

May 2, 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 Community Development Coordinator Chris Neff.

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

Pecuniary/Financial Interest:

No Council Member declared Pecuniary/Financial Interest.

Delegation:

Donald McInnes was present and invited to address Council. Mr. McInnes inquired as to why Byers Creek Road was not considered for road repairs this year, if Council could provide a time frame as to when it would be completed, and he voiced his concerns as to the disrepair. Council indicated that they had to make difficult decisions in relation to roads and due to other roads in the Township also being in disrepair, Byers Creed Road was, unfortunately, not one of the roads decided on. Council discussed with Mr. McInnes his concerns and thanked him for coming forward.

Mayor Mayville indicated that he had an announcement to make; he advised he was happy to support local healthcare including; St. Francis Memorial Hospital, Madawaska Valley, the Hospice Palliative Care and the Valley Manor with the purchase of Tim Hortons "Smile Cookies".

Minutes:

Moved by Bil Smith

Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on April 25, 2023 open & closed sessions. Carried.

Moved by Brian Pecoskie

Seconded by Harold Lavigne

Motion to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of April 11, 2023 open session. Carried.

Reports:

Public Works Superintendent: Public Works Superintendent Dean Holly was present and invited to give his report. Public Works Superintendent Holly reported that regular road maintenance continues with cold patching, grading, opening blocked culverts, regular equipment maintenance and street sweeping. Public Works Superintendent Holly advised the loader is back from the shop and that once street sweeping is complete his department will commence with the brushing of the sides of the roadways. Public Works Superintendent Holly reported that the County of Renfrew will be removing their half loads on May 18, 2023, however, for Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards, half loads will remain in effect until all precipitation has ceased and the roads have dried up. As it relates to waste management, Public Works Superintendent Holly reported that the brush pile at the Mask Road landfill site was burnt on Monday by the Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards Fire Department, and he is still waiting to set a date for a meeting with a neighbouring municipality to see how they operate their landfill site.

Councillor Browne inquired if there was any word on a date as to when the County of Renfrew will be painting the speed limits on Queen Street. Public Works Superintendent Holly indicated he did not have a date as of yet. Councillor Browne also indicated that he wanted to relay a "thank you" to the Deputy Public Works Superintendent Kevin Kuehl as his father-in-law's dog broke his chain, was stuck between two stones in the bush, and was found by Mr. Kuehl.

Council thanked Public Works Superintendent Holly for his report at which time he left the meeting.

Community Development Coordinator: Community Development Coordinator Chris Neff was present and invited to give his report. Community Development Coordinator Neff reported that the KHR Volunteer Appreciation Awards were held on April 21 and the Environmental Action Tour is taking place on May 13; with 95 participants, 28 teams and he reported that 50 people were in attendance at the meet and greet on April 28. Community Development Coordinator Neff voiced a special thank you to the Killaloe & District Public Library for allowing the meet and greet in the Library. Community Development Coordinator Neff advised that he attended the OVTA AGM on April 25, the Bonnechere Valley Tourism Strategy Launch on April 26, and the OBIAA Conference the week of April 17; indicating that he attended excellent workshops, an amazing trade show, experienced strong networking and has new ideas he will be bringing to Council in the next little while. Community Development Coordinator Neff thanked Council for the opportunity to go to the OBIAA Conference. Community Development Coordinator Neff reported the Township was successful in receiving grant funding of \$5,000.00 from Celebrate Canada and that he submitted a grant application to Experience Ontario for approx. \$10,000.00 to pay for half the costs for the Irish Gathering. Community Development Coordinator Neff also reported that as it relates to summer students; the Township was successful in receiving \$3,812 from the Summer Experience Program for one position and \$11,857.50 from Canada Summer Jobs for 6 positions; the interview process took place April 13 and 14 and a motion is prepared for the hiring.

Community Development Coordinator Neff indicated that the application for the Taste of the Valley has been submitted and he reviewed the draft agreement with Council on the use of Station Park by the Killaloe Farmers Market Group for the Farmers Market this year.

And lastly, Community Development Coordinator Neff reported, as it relates to other updates; he attended a Beavertails meeting on April 11, a Killaloe Pathways Park meeting on April 12, the Algonquin History Workshop on April 20 and he will be attending the Economic Development 101 Workshop on May 3.

Councillor Browne inquired as to the tentative dates for the Taste of the Valley and Community Development Coordinator Neff indicated that he would have to get back to him with the dates. Councillor Browne asked for more clarification on the signage requested by the Farmers Market noted in the draft agreement. A conversation was had about the signage placement and Community Development Coordinator Neff indicated that the Township signage would take precedence, and if needed, the appropriate authorities would be contacted in relation to installing signage. Councillor Browne inquired if the Economic Development Committee was in approval of the draft agreement and Councillor MacMillan indicated that yes they were. Council discussed waiving the \$100.00 fee for the Special Events Permit for the Farmers Market and agreed that it would be waived. CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat will prepare a resolution for the next Council meeting for passing.

Moved by Maureen MacMillan
Seconded by Bil Smith

WHEREAS the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards agrees to enter into an agreement between the Municipality and the Killaloe Farmers Market Group pending all listed requirements and approvals as stated in the Station Park, Killaloe, Farmers Market, 2023. Carried.

Moved by Bil Smith
Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

WHEREAS the Council for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards agrees to the hiring of the following summer students:

Michaela Vandergragt as the Community Development Assistant;
Emily Mintha for the Visitor's Information Centre;
Riley Comerford as the Plant Caretaker;
Grace Beauchamp as the Swim Instructor;
Lukas Velakis as the Assistant Swim Instructor;
Grant Summers as Public Works/Labourer; and
Ethan Mask as Public Works/Labourer. Carried

Council thanked Community Development Coordinator Neff for his report at which time he left the meeting.

CAO/Clerk – Treasurer: CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Tammy Gorgerat was present and invited to give her report. CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat advised the Librarian is asking Council for an advance in payment in the amount of either \$10,000.00 or \$20,000.00 to hold them over until the passing of the budget. Council discussed and agreed to \$20,000.00. Carried.

Moved by Maureen MacMillan
Seconded by Brian Pecoskie

WHEREAS the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards agrees provide the Killaloe and District Public Library with an advance in payment in the amount of \$20,000.00.

Council thanked CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat for her report.

Committee Reports:

Councillor MacMillan provided an update to the website project that the Economic Development Committee is working on.

Correspondence:

Town of Bracebridge – Re: Resolution Regarding School Bus Stop Arm Cameras – The following resolution was presented:

Moved by Harold Lavigne
Seconded by Brian Pecoskie

WHEREAS the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards supports the motion brought forward by the Town of Bracebridge for School Bus Stop Arm Cameras.

NOW THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards urges the Provincial Government to:

1. Require all school buses to have stop arm cameras installed and paid for by the Province for the start of the 2023-2024 school year; and
2. Underwrite the costs for the implementation and ongoing annual costs for Administrative Monetary Penalties in small and rural municipalities;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to Premier Doug Ford, Attorney General Doug Downey, Minister of Education Stephen Lecce, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry and MPP for Parry Sound-Muskoka Graydon Smith, Provincial opposition parties, AMO, and all municipalities in Ontario. Carried

Township of The Archipelago – Re: Resolution Regarding Road Management Action on Invasive Phragmites - filed

Mayor Mayville – Re: The Men’s Shed – A Social Healthcare Innovation - Council to review and discuss at the next Regular Council meeting

West Lincoln – Re: Motion in Support of Bill 5 – Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act Letter to Doug Ford – CAO/Clerk – Treasurer to prepare a resolution and bring to the next Regular Council meeting for passing

Town of Fort Erie – Re: Resolution – Change to the Municipal Oath of Office - filed

Unfinished Business:

Councillor MacMillan reported that Facilities Asset Manager Dale Thompson is looking into the water tap matter and she will provide updates as they arrive.

New Business:

Councillor Smith asked Council to consider raising a pride flag during the month of June. Council had no objections to this request.

Moved by Bil Smith
Seconded by Ted Browne

Be it resolved that the Township will raise an inclusive pride flag during the month of June to acknowledge pride month. Carried.

By - Law #15 - 2023 – Confirming By-Law:

Moved by Ted Browne
Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

THAT By-Law 15 – 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 May 2, 2023 be given its 1st , 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 2nd day of May, 2023. Carried.

Adjournment

Moved by Bil Smith
Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

Motion to adjourn the Regular Council meeting of May 2, 2023 for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards. Carried.

Mayor – Dave Mayville

CAO/Clerk-Treasurer – Tammy Gorgerat