront land for the municipality and ownership by adjacent property owners. Eric advised that while they are unable to reveal the actual band he would attempt to provide the identity of all the bands contacted which would allow us to contact each directly so as to explain our reasoning for acquisition. I am still waiting for Eric's response but will follow up shortly.

During the course of our call I did brief them on the efforts of the CMR to pursue the development of hydro generation adjacent to the Latchford Control Dam.

CMR:

The CMR reps met on June 24 at which time Harri Makivirta presented a power point which is attached to the Council package for this meeting. Those of us in attendance found the presentation very informative. We expressed support for continuing to pursue the development of this project adjacent to the Latchford Control Dam.

I participated in a Zoom meeting on July 14 focused on the long term procurement design intended to facilitate the proposed new generating facilities but had to bail before the meeting finally concluded.

The following was received as an email from Harri Makivirta on July 20:

Just an update on the Latchford Dam - Communities of the Montreal River Power Corp. The IESO Long Term RFP (LT1) for Municipalities and Indigenous Communities, will be releasing the successful proponents list soon according to the online meeting last week. This will then give us a list of companies to partner with for funding and engineering with experienced Hydro Power companies. This LT1 is focused on power projects for Southern Ontario mostly in Essex County but will also accept projects in the North especially with Indigenous partnerships. Future LT's will have focus in other parts of Ontario.

The Latchford project has both Indigenous and Municipality partnership potential on an existing dam; these will benefit our score for success. I am presently working on an RFP for a detailed engineering study.

TFN and Timiskaming First Nation have applied for government funding for the study in anticipation of moving forward with the study. I will keep everyone posted. **GLL**

Public Works Report July 2022

Grass has slowed down so focused on maintenance around the town.

Pat and James fixed up the king street boardwalk. Replaced and stained the railing at the office.

Hauled gravel to Stan Whattam and Bay Lee Mac roads. Met with Don Adshed trucking about culvert repair on Anamanipissing road. Planning on repairing them this fall.

Gravel laneways have been graded and calcium has been applied.

James our summer student is a very nice kid. Has lots to learn but his attitude is good. I have his assisting me with various tasks and grass cutting.

Spent a day hauling fill around the dump cleaning it up and covering garbage.

Working on quotes to replace interlock brick at the office entrance and possibly looking at resealing foundation walls at the front. There is the possibility of NOHFC funding to pay for the repairs.

Miller should be starting road repairs on the Bradley / Empire corner in the near future.

Upcoming work will be tree trimming around town, grass, veterans park walkway, valve turning, when Ray and Sons is free, they will help repair a few water shutoffs and redo some water valve boxes that keep plugging up. Going to install new plastic 2-piece valve boxes that I have ordered.