

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 and Carl Kuehl in attendance. Also in attendance was Public Works Superintendent Dean Holly, and Community Development Coordinator Chris Neff.

Mayor Mayville called the meeting to order.

Mayors Address:

Good evening everyone;

On behalf of myself, Council and staff, we wish everyone in our community a Happy New Year.

Each New Year is a time of possibility, a time for us all to create new opportunities, overcome challenges, and exceed excellence. Through collaboration, Council will hit the ground running tackling a number of leading issues for residents. It's been one month since we first started working together and I'm excited about what the next 4 years can bring to this township. It's time for updating and reviewing our existing procedures. It's time to begin the budget process, looking to improve efficiency and spend wisely. Specifically, I've driven around the township, checking out the condition of our roads and I can see the need for improvement in many places. It's time to make a plan and then work the plan. I will push each committee to keep revitalization throughout the township front and centre as this budget is formed. We are proud to live in Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards and our roads and assets should reflect that pride. Let's make sure this budget goes above and beyond to make our community stand out from the rest.

In the spirit of new ideas, I had the pleasure of meeting with the KHR Youth Advisory Committee for the first time last week at the Killaloe IDA drug store. This volunteer group of young individuals who care about and love this township. The committee's goal is to support and recognize their fellow youth and ensure that young voices are heard throughout the township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards. It's not too late to get involved. Young people between the ages of 14 to 25 are welcome to join in the conversation. Contact me through email at: mayor@khrtownship.ca

The committee's main objectives: To act as an advisory body to the Mayor and Council on matters which have an impact on youth in KHR. To identify and bring forward issues which will have an impact on KHR youth. To foster a positive image of youth in our community by promoting community events and activities in KHR. To promote positive meaningful activities for youth in partnership with the community. To act as an advocate for youth issues. To encourage youth to become more familiar with the work of local government through education, involvement and participation.

I was so proud of these six individuals who have stepped forward so far. The group represents a good cross section of KHR youth. Everyone joined in by speaking out – almost like they were just waiting to be asked what they thought.

Erin Browne – first year teacher's college

Josh Felhaber – finished high school and is now working

Emma Mask – second year university of Ottawa

Ethan Mask – grade 11 – MVDHS

Ruby Kubisewsky – Grade 9 - MVDHS

Clara Sernoskie – 2nd year ECE Algonquin College Ottawa

Here's a few items they brought forward during our hour long meeting;

- Council meetings – sound quality on YouTube is poor;
- Summer jobs – variety of opportunities, better paying jobs for the older students;
- Better communication about job opportunities – we have to go to them not wait for them to come to us;
- Better social opportunities – they want to develop a sense of pride and bragging rights – to be ambassadors for the township.

We have been presented with this information at this stage and although our actions will not be immediate, we must be mindful of this info as we move forward.

As the elected, we are accountable and should show progress. This township must improve our communication with the public especially through social media. There are various forms of social media used by various age groups. For example, as I found out at the Youth Advisory Committee meeting, the young people are not on Facebook. It's important for us to use platforms the public are using and share important township news regularly. We need to spend some time looking at how we are currently communicating with the public and this conversation will take place during our budget discussions.

Finally, I encourage everyone to get out in the community, explore the outdoors, introduce yourself to your neighbours, join a team, attend a community event, and volunteer. There are so many hidden gems to discover in Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards for both new and long-time residents. I hope 2023 brings you, and your family and friends, good health and new adventures.

Pecuniary/Financial Interest:

No pecuniary/financial interest was declared.

Minutes:

Moved by Carl Kuehl
Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 20, 2022 open & closed sessions. Carried.

Reports:

Public Works Superintendent: Public Works Superintendent Dean Holly was present and invited to give his report. Public Works Superintendent Holly reported that his department was busy over the holidays with snow removal and on boxing day there was a beaver dam break on Lenny Road which took approximately four loads of fill to repair and in the evening the water had made its way to Hidden Trail Road where signs were put in place notifying of water on the roadway. Public Works Superintendent Holly advised that the compactor at the landfill needed repair and should be back up and running by this Thursday. Public Works Superintendent Holly also reported that grading of roads was taking place on some of the roadways today, as well as back-blading, cold patching continues to take place when necessary and regular maintenance on equipment continues as well.

Council thanked Public Works Superintendent Holly for his report.

Community Development Coordinator: Community Development Coordinator Chris Neff was present and invited to give his report. Community Development Coordinator Neff presented to Council a brief report on summer student positions respective to the Canada Summer Jobs and the Summer Experience Program grant funding, indicating that he will provide a more in-depth report on January 10, 2023 at the Human Resources Committee meeting. Community Development Coordinator Neff reported that the ice is unable to be sustained at the outdoor rinks due to the current weather conditions but hopes that the weather will cooperate in January. Community Development Coordinator Neff advised that both the Killaloe Public School and St. Andrews have sent in requests for 2023 ice scheduling and that this has been placed on hold. And lastly, Community Development Coordinator Neff advised that he is going to be doing a feature in the up-coming newsletter on the new Council. He asked Council if they could provide him with a 250–300-word document introducing themselves to our community members by January 13, 2023.

Mayor Mayville inquired about Pathways Park and asked that Community Development Coordinator Neff provide a break-down for Council on funding received and monies spent to date. Community Development Coordinator Neff had no objections to this request.

Councillor Browne inquired as to when the "Legacy Bench Program" is expected to start. Community Development Coordinator Neff indicated that he hopes to launch it in mid-late January.

Council thanked Community Development Coordinator Neff for his report.

CAO/Clerk – Treasurer: CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Tammy Gorgerat was present and invited to give her report. CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat provided a report to Council on the on the Flood Hazard Identification and Mapping Program through the County of Renfrew. The

County of Renfrew is asking for a letter of support committing to financial support. Council denied this request.

Mayor Mayville provided Council members information from the County of Renfrew relating to County of Renfrew Facilities, weighted voting and a video link of all the services the County offers. This information was for informational purposes

Mayor Mayville indicated that if there are any comments regarding the email received from Ed Chippior and Family in regard to the Killaloe and District Public Library hours of operation over the holidays; that they be brought to the next Economic Development Committee meeting for discussion.

Correspondence:

Ottawa Valley Business – Re: Newsletter December 21, 2022 Edition – filed

Councillor MacMillan suggested that the Township obtain naloxone kits and place them in township vehicles, have 1 or 2 available at the municipal office, have some available for community development activities and at the Visitor Information Centre. Council had no objections to this request and asked that Community Development Coordinator Neff contact the Renfrew County District Health Unit to obtain naloxone kits. Community Development Coordinator Neff had no objections to this request.

MPP John Yakabuski – Re: Letter Informing of 2023 OCIF Funding – filed

By-Laws:

Moved by Bil Smith

Seconded by Carl Kuehl

THAT By-Law 01-2023 being a by-law authorizing the borrowing of money to meet current expenditures of the Council of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards be given its 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 03rd day of January, 2023. Carried

Moved by Harold Lavigne

Seconded by Carl Kuehl

THAT By-Law 02-2023 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 one-quarter percent for the year 2023 be given its 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 03rd day of January, 2023. Carried

Moved by Maureen MacMillan

Seconded by Bil Smith

THAT By-Law 03-2023 being a by-law to extend the contract for the provision of the services of Fire Chief be given its 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 03rd day of January, 2023. Carried

Unfinished Business:

Mayor Mayville indicated that a revised letter has been provided to Council in relation to the Round Lake fish stocking program. The contents of the letter did not change, just the signatures.

Mayor Mayville inquired if there is a process in writing indicating what will happen with demo of the buildings on Queen Street. CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat indicated that the process has been noted in the RFP and an acceptance letter has been sent to the company and are waiting on its return.

Mayor Mayville also reported that from the Youth Advisory Committee it was brought forth that the sound quality of meetings live streamed and recorded on YouTube is poor and that purchasing a microphone system would assist in improving the poor sound quality. Councillor Browne indicated that knowing the stats on as to how many views the videos are getting before making such a purchase. Council asked that Community Development Coordinator Neff prepare a report on such stats and provide to council prior to any decisions being made. Community Development Coordinator Neff had no objections to this request. Mayor Mayville asked that Council put some thought into this important matter.

New Business:

Mayor Mayville reported the budget process will soon begin for all department heads and indicated that this year when presenting their budgets, he would like to see 2021 actual, the 2022 budget and actual, the 2022 variance and the 2023 budget. Mayor Mayville asked that CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat prepare a letter for all department heads indicating as such.

Council discussed and decided on the following dates for committee meetings;

January 9, 2023 – 7:00 pm – Public Works, Public Service and Property

January 10, 2023 – 6:30 pm – Human Resources

January 12, 2023 – 6:30 pm – Economic Development

January 16, 2023 – 7:00 pm – Policies and Procedures

January 30, 2023 – 7:00 pm – Protection and Emergency Management

January 31, 2023 – 7:00 pm - Finance

Committee of the Whole:

Moved by: Carl Kuehl

Seconded by: Maureen MacMillan

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;
- A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board;
- X 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 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 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 Maureen MacMillan

Seconded by Harold Lavigne

Motion to come out of committee of the whole. Carried

By - Law #04 - 2023 – Confirming By-Law:

Moved by Harold Lavigne
Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

THAT By-Law 04 – 2022 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards at its Regular Meeting held on January 3, 2023 be given its 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 03rd day of January, 2023. Carried.

Adjournment

Moved by Maureen MacMillan
Seconded by Harold Lavigne

Motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting held on January 3, 2023 for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards. Carried.

Mayor – Dave Mayville

CAO/Clerk-Treasurer – Tammy Gorgerat