

**March 24, 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, Stanley Pecoskie, John Jeffrey and Carl Kuehl in attendance.

Also, in attendance electronically were staff members Works Superintendent Dean Holly, and Community Development Coordinator Chris Neff.

Mayor Visneskie Moore welcomed everyone and brought the meeting to order.

**Pecuniary/Financial Interest** Councillor Browne stated he would declare at the appropriate time.

**Minutes:**

Moved by Debbie Peplinskie

Seconded by Carl Kuehl

Motion to approve minutes of the Special meeting held on February 16, 2021. Carried.

**Delegations:** Cathy Lyons and Phil Godin representing the Friends of the Killaloe Library attended the meeting virtually and were invited to address council. Ms. Lyons provided a report on the Killaloe Kids BookFest which was postponed in 2020 due to COVID-19. She stated that their funds allocated for the BookFest were committed to the expansion of the Killaloe and District Public Library instead. Ms. Lyons thanked the Mayor and Council for their support and generous donations in the past over the initial four years. These events have contributed to putting Killaloe on the map as a great place for Canadian children's authors to visit as well as a community that cares deeply about the future of its children and importance of strong reading and writing skills to their overall development. Ms. Lyons stated that they have been looking for alternatives for a post-pandemic BookFest operation and have been working with Community Development Officer Chris Neff on a reading trail which will be included in the funding request for the Pathways to Community Wellness. Ms. Lyons advised that the principals from Killaloe Public School and St. Andrew's Catholic School took the initiative of finding authors to conduct virtual reading for their students by three acclaimed children's authors. Ms. Lyons thanked Council for their generosity in the past and providing donations to assist in bringing the authors to our community. Council thanked both Ms. Lyons and Mr. Godin for giving of their time and volunteering for our community and our Library.

**Reports:**

In the absence of the Fire Chief Bob Gareau, Council accepted the Fire Department report as a whole and any questions be directed to the Fire Chief.

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

- Item #1 – Canada Day – Fireworks for both Killaloe and Round Lake have been ordered for launching at Killaloe Public School and Sheryl Boyle Park and the plans are under way to hold a Virtual Duck Race as in 2020.
- Item #2 - Easter Egg Hunt – This event is scheduled on Saturday, April 3, 2021 from 10:00 am to 4:00pm in Station Park.
- Item #3 – Environmental Action Tour – Scheduled for May 29, 2021 from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm, with \$1,000 in prizes, 10 free garbage bags, free souvenir T-Shirt for first 100 registrants and a free socially distanced BBQ.
- Item #4 – List of important dates on events scheduled.
- Item #5 – Killaloe Pathways to Community Wellness- Grant submitted and results expected in May.
- Item #6 – Snow Down contest with partnering municipalities – Huge success and winners to be announced live on March 25, 2021 on Star 96.7.

- Item #7 – Social media update with over 1000 followers and likes. Council approved moving to include Instagram as a further social media platform.
- Item #8 – Updates – Outdoor rinks closed for the season, training, meetings and possible date for the Salvage King episode featuring the Hoch Farm.
- Item #9 – Drone – Council approved the purchase of this item but instructed Mr. Neff to obtain a firm price on insurance cost.

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

- Since the last meeting and with the recent warm weather, staff have been busy steaming culverts, grading, cold patching, brushing and regular spring maintenance of roads and overall maintenance of all vehicles.
- Engaged the services of a bucket truck to repair broken wires on two streetlights in the Village.
- Due to the recent warmer weather and frost coming out on the roads, fielding more calls regarding the condition of the gravel roads and will be addressed as soon as the roads dry.
- Discussion on the letter received from Bonnie Zelney regarding a request to pave Lisk Road. Mayor Tiedje advised that she and Works Superintendent Holly and Councillor Kuehl met on Lisk Road to assess the situation. Works Superintendent Holly provided a cost analysis to maintain the road during the summer season and provided an estimate to pave the approximate 1.8 km. Mr. Holly believes that the current width and structure of this road will not hold up after the first snow event. Council agreed to spend \$50,000 in "A" and "B" gravel to mitigate the issues referenced by Ms. Zelney.
- Councillor Pecoskie brought forth costs provided by Emterra Environmental for consideration in reducing our waste management costs for recycling and/or C&D. Works Superintendent advised that the cost per tonnage is comparable, but the bins are not feasible for our recycling needs. Council instructed Mr. Holly to obtain further costs for consideration.
- The two new recycling bins have been received and a load of tires has been picked up.
- Waste employees continue to clean up the waste sites and the HHWD has been scheduled for June 18, 2021 pending any COVID-19 restrictions.

Moved by Carl Kuehl

Seconded by Debbie Peplinskie

Motion to accept the RFP for one Diesel Powered 6 Ton Tandem Axle Truck with combination dump body/spreader, snowplow and wing in the amount of \$295,798.40 includes taxes from Valley Truck and Spring Service to be leased over three years. Carried.

Moved by Carl Kuehl

Seconded by Stanley Pecoskie

Motion to accept the only tender in the amount of \$47,855.50 including taxes for a 2021 Ford F-2500 Series ¾ ton 4 x 4 Reg Cab – Gasoline from Summers Bros. Ford, Killaloe, Ontario. Carried.

- Councillor Browne brought forth a request from a ratepayer to possibly dredge the boat launch. Councillor Pecoskie and Works Superintendent Holly to visit the boat launch in Calabogie.

I, Ted Browne, declare pecuniary/financial interest with road and general voucher #02-2021. Councillor Browne left the meeting.

**Expenditures:**

Moved by Brian Pecoskie

Seconded by John Jeffrey

Motion to approve Road and General voucher #02-2021 in the amount of \$489,883.04. Carried.

Councillor Browne returned to the meeting. Works Superintendent Holly left the meeting.

**CAO Clerk-Treasurer Sue Sheridan reported on the following:**

- Received correspondence approving the Fire Grant in the amount of \$5,100.00.
- Attended the tax working group meeting to discuss tax rates and decisions to be made on tax policies. County of Renfrew is requesting that all municipal 2021 tax rates be inputted into OPTA by June 18, 2021.
- Information from MPAC regarding reassessment of properties may be delayed until later this year and which year to use as the CVA.
- Province of Ontario has extended all dates for compliance under asset management for one year. Staff will be meeting with PSD to be compliant by the original date of July 1, 2021.

Moved by Carl Kuehl

Seconded by Ted Browne

That the Council for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards hereby approved the 2020 annual report for the Killaloe Drinking Water System. Carried.

Moved by Debbie Peplinskie

Seconded by Carl Kuehl

Motion to accept the Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2020 for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards. Carried.

**Committee Reports:**

Moved by Debbie Peplinskie

Seconded by Carl Kuehl

Motion to approve minutes of Pay Equity Committee meeting held on February 3, 2021, open and closed sessions. Carried.

Moved by Debbie Peplinskie

Seconded by Ted Browne

Motion to approve minutes of Finance Committee meeting held on April 27, 2020. Carried.

Moved by John Jeffrey

Seconded by Debbie Peplinskie

Motion to approve the minutes of the Recreation and Culture Committee meetings held on December 10, 2020 closed and January 6, 2021. Carried.

Moved by Debbie Peplinskie

Seconded by Carl Kuehl

Motion to approve minutes of Personnel Committee meetings held on October 30, 2020 and February 18, 2021, open and closed sessions. Carried.

Moved by John Jeffrey

Seconded by Debbie Peplinskie

Motion to approve the minutes of the Ward System Review Committee dated November 16, 2020. Carried.

Councillor Peplinskie advised that a further meeting is scheduled on April 19, 2021.

### **Correspondence:**

**BRWMP** – Letters from Tom Gibeault, Rick Shore, and Kevin Raglan- The CAO Clerk-Treasurer was instructed to send a letter advising what actions the stakeholders have taken with regards to the amendment to date.

**Letter from Anna Traer** – Request to write off penalty and interest on taxes – Council approved Ms. Traer’s request to write off penalty and interest.

**Reiche Law** – Council Education Training Session – Council agreed to host an education session on the topics listed.

**Township of Bonnechere Valley** – Resolution -Off Road vehicles – filed.

**Township of North Algona Wilberforce** – Review bus transportation in our area- filed.

**Letter from Bonnie Zelney** – Lisk Road – CAO Clerk-Treasurer to reply on this matter.

**Municipality of Tweed** – resolution – Reform of Joint and Several Liability – filed.

**Letter from Camp Mishewah** – Property tax exemption for recreational purposes – filed.

**Community Safety and Well Being Plan** – Media release and Public Consultation Survey – filed.

**Katherine O’Hara** – President GLPOA- Update – filed.

**AMCTO** – Open letter to municipal councils – filed.

**Ottawa Valley Business Newsletter** – March 2 and 16, 2021 editions – filed.

**Royal Canadian Legion** – Request to hang banners from mid September to November 12, 2021– Council approved this request.

**County of Renfrew** – Municipal support for EORN Gig Project - filed.

**Solicitor General** – Update on the new OPP detachment boards – Council to participate in virtual session on this matter.

### **By-Laws**

Moved by Brian Pecoskie

Seconded by Ted Browne

Motion for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of By-Law #14-2021, being a by-law to authorize the execution of a Funding Agreement between Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario, hereinafter referred to as “Province”, as represented by the Office of the Fire Marshall, and the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards, hereinafter referred to as the “Recipient”. Carried.

The CAO Clerk-Treasurer read By-Law #14-2021 a first and second time.

Moved by Brian Pecoskie

Seconded by Ted Browne

Motion for 3<sup>rd</sup> reading of By-Law #14-2021. Carried.

The CAO Clerk-Treasurer read By-Law #14-2021 a third time short, at which time it was passed by Council.

Moved by Debbie Peplinskie

Seconded by Ted Browne

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Committee 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;
- X 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 reasonably 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 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. Carried.

Moved by Ted Browne  
 Seconded by John Jeffrey

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

Moved by Ted Browne  
 Seconded by John Jeffrey

Motion for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of By-Law #12-2021, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its Special Meeting held on March 24, 2021. Carried.

The CAO Clerk-Treasurer read By-Law #12-2021 a first and second time.

Moved by Brian Pecoskie  
 Seconded by Debbie Peplinskie

Motion for 3<sup>rd</sup> reading of By-Law #12-2021. Carried.

The CAO Clerk-Treasurer read By-Law #12-2021 a third time short, at which time it was passed by Council.

Moved by Debbie Peplinskie  
 Seconded by Ted Browne

Motion to adjourn Special Meeting held on March 24, 2021 for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards. Carried.