

**January 5, 2021**

**Special Meeting**

**7:00 PM**

Council for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards met on the above date with Mayor Janice Visneskie Moore and Councillors Debbie Peplinskie, Ted Browne, Brian Pecoskie, John Jeffrey, Stanley Pecoskie and Carl Kuehl attending in person in the council chambers.

Also, in attendance electronically were staff members CAO Clerk-Treasurer Sue Sheridan, Works Superintendent Dean Holly and Community Development Coordinator Chris Neff.

**Mayor's Address:**

Good Evening: Welcome to our first meeting of 2021. On behalf of council, I want to wish everyone a Happy New Year. 2020 was an exceptionally difficult year for everyone worldwide. It definitely brought different challenges for each and everyone of us.

Council's main goal was, and still is, to provide services that we are mandated to provide and to also keep everyone safe and healthy throughout this pandemic.

We want to thank the public for their co-operation as we ensure that we are following all Provincial and Federal legislation and the regulations and guidelines of the Renfrew County and District Health Unit. They were often changing daily; weekly and monthly so staff have kept on top of the changes so that the municipality was always in compliance.

Again, the focus for the municipality is always keeping everyone safe and healthy. 2021 will continue to provide challenges until COVID can be stopped. Council continues to provide services as we must move forward.

I would like to mention a few items that the municipality accomplished in 2020. We have finished in partnership with the Killaloe and Area District Library board and volunteers and the Province of Ontario our new expansion of the Library. This is a wonderful asset for our municipality and surrounding municipalities. We continue to work towards completion of our much-needed new Fire Hall. COVID has slowed down the progress, but everyone is working towards completion in early 2021.

New legislation and regulations both Federally, Provincially and County wide are of concern so we must monitor and voice our opinions on anything that we are concerned about in protecting our public's best interest.

As we try to continue business as usual, we must often think outside the box. Thank you to Council for your hard work and to staff for your ability to adjust to changes. Thank you to the media for your dedication in getting our message out to the public and a thank you to the public for your patience as we work through the red tape to ensure that the public is being kept safe.

We want to thank everyone again on the co-operation as we do things outside the box. Again, I want to wish everyone a Happy New Year. Please stay safe and healthy.

**Pecuniary/Financial Interest** No member of council declared pecuniary/financial interest.

**Minutes:**

Moved by Ted Browne  
Seconded by Brian Pecoskie

Motion to approve minutes of held on December 15, 2020, for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards. Carried.

**Meetings:**

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| - | January 6, 2021  | 10:00 am | Road Committee                  |
| - | January 6, 2021  | 7:00 pm  | Recreation & Culture Committee  |
| - | January 12, 2021 | 7:00 pm  | Waste Management Committee      |
| - | January 14, 2021 | 10:00 am | Policies, Procedures and By-law |
| - | January 19, 2021 | 7:00 pm  | Special Meeting                 |
| - | January 20, 2021 | 7:00 pm  | Finance Committee               |
| - | February 3, 2021 | 10:00 am | Pay Equity Committee            |

- February 9, 2021 7:00 pm Public Meeting – Notice for fee increases.

### **Reports:**

#### **Community Development Coordinator Chris Neff reported on the following:**

Item #1 – Love the Holidays Contest Winners

Item #2 – Newsletter – Due to COVID lockdown the deadline for the newsletter was extended to January 8, 2021 to accommodate many organizations who are unsure what they will be permitted to do going forward and will allow KHR staff to post the most relevant news and up to date information.

Item #3 – The 2021 “Snow Down” Sculpture/Art Contest which will be jointly sponsored with KHR and Madawaska Valley was launched today and will run from January 12 to March 12, 2021.

Fire Chief Gareau was not in attendance and his report was approved by Council. Three fire responses. Activities of Note: KPS updated safety plan for 2020/2021, Fire Prevention chapter meeting, New fire hall meeting, CEMC initiatives and COVID-19 statistics.

#### **Works Superintendent Dean Holly reported on the following:**

- The road department continues to do regular road maintenance in conjunction with the recent weather event, brushing when time permits, along with minor equipment maintenance and repairs.
- Shoving back snowbanks when we can and back dragging some of the roads.
- Councillor Kuehl brought forth a request from the Senior Friendship Club for barricades between their building and the next building driveway. Councillor Browne offered to make a barricade and donate to the Seniors Friendship Club.

### **CAO Clerk-Treasurer**

- Council agreed to resume special meetings in person in council chambers beginning with the next special meeting on January 19, 2021 based on the current restrictions under COVID-19.

### **Correspondence:**

- a) **Office of the Solicitor General** – New deadline for the CSWB plan is July 1, 2021 – filed.
- b) **Ministry of the Attorney General** – Expanding use of certified evidence in Provincial Offences court – filed.
- c) **Ministry of Children & Community & Social Services** – Reducing Poverty in Ontario report-filed.
- d) **Email from Peter Emon** – Racism and Diversity Report – filed.
- e) **Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing** – Enforcement orders under the Reopening Act – filed.
- f) **Ministry of Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs** – Discussion paper on new amendments to the Drainage Act – filed.
- g) **Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing** – KHR municipal allocation of \$22,000 for COVID-19 – filed.
- h) **AFA, MNRF** – Review of the planning operations for the ten-year period 2021-2031 – filed.
- i) **Ottawa Valley Business Newsletter** – January 5 edition- filed.
- j) **Ministry of Transportation** – Expansion of off-road vehicles as of January 1 ,2021 – filed.
- k) **Valley Heritage Radio** – 2021 Municipal Communications package – filed.
- l) **County of Renfrew** – Deferral of 2020 and 2021 Permit Fees tourism signage – filed.

### **By-Laws**

Moved by Carl Kuehl

Seconded by Stanley Pecoskie

Motion for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of By-Law #01-2021, being a by-law to authorize the borrowing of money to meet current expenditures of the Council of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards. Carried.

The CAO Clerk-Treasurer read By-Law #01-2021 a first and second time.

Moved by Debbie Peplinskie  
Seconded by Brian Pecoskie

Motion for 3<sup>rd</sup> reading of By-Law #01-2021. Carried.

The CAO Clerk-Treasurer read By-Law #01-2021 a third time short, at which time it was passed by Council.

Moved by Debbie Peplinskie  
Seconded by Carl Kuehl

Motion for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of By-Law #02-2021 being a by-law to provide for an Interim tax levy and the payment of Interim taxes and to provide for penalty and interest of one and on-quarter percent for the year 2021. Carried.

The CAO Clerk-Treasurer read By-Law #02-2021 a first and second time.

Moved by John Jeffrey  
Seconded by Brian Pecoskie

Motion for 3<sup>rd</sup> reading of By-Law #02-2021. Carried.

The CAO Clerk-Treasurer read By-Law #02-2021 a third time short, at which time it was passed by Council.

Moved by Debbie Peplinskie  
Seconded by Ted Browne

Motion for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of By-Law #03-2021, being a by-law to appoint members of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards Committee of Adjustment. Carried.

The CAO Clerk-Treasurer read By-Law #03-2021 a first and second time.

Moved by Stanley Pecoskie  
Seconded by Brian Pecoskie

Motion for 3<sup>rd</sup> reading of By-Law #03-2021. Carried.

The CAO Clerk-Treasurer read By-Law #03-2021 a third time short, at which time it was passed by Council.

Moved by Carl Kuehl  
Seconded by Ted Browne

Motion for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of By-Law #04-2021 being a by-law to amend By-law number 18-94, being the Zoning By-law of the former Corporation of the former Township of Hagarty and Richards, as amended. Carried.

The CAO Clerk-Treasurer read By-Law #04-2021 a first and second time.

Moved by Debbie Peplinskie  
Seconded by Ted Browne

Motion for 3<sup>rd</sup> reading of By-Law #04-2021. Carried.

The CAO Clerk-Treasurer read By-Law #04-2021 a third time short, at which time it was passed by Council.

Mayor Visneskie Moore asked if all members of council were alone.

**Committee of the Whole:**

Moved by Debbie Peplinskie  
Seconded by Carl Kuehl

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;
- 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;
- X Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board;
- X 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 reasonably be expected to significantly prejudice 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 board or a committee of either or them, if the meeting is held for that purpose of educating or training the members, 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.

Moved by Debbie Peplinskie  
 Seconded by Ted Browne

Motion to come out of committee of the whole. Carried.

Moved by Stanley Pecoskie  
 Seconded by Ted Browne

Motion for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of By-Law #05-2021, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its Special Meeting held on January 5, 2021. Carried.

The CAO Clerk-Treasurer read By-Law #05-2021 a first and second time.

Moved by Debbie Peplinskie  
 Seconded by Carl Kuehl

Motion for 3<sup>rd</sup> reading of By-Law #05-2021. Carried.

The CAO Clerk-Treasurer read By-Law #05-2021 a third time short, at which time it was passed by Council. Carried.

Moved by Debbie Peplinskie  
 Seconded by Carl Kuehl

Motion to adjourn Special Meeting held on January 5, 2021 for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards. Carried.

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Mayor

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CAO Clerk-Treasurer