

April 25, 2023

Regular Meeting

7:00 PM

Council for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards met on the above date with Mayor David Mayville and Councillors Harold Lavigne, Bil Smith, Maureen MacMillan, Ted Browne, Carl Kuehl and Brian Pecoskie in attendance. Also in attendance was Public Works Superintendent Dean Holly and Fire Chief Bob Gareau.

Mayor Mayville chaired the meeting which he opened and called to order.

Pecuniary/Financial Interest:

Councillor Browne to declare at the appropriate time.

Minutes:

Moved by Bil Smith

Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on April 4, 2023 open session. Carried.

Moved by Harold Lavigne

Seconded by Bil Smith

Motion to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of March 27, 2023 open & closed sessions, the Special Meeting of March 29, 2023 open session, the Planning Committee Meeting of March 1, 2023 open session, the Finance Committee Meeting of March 28, 2023 open session and the Human Resources Committee Meeting of February 15, 2023 open & closed sessions. Carried.

Reports:

Fire Chief: Fire Chief Bob Gareau was present and invited to give his report. Fire Chief Gareau reported that as it relates to fire operation, activities included; April 6 a hydro line was down and on fire on Simpson Pit Road, again on April 6 there was another hydro line down on Simpson Pit Road, April 7 there was a hydro line on fire near Sherwood River Lane and Round Lake Road, and on April 20 there was a chimney fire at a residence on Lisk Street. Ongoing activities include; weekly truck checks and monthly equipment checks. Recent events included attending a Renfrew County Fire Chiefs' meeting in Pembroke where a radio communications proposal was brought to the table from Bearcom and Avtec on April 12 and upcoming events include; an Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs (O AFC) Trade Show on May 5, Bi-Monthly Meetings on May 9, July 11, September 12 and November 28, Renfrew County Fire Chiefs' meeting on June 7, September 6 and December 6, and St. Andrews Fun Day on June 8. Fire Chief Gareau reported that as it relates to fire prevention; monthly newspaper ads continue, and training undertaken included; fire hoses and fire streams on March 21, integrity training on March 27, NDMNRF SP103 (theory) on March 28 search and rescue on April 4, NDMNRF SP103 (practical) on April 18, extrication (cribbing and air bags) vehicle rescue on April 25 and scheduled training includes; ventilation on May 2, hose streams, water supply, hydrants and appliances (deck gun) on May 16, forcible entry on May 23, foam, gas fires, water shuttle and porta tanks on May 30, filler night, overhaul, scene presentation, conservation, cause determination, and risk reduction on June 13, and drafting and dry hydrants on June 20 and June 27.

Fire Chief Gareau reported CEMC activities included; Renfrew County Spring Freshet Meetings on March 23, March 30, April 6, April 13, April 20, and April 24 and noted that meetings have been scheduled for Mondays and Thursdays until May 25th unless no longer required. Fire Chief Gareau indicated that he has undertaken continual "checking" of low areas to assess flooding and reported that Eno Road and Great Heron Lane did not show any visible flooding and Gunn's Road, a privately-owned forestry road had a washout at km 1, where small vehicles could drive by, but first responder response would be affected. He also indicated that there was also a washout again on Gunn's Road at km 8 which could have created an area that would have been inaccessible, but forestry did repairs on the road after 2 or 3 days.

Fire Chief Gareau, as it relates to FRESHET information, reported that the snow sample conducted on April 17th indicates that all snow is gone from the sample area, however, it will take some time to drain the "melt" water out of the upper system, the water level at Golden Lake has risen above the Upper limit and L. of Occ. of the BRWMP as of April 15, and it is not clear when levels will peak. Fire Chief Gareau reported that the water level at Round Lake has risen above the BRWMP Upper Limit as of April 18, and as of April 20 it has risen above the BRWMP L of Occ., the Round Lake inlet has peaked and is now declining and is expected to crest in next few days as rise rate is declining also, however it is all dependent on rain. As it relates to Lake Clear, Fire Chief Gareau reported that this water system level is high, there are no logs in the dam, the water level reading at the dam is currently 70 cm less than the lake and manning road culverts have been checked and are clear as of April 19.

Fire Chief Gareau indicated that he is still awaiting comments on the "Preliminary Review" of KHR's 2022 Emergency Management Submission, as well as, the final assessment. And lastly, Fire Chief Gareau advised that the Killaloe OPP used the Killaloe Fire Hall training room on April 20, as the detachment does not have appropriate meeting facilities. They have asked to use the training room on a limited basis from time to time and have used it in the past. He noted that the use is for occasional special cases such as meetings with victims of crime or death in family type issues, the meetings are generally about an hour and do not usually exceed 6 persons including OPP Officers. Fire Chief Gareau indicated that he does not have an issue with the OPP using the training room on occasion but will follow the direction of Council on this matter. Council indicated that as the Fire Chief it is his judgement call, and they will support his decisions pertaining to this matter.

Council thanked Fire Chief Gareau for his report at which time he left the meeting.

Public Works Superintendent: Public Works Superintendent Dean Holly was present and invited to give his report. Public Works Superintendent Holly reported that regular spring maintenance is taking place, as well as, cold patching, grading of roadways, opening of blocked culverts, equipment maintenance, and street sweeping which started this week. Public Works Superintendent Holly advised that the County of Renfrew installed the "radar sign" and he continues to work on the approved tenders. Public Works Superintendent Holly provided a report on the Ontario Good Roads Association (OGRA) conference which he attended and advised that hopefully in May a company that he met there will come to do a demonstration with a new product for the sanitization lids here in the Village. As it relates to waste management, Public Works Superintendent Holly reported that staff continue to clean up debris and garbage at both landfill sites, the second chance building has been cleaned and is open and he asked for direction as what Council would like to do with the old roll-off truck. Public Works Superintendent Holly indicated that it is not worth much and suggests selling it for scrap steel. Council agreed with Public Works Superintendent Holly's suggestion.

Councillor Pecoskie inquired if the "radar sign" is collecting data and if so where is it going. Public Works Superintendent Holly indicated that he believes that the "radar sign" is collecting data and that the County of Renfrew would receive it. Public Works Superintendent Holly advised that he would contact the County of Renfrew and ask for the data when it is available. Mayor Mayville indicated that he would contact Mr. Lee Perkins of the County of Renfrew to ensure that the Township receives the data so it can be distributed.

Council thanked Public Works Superintendent Holly for his report.

Expenditures:

I Ted Browne declare Pecuniary/Financial Interest with Voucher #03 – 2023.

Councillor Browne left the meeting.

Moved by Carl Kuehl

Seconded by Harold Lavigne

Motion to approve Road & General Voucher #03 – 2023 in the amount of \$917,691.68.
Carried.

Councillor Browne returned to the meeting.

CAO/Clerk – Treasurer: CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Tammy Gorgerat was present and invited to give her report. CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat advised that she was providing Council with a proposal from Community Development Coordinator Chris Neff regarding the consideration for approval to submit an application to the County of Renfrew to host the “Taste of the Valley” in 2024. Council discussed and the following motion was presented:

Moved by Maureen MacMillan

Seconded by Ted Browne

WHEREAS the Council for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards supports and approves the proposal provided by the Community Development Coordinator to submit an application to the County of Renfrew for consideration to host the “Taste of the Valley” in 2024 in Killaloe and directs the same to submit the proposal by the deadline date of April 26, 2023. Carried.

Councillor Kuehl inquired about the \$500.00 for the Farmer’s Market in lieu of missed profits which was indicated in Community Development Coordinator Neff’s proposal cover letter. Council agreed to approve the submission of the application (proposal) and that they would discuss at a later date the details of the proposal.

Committee Reports:

Councillor Smith asked for Council to consider postponing employee performance appraisals until 2024 due to the in-depth review of the Human Resources Policies and Procedures manual. Council had no objections.

Moved by Bil Smith

Seconded by Ted Browne

Motion that the Human Resources Committee is recommending that the Council for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards postpone the annual performance reviews until 2024 for Department Heads and Staff due to the review of and amendments to the Human Resources Policies and Procedures manual. Carried

Councillor MacMillan advised that the Killaloe & District Public Library now has a “Drop Box” located in the hallway by the library to collect donations for the Killaloe Food Bank. Councillor MacMillan also reported that Christine Luckasavitch from Waaseyaa Consulting did a presentation on our local Indigenous Ancestry (Township sponsored), and indicated it was well attended and an amazing presentation. Councillor MacMillan thanked Council for their support with this event

Mayor Mayville indicated that a motion was prepared to recommend Councillor Smith as Chair for the Affordable Housing Committee and Vice Chair of the Finance Committee.

Moved by Harold Lavigne

Seconded by Ted Browne

WHEREAS the Council for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards appoints Councillor Bil Smith as Chair for the Affordable Housing Committee and Vice Chair of the Finance Committee. Carried

Mayor Mayville inquired if at any time Council discussed a free debris drop-off at the waste site as a result of winter storms. Council indicated that no, this matter was not discussed and that it has been done in the past for extreme cases such as when flooding was experienced but not from winter storms.

Mayor Mayville advised Council that at their desk was an article about cyber security and asked that they review this report as it is a very serious matter. Council had no objections to this request. CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat to provide a report on this matter at a later date.

Councillors Lavigne and Browne reported on their attendance at the OGRA conference.

Correspondence:

Town of Essex – Re: Resolution Regarding the Tax Classification of Short-Term Rental Units:

Moved by Bil Smith
Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

WHEREAS the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards supports the motion distributed by the Town of Essex regarding the tax classification of short-term rental units and directs staff to send a certified copy of this resolution to the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation ("MPAC"), the Ministry of Municipal Affairs, and any other relevant bodies, to investigate the tax classification of short-term rental units and consider taxing them as commercial as opposed to residential. Carried

Ministry of Seniors and Accessibility – Re: Nomination for the 2023 Ontario Senior of the Year Award:

Moved by Ted Browne
Seconded by Harold Lavigne

WHEREAS the Council for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards directs staff to submit for the 2023 Ontario Senior of the Year Award an individual's name that will be identified at a later date. Carried

Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing – Re: Information – Housing Supply Crisis – filed

Port Colborne – Re: Resolution in support of the Town of Grimsby Regarding the Changes to the Municipal Heritage Register – filed

Northumberland County – Re: Resolution Support Association of Municipalities of Ontario's (AMO) Call to Action on Housing and Homelessness - filed

Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks David Piccini – Provincial Day of Action on Litter - filed

Regional Municipality of Waterloo – Re: Resolution – Protecting the Privacy of Candidates and Donors - filed

Unfinished Business:

No unfinished business was discussed.

New Business:

Mayor Mayville advised that he provided Council with information on "Tiny Homes Development" for review. Councillor Smith reported on his attendance at the presentation when it was presented in North Algona Wilberforce. Councillor Smith indicated that the concept is very interesting and that the video is worth the watch.

CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat read an email received from Ken Shulist requesting that Council consider road upgrades on Mountain View Road as it is in disrepair. Council discussed and asked that the email be forwarded to Public Works Superintendent Holly.

Committee of the Whole:

Moved by: Maureen MacMillan
Seconded by: Bil Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council move into a closed meeting pursuant to Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, for the following reason(s):

- The security of property of the municipality or local board;
- X Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;
- A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board;
- Labour relations or employee negotiations;
- 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;
- A matter in respect of which a council, board, committee or other body may hold a closed meeting under another Act;
- Information explicitly supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board by Canada, a province or territory or a Crown agency of any of them;
- A trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial or financial or labour relations information supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board, which, if disclosed could reasonable be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization;
- A trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial or financial information that belongs to the municipality or local board and has monetary value or potential monetary value; or
- A position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board;
- A request under the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, if the council, board, commission or other body is the head of an institution for the purposes of that Act; or
- An ongoing investigation respecting the municipality, a local board or a municipally-controlled corporation by the Ombudsman appointed under the *Ombudsman Act*, an Ombudsman referred to in subsection 223.13 (1) of this Act, or the investigator referred to in subsection 239.2 (1).;
- Education or training sessions for council or local boards if the meeting is held for that purpose and if at the meeting, no member discusses or otherwise deals with any matter in a way that materially advances the business or decision-making of the council, local board or committee.

Carried

Moved by Ted Browne
Seconded Carl Kuehl

Motion to come out of committee of the whole. Carried

Council directed CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat to move forward with the matter discussed in Committee of the Whole.

By - Law #14 - 2023 – Confirming By-Law:

Moved by Ted Browne
Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

THAT By-Law 14 – 2023 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards at its Regular Meeting held on April 25, 2023 be given its 1st , 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 25th day of April, 2023. Carried.

Adjournment

Moved by Ted Browne
Seconded by Brian Pecoskie

Motion to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting of April 25, 2023 for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards. Carried.

Mayor – Dave Mayville

CAO/Clerk-Treasurer – Tammy Gorgerat