

**May 19, 2009**

**Regular Meeting**

**7:00 PM**

The Council for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards met on the above date with Councillors Isabel O'Reilly, Kathy Marion, Ernie Cybulski, Stanley Pecoskie, Carl Kuehl and Debbie Peplinskie present. Mayor Janice Visneskie chaired the meeting, which she opened and called to order.

**Pecuniary/Financial Interest:** No pecuniary/financial interest was declared by any of the Council members present.

**Minutes:**

Moved by Carl Kuehl  
Seconded by Stanley Pecoskie

Motion to approve minutes of regular meeting dated May 5, 2009. Carried.

**Delegations:** Gerry Boyer, Principal of St. Casimir's Roman Catholic School in Round Lake, was present and was invited to address Council. He gave a powerpoint presentation relating to his work as a volunteer with the Renfrew County Child Poverty Action Network – Social Inclusion Action Strategy Committee. The committee is currently focusing on creating a fund to assist families who are faced with the additional costs associated with school fees for things such as indoor shoes, hot lunches, school supplies and end of year school trips. This is currently a pilot project and St. Casimir's is one of three Renfrew County schools that will be participating. The program will be dependent upon successful fundraising and donations, which will be ongoing and led by CPAN and its partners. Council thanked Mr. Boyer for his presentation, at which time he left the meeting.

Garnet Kranz was present and was invited to address Council. He requested permission for the Killaloe-Hagarty-Richards Heritage Society to construct a sun shelter to accommodate the Farmers Market at Hoch Park. Council reviewed the sketch that he had provided in this regard, as well as the report from the CBO on the proposed project. Based on the information from Mr. Kranz and the CBO, Council approved the request to construct the building on the Hoch Park property, and advised Mr. Kranz to contact the CBO in regard to the issuance of a building permit. Mr. Kranz thanked Council and left the meeting.

Robbie Anderman was present and was invited to address Council. Mr. Anderman requested that draft minutes be made public so that people have the opportunity to comment and/or correct them before they are adopted by Council. Both Mayor Visneskie and Councillor Marion pointed out that often draft minutes require corrections before they are approved. The concern is that these drafts could be perceived as actual minutes prior to their adoption by Council, even if they are marked as a draft document. Mayor Visneskie advised that this Council continues to welcome members of the public to their meetings, and is not adverse to re-opening an issue if there is a reason to do so. She also pointed out that both local papers are in attendance at meetings, and that the minutes are posted in the municipal building and on the municipal website, so there is information available to the public to keep them apprised of municipal issues. Mr. Anderman thanked Council and left the table.

**Reports:** Fire Chief Jim Whelan was present and was invited to address Council. Interviews for the vacant positions on the fire department will take place on May 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM at the Killaloe Fire Hall. The Annual Open House will be held on July 18<sup>th</sup> at the Round Lake Fire Hall.

Mr. Whelan made Council aware of an information session regarding the recent Ministry of Labour recommendations relating to bunker suits. Councillor Peplinskie, Councillor Kuehl, the Fire Chief and the Deputy Fire Chief will attend. Mr. Whelan requested and received approval to proceed with purchasing the radios and pagers that he had requested in his 2009 budget estimate. Council thanked Mr. Whelan for his report, at which time he left the meeting.

Works Superintendent Clifford Yantha was present and was invited to address Council. He reported that the Works Department had completed a maintenance project on John

Street, cutting back the shoulders of the road. The clean-up at the Killaloe Waste Site has been completed. Repairs to Mask Road have been started and will be completed on Thursday of this week. The wood debris that was left from the trees that were removed from Sheryl Boyle Park has been taken to the waste site. Fill has been applied to Heritage Road.

Councillor Kuehl advised that he had been asked if the municipal parking lot could be used when the Baptist Church holds its summer day camp program. Council had no objection to this request. Councillor Marion requested that a compost bin be placed near the garden shed that is being constructed by the Garden Club at Station Park. Council approved this request. Councillor Cybulski reported that he had received a request that the township sweep the sand off the road at the intersection of Tramore Road and Boyle's Lane. Mr. Yantha advised that this has been completed.

### **Road & General Vouchers:**

Moved by Carl Kuehl  
Seconded by Stanley Pecoskie

Motion to approve Road and General Voucher #04-09 in the amount of \$145,229.52. Carried.

Council thanked Mr. Yantha for his report, at which time he left the meeting.

**CAO/Clerk-Treasurer:** The CAO/Clerk-Treasurer reviewed the list of upcoming meetings with Council. She also advised that a request had been received from the librarian for a portion of the 2009 municipal allocation to the Killaloe & District Public Library. Council approved a payment of \$5,000.

The CAO/Clerk-Treasurer reported that she had discussed the draft agreement for the water and sewage treatment plants with OCWA. OCWA has provided another draft with a three-year term, however, as the cost of preparing the required management plans for the two facilities is spread over a three-year rather than a five-year term, the three-year contract is an additional \$2,000. As this cost was not factored in to the recent water & sewage rate increase, Council agreed to the five-year term, and will continue to pursue all options for the provision of water and sewage services during this time.

Council approved a request that had been received to have a brochure holder installed at the Tourist Information booth. Council also approved the payment of the \$1350 budgeted allocated to the Garden Club.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Recreation Committee:** The CAO/Clerk-Treasurer advised that the information relating to the Recreational Infrastructure Canada grant program has been received, and that she is in the process of preparing the grant application for the Killaloe Rink.

**Finance Committee:** Councillor Marion initiated a discussion relating to the installation of a boat dock at Round Lake. Councillor Cybulski expressed his concerns about safety for swimmers and boaters using the same facility, pollution of the lake, and the cost of the dock. Councillor Pecoskie advised that the dock would benefit the economy, as people could come across the lake in their boats to visit local businesses. He also pointed out that it is very difficult to load a boat onto a trailer because you have to wade out into the water instead of being able to walk along the dock and pull the boat up out of the water. He advised that there would only be one side of the dock that you would be able to tie your boat to, and that signage could be installed prohibiting people from tying their boats up in the loading area. The dock would be removed for the winter by township staff, and either stored on site or at the roads yard. Council asked the CAO/Clerk-Treasurer to apply for the dock under the Recreational Infrastructure Canada program, which, if successful, would provide 2/3 of the funding for the project. The CAO/Clerk-Treasurer advised that the remaining 1/3 could be taken out of the Shoreline Road Allowance Reserve. Council agreed to submit the grant application, but even if it is not successful, to proceed with the installation of the dock this year and include it in the 2009 budget.

**Killaloe & District Public Library Board:** Mayor Visneskie reported on the two library board meetings which she and Councillor Cybulski have attended. Council reviewed and accepted two letters of resignation from the board, one from Maria Mayville and the other from Bruce Burnett. Mayor Visneskie advised that, at the first meeting members of the public had requested that they be allowed to address the board and were told that they were required to write a letter instead. At the second meeting, the members of the public that were present were told that the board did not have sufficient time to address the letters at the meeting, leading to a request that a policy be developed to address public delegations at the board meetings. Mayor Visneskie asked Council to affirm that this had been their instruction, and was told by Council that it was. Mayor Visneskie also reported that the library budget had been discussed at the board meeting, but that there seemed to be confusion regarding the amount of the library reserve. She advised that she has offered to have the municipal accountant address this issue with them, and that she has made the board aware that there is a larger meeting space available to them in the former council chambers when they require additional space. Council did not object to any of the aforementioned actions. Mayor Visneskie informed Council that, due to the recent resignations from the board, the library board is no longer a legal entity under the Public Libraries Act. She advised that the remaining board members have been made aware of this by the CAO/Clerk-Treasurer, and that ads have been placed in the local papers and on the municipal website for applicants to fill the vacant position.

Council reviewed correspondence from Maria Mayville relating to her concern that information that she had sent to the municipal office and library board members, was made available to the public prior to this meeting. Council asked the CAO/Clerk-Treasurer to respond to this correspondence. Councillor O'Reilly advised that the library has hired a student for the summer.

**ORPC:** Councillor O'Reilly reported that she had attended the Annual General Meeting of the Ottawa River Power Corporation and Ottawa River Energy Solutions. Councillor Kuehl questioned why no dividends are being paid in regard to the townships' shares in ORES. The CAO/Clerk-Treasurer was asked to obtain information on the shares that the township has in both of the aforementioned companies.

**VPAC:** Councillor Peplinskie reported that the draft volunteer policy is being prepared, and that the next VPAC meeting is scheduled for June 8, 2009 at 6:30 PM.

Moved by Debbie Peplinskie  
Seconded by Stanley Pecoskie

Motion to approve minutes of VPAC (Volunteer Policy Advisory Committee) dated April 15, 2009 and May 4, 2009. Carried.

### **Correspondence:**

**Ron Hackett:** Rural and Northern Health Care – Councillor Marion will forward this information to the board at Valley Manor.

**Town of Ingersoll:** Bill 221, Workplace Safety & Insurance Act Amendment – filed.

**Algonquin East.com:** Invitation to advertise on their website – filed.

**Minister Responsible for Seniors:** Seniors' Month proclamation.

Moved by Kathy Marion  
Seconded by Isabel O'Reilly

Motion to support Seniors' Month proclamation June 1-30, 2009. Carried.

**Canada/Ontario:** Infrastructure Stimulus Fund information – filed.

**Betty Biesenthal:** Bonnechere Provincial Park Season – 2009 Renfrew County Natural History Day – Councillor Pecoskie will attend.

**AMO:** Labour Mobility Changes Affect Ontario Municipalities – filed; Government bridge funding for 2010-2011 to support Ontario's Municipalities and Families in Looming Child Care Crisis – filed; Memorandum of Cooperation with Union of Municipalities of Quebec – filed; Green Energy Act Regulation posted for comment – filed; AMO pushes for successful implementation of AODA – filed.

**County of Renfrew:** Chamber of Commerce Media Release re: Harmonized Sales Tax – filed.

**OVTA:** Tourism Week – filed; Local television in crisis – the CAO/Clerk-Treasurer was asked to prepare correspondence in this regard.

**Ministry of Industry:** RINC fund announcement – filed.

**County of Renfrew:** OMMI Seminar - Time Management – filed.

**Dana Jennings:** Eastern Ontario Development Program – filed.

**Township of Woolwich:** Bill 221, Workplace Safety & Insurance Act Amendment – filed.

**Township of Centre Wellington:** Bill 221, Workplace Safety & Insurance Act Amendment – filed.

**Shawna Babcock:** Kidactive PAN-RC Report – filed.

**CRC:** Herb Swadron Bursary – filed.

**Copy of letter to Madawaska Valley Township re: Wilno North Road:** For Council's review – filed.

**Copy of letter to Jack & Gale Sylvestre re:** Council wages for 2008 - For council's review – filed.

**CBO:** Health & Safety Report re: Inspection of Killaloe Rink – The municipality is preparing an application for funding to address the health and safety issues identified in the report.

**Michael Harding:** Black Out Challenge Day – filed.

**Cowan News:** Spring 2009 Newsletter – filed.

**County of Renfrew:** Eastern Ontario Development Program for 2009 – Application Writing Workshops - filed.

**AECL:** Information Bulletin - NRU Status Report #3 – filed.

**AMO:** Community Adjustment Fund for Ontario – Tabled to June 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting.

**Killaloe Public Library:** Information re: Community Adjustment Fund – filed.

**Ontario Family Fishing Weekend Steering Committee:** 2009 Ontario Family Fishing Weekend – July 10 through July 12, 2009 – filed.

**Township of Bonnechere Valley:** Summer Student Safety Training Course – Council approved the cost of the training course for the summer students.

**John Yakabuski, MPP:** Response to townships' letter re: support of Tax Recovery Group – filed.

**Gordon Mask & Julie Cristiano:** Property standards complaints – Forward to Chief Building Official and have him prepare a report for the June 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting.

**Lawrence Mask:** Thank you for free bush days – Forwarded to Works Superintendent.

**Fred Dean:** Communications workshop – filed.

**OGRA:** OGRA to participate in consultation on Bill 118, The Countering Distracted Driving and Promoting Green Transportation Act – filed.

**OCWA:** Killaloe Sewage Inspection Report – filed.

**Renfrew County Senior Games:** Invitation for Mayor to attend banquet – Mayor Visneskie will attend.

**Unfinished Business:** Mayor Visneskie advised that the Olympic Torch Relay will go through Golden Lake, and that she has contacted the Mayor of North Algona Wilberforce Township to advise him that Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards would like to be involved in any local activities that are being planned for this event.

**New Business:** Council asked the CAO/Clerk-Treasurer to send a congratulatory letter to the CRC Weekdayz Youth Group for receiving an award for the Best Bragging Booth at the TYPS Annual Conference.

### **Committee of the Whole:**

Moved by Stanley Pecoskie

Seconded by Debbie Peplinskie

Motion to go into Committee of the Whole re: litigation and personnel. Carried.

Moved by Carl Kuehl

Seconded by Stanley Pecoskie

Motion to come out of Committee of the Whole. Carried.

Moved by Kathy Marion  
Seconded by Isabel O'Reilly

Motion to hire Amanda Chatsick, Jesse Lepine and Tyler Mask for the summer positions with the Works Department. Carried.

Moved by Kathy Marion  
Seconded by Isabel O'Reilly

Motion to hire Robin Vornweg for the summer position at the Information Booth. Carried.

Council agreed that the Swim Program for 2009 will be cancelled, as we have not received applications from qualified personnel to provide the program.

Council reviewed a request for employment at the Tourist Information Booth, and asked the CAO/Clerk-Treasurer to respond in writing, advising that this position has been filled.

**Minutes:**

Moved by Carl Kuehl  
Seconded by Stanley Pecoskie

Motion for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of By-Law # 18-2009, being a by-law confirming the proceedings of Council at its Regular Meeting dated May 19, 2009. Carried.

The CAO/Clerk-Treasurer read By-Law #18-2009 a first and second time.

Moved by Stanley Pecoskie  
Seconded by Carl Kuehl

Motion for 3<sup>rd</sup> reading of By-Law #18-2009. Carried.

The CAO/Clerk-Treasurer read By-Law #18-2009 a third time short, at which time it was passed by council.

**Adjournment:**

Moved by Debbie Peplinskie  
Seconded by Carl Kuehl

Motion to adjourn regular meeting dated May 19, 2009. Carried.

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Mayor

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CAO/Clerk-Treasurer