

December 19, 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.

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

Mayor's Address:

Mayor Mayville presented his address:

Good evening everyone, it's the season of peace good will. I can hardly believe that one year has gone by and we are about to ring in another new year. There has been no shortage of challenges, however, I have to say that the first year of this term has had its ups and downs and it has been a learning experience for everyone. As I said during my inaugural address, we are now embarking on a new era and I will continue to bring a new voice to the table and encourage all of Council to speak out. Throughout this year I have been continually humbled by the passion and generosity of our community, we are a resilient and strong township and I want to thank everyone for their community spirit and kindness. This is what sets this place apart and makes Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards such a fantastic place to live. I have been having a wonderful time serving as Mayor and I am honoured to have met so many inspiring and passionate people. As I look forward to 2024, its with a renewed sense of fondness and appreciation for all those family, friends and colleagues that I am so lucky to have around me. I simply couldn't do it without you all. I would like to further recognize the dedicated residents who volunteer their time, talent and treasure, toward helping those less fortunate. These random acks of kindness enrich each of us. During this time of year let us not forget those in our community who may need something as simple as a smile or need a little extra help to ensure that their day is made brighter. This holiday I hope you will be able to spend time with the people who bring you the most joy. On behalf of Council, my best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a wonderful and healthy new year.

I have attended a few Christmas celebrations on behalf of Council in the last couple of weeks; one was the Library open house and tree lighting on December 7th, it was a great evening with a special guest, Santa Clause and if everyone looks outside, the lights are wonderful. I attended the Library Board meeting on December 13th which was just to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Tammy and I attended our second Physician Recruitment meeting on December 8th, Tammy will have more details in her report. I have forwarded two opportunities to Chris through Tammy; Experience 2024 and Summer Employment Opportunities 2024, both appear realistic. I also forwarded the information for Communities in Bloom, again through Tammy to Chris.

Pecuniary/Financial Interest:

Councillor Browne to declare at the appropriate time.

Delegation:

Christopher Huggett was in attendance and invited to address Council. Mr. Huggett presented Council his concerns related to the licence application to extend the quarry owned by Ben Hokum & Son as it relates to noise and visual esthetics and he provided the specifics of his concerns in the memo provided to Council. Mr. Huggett advised that the out come of his presentation was to hopefully convince Council to pass a resolution to write a letter to Ben Hokum & Sons; copying the ARA, supporting the construction of a berm around the boundary of the new pit and to request that there be an increased setback from Old Trestle Road. Council thanked Mr. Huggett for his presentation and advised that they would review his concerns in greater detail before rendering a decision and once a decision has been made he would be notified.

Mr. Huggett thanked Council for their attention regarding this matter at which time he left the meeting.

Minutes:

Moved by Harold Lavigne
Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of December 5, 2023 open & closed sessions. Carried.

Mayor Mayville indicated that he has received most of the County meeting dates for 2024 as they relate to the budget, asset, strategic plan and regular meetings as well as most of the conference dates. He advised Council that he will attempt to organize dates with CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat as it pertains to the budget timetable and Regular Council meeting dates. Mayor Mayville inquired with Council if the meetings in November will conflict with hunting season. Council discussed and decided to keep the original dates of the Regular Council meetings in November.

Reports:

Fire Chief:

Fire Chief Bob Gareau was present and invited to give his report. Fire Chief Gareau reported that as it relates to operations; there was nothing to report. Ongoing activities include weekly truck checks and monthly equipment checks. Recent events included; SCBA annual maintenance and certification and an Officer's meeting on November 27th, a bi-monthly meeting on November 28th, a Renfrew County quarterly Fire Chief's meeting in Pembroke on December 6th and the Santa Claus Parade on December 9th. Upcoming events include 2024 training schedule meeting on December 20th and recent training included size-up on December 5th and PPE-knots-scene-lighting training on December 12th.

Mayor Mayville inquired with Fire Chief Gareau if he was looking into acquiring the "yield to flashing green lights" signage. Fire Chief Gareau advised that he was unaware of the request. Mayor Mayville indicated they would have further conversation pertaining to the signage. Fire Chief Gareau had no objection.

Councillor Browne advised that the registration for the fire conference is now open and inquired with Fire Chief Gareau if any firefighters advised they would like to attend. Fire Chief Gareau indicated that no one has come forward at this time, but will be bringing it forward once again.

Council thanked Fire Chief Gareau for his report.

Public Works Superintendent:

Public Works Superintendent Dean Holly was present and invited to give his report. Public Works Superintendent Holly indicated that regular road and equipment maintenance continues, the sidewalk plow should be operational tomorrow, and he received notice from the County of Renfrew stating that they will be performing repairs on the Queen Street bridge in June with traffic being rerouted through Cameron Street and Lake Street. Council discussed and asked that Public Works Superintendent implement a plan as to traffic control closer to the date of project commencement. Public Works Superintendent Holly had no objection to this request. Public Works Superintendent Holly reported that the applications for the advertised Truck/Equipment Operator were reviewed with 10 applications received and 5 interviews taking place in the new year. As it pertains to waste management, Public Works Superintendent Holly reported that all C & D has been transported to the Red Rock site and the site has been surveyed as well, and a MOE inspection took place at both the Killaloe and Round Lake waste sites where follow-up information was asked to be forwarded and it was advised that fridges on site still having freon in them need to be in the standing upright position. Public Works Superintendent Holly indicated that there is a course available pertaining to the removal of freon and inquired with Council if he could send waste management staff for the training so the removal of freon could be done inhouse. Council had no objections to this request. Public Works Superintendent Holly reported that he spoke with Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre General Manager Sue McCrae regarding the switch over to Emterra and indicated that Ms. McCrae advised that Public Works

Superintendent Holly reach out in September of 2024 for more information. And lastly, Public Works Superintendent Holly reported that the garbage compactor is in need of repair but should be operational tomorrow.

Council thanked Public Works Superintendent Holly for his report.

CAO/Clerk – Treasurer: CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Tammy Gorgerat was present and invited to give her report. CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat reported that she received an email from Rose-Anne Boucher specifying that a small delegation of local taxpayers would appreciate a meeting with the Public Works, Public Service and Property Committee indicating that their group has a plan of action and potential funding solutions regarding Queen Street safety and would like to present these plans to the Committee. CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat advise that Ms. Boucher also inquired if the Youth Committee has been formed, who the members are as they would appreciate their input on the topic. The Committee had no objection to this request and set a meeting date of January 29, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat advised that the Mayor had asked that she bring forward a request on his behalf. CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat indicated that Mayor Mayville requested a subscription for a magazine called ReNew Canada which covers information pertaining to infrastructure with a cost starting at \$72.00 per year for 6 issues. CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat inquired if any other Council member like a subscription advising that ReNew Canada also offers an eMagazine subscription which includes 6 digital copies per year for free as well as an eNewsletter subscription which includes 52 digital issues per year. Council agreed to the print subscription for the Mayor with no other Council member interested in any of the subscriptions offered.

CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat reported that the Mayor and herself had a teams meeting with Chief Executive Officer Julia Boudreau, Chief Operating Officer Greg McCleod and Chief of Staff Jason Malinowski where the topic of discussion was physician recruitment and retention, housing and incentives funding. CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat indicated that a proposal will be prepared and shared with surrounding Townships for review and once received she will share with Council.

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

Examining Accounts:

I Ted Browne declare Pecuniary/Financial Interest with Road & General Voucher #11-2023.

Councillor Browne left the meeting.

Moved by Bil Smith

Seconded by Harold Lavigne

Motion to approve Road & General Voucher #11 – 2023 in the amount of \$474,556.19.
Carried.

Councillor Browne returned to the meeting.

Council took a short recess for refreshments, after which they reconvened with the same members present.

Public Works Superintendent Holly and Fire Chief Gareau left the meeting before reconvening after the short recess for refreshments.

Correspondence:

RLPOA – Re: Letter of Thanks – filed

Shaw Woods Outdoor Education Centre – Re: Thank You – filed

Doug Lowry P. Eng. – Re: Round Lake - Timing of Autumn Lowering – filed

Emily McIntosh – Re: Next Steps in Basic Human Rights Legislation – filed

City of Greater Sudbury – Re: Amendment to the Occupational Health and Safety Act to Clarify the Definition of "Employer" – filed

By-Laws:

Moved by Maureen MacMillan
Seconded by Brian Pecoskie

THAT By-Law #45 – 2023 being a by-law to authorize the execution of a Grant Contract between the Ontario Trillium Foundation and The Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards be given its 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 19th day of December, 2023. Carried.

Moved by Bil Smith
Seconded by Harold Lavigne

THAT By-Law #46 – 2023 being a by-law to enter into a contract for the provision of the services of Fire Chief be given its 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 19th day of December, 2023. Carried.

Unfinished Business:

Councillor Pecoskie advised that he received an email from Steven Lucas regarding cell towers. Mr. Lucas inquired if the Mayor could bring this matter forward at the County level to inquire the County's position on this matter and if more information could be provided. Mayor Mayville advised that he brought this forward at a previous County meeting and the answer he received was "no comment" and information pertaining to cell towers is confidential until there is a signed contract. Mayor Mayville indicated that there are currently two locations where towers are to be erected, one along Simpson Pit Road and the other on Gunns Road. Mayor Mayville advised that the County is dealing strictly with EORN and it is very difficult to get information. Councillor Pecoskie inquired what the County's responsibilities are and what say do they have on matters pertaining to cell towers. Mayor Mayville indicated that he believes that the County and Township do not have any say in the matter as it is between the provider and the landowner.

Councillor Browne asked and received permission to attend the Eastern Fire Conference in Huntsville on behalf of the Township.

Committee of the Whole:

Moved by Brian Pecoskie
Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

Motion to move into committee of the whole.

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;
- X 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;
- 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;
- 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); or
- 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 Carl Kuehl

Seconded by Harold Lavigne

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

Mayor Mayville indicated that staff have directed appropriately to reflect the matters discussed in Committee of the Whole.

By - Law #47 - 2023 – Confirming By-Law:

Moved by Bil Smith

Seconded by Harold Lavigne

THAT By-Law #47 – 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 December 19, 2023 be given its 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 19th day of December, 2023. Carried.

Adjournment

Moved by Bil Smith

Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

Motion to adjourn the Regular Council meeting of December 19, 2023 for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards. Carried.

Mayor – Dave Mayville

CAO/Clerk-Treasurer – Tammy Gorgerat