

**November 21, 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 reported that he attended a County of Renfrew asset management plan meeting/workshop, a Renfrew County Housing Corporation Community Service meeting, and that a \$200,000.00 shortfall was identified relating to the City of Pembroke's warming station. Mayor Mayville indicated that \$20,000.00 was replenished by Laurentian Valley, \$80,000.00 from the County of Renfrew and \$100,000.00 from the City of Pembroke. Mayor Mayville also reported that he attended the County of Renfrew Finance and Administration meeting with the highlight of the meeting pertaining to shared services with the focus on the CAO's and Human Resources.

Mayor Mayville read the following address:

I would like to touch base regarding the reaction to the comments I made last regular meeting regarding Foy Park and the water levels of Round Lake. I was looking for suggestions from council to form a delegation to present at the ROMA conference in January. A resolution was needed to form a delegation and unfortunately only 3 councillors were present at the November 7th regular meeting and the deadline for submissions was yesterday November 20th. In the future, when we go as a delegation, we will be prepared with a well thought out presentation utilizing all our resources on whatever topics council deems relevant.

Let me first remind you that I live on the Bonnechere River and in 2017 and 2019 I saw firsthand the terrible damage and great expense incurred by my neighbours because of the flooding. I don't want that to happen again to anyone and I'm sure council would agree. It's clear that the Bonnechere Water Shed Management Plan Amendment has made a huge difference in the spring freshet, and we are all grateful to the many individuals and groups that made the amendment a reality. It's been three years since the draw down began in September each year. Some years earlier than expected. We can all agree that it has been successful and that there have been many good things that came from its success. There's no major flooding. It's easier to manage the water that does come and I understand that if the plan had not been in place this year we would have been in trouble. The ice push is easier to manage. There's less water damage and less expense. But recognizing the good means we must also acknowledge that there are some new things to identify.

There is nothing so drastic that it requires a change to the amendment, but the early draw down means boats are out of the water earlier so lake recreation is shorter. There are dry hydrants that could or could not be related to the lower water. There are dry wells which also could or could not be related.

As the Mayor I receive phone calls from residents with questions about the water levels and the consequences those residents are facing. I am obligated to address their questions and if I don't know the answer then I ask questions till I have an answer. Just like the speed on highway 58 and other concerns presented to me by residents, I will push every button possible with the county and others to get answers.

There is no need for anyone to feel threatened by my words. Because of the efforts of all parties involved in the amendment, the positive results of the amendment and the high cost of the amendment to this township, the amendment stands as it is and that was the intent all along. However, I will be asking RPG during budget time every year about their timing of the drawdown to ensure they follow what is recorded. And in the meantime, I will continue doing my job with respect to questions and concerns from all residents.

**Pecuniary/Financial Interest:**

Councillors Browne and Smith to declare at the appropriate time.

Councillor Kuehl inquired with Mayor Mayville as to why he brought forward addressing the water levels with the Minister at the ROMA conference when three Councillors were not present for the November 7th Regular meeting. Mayor Mayville advised that it was only a suggestion and no decisions were made.

Councillor Pecoskie inquired with Mayor Mayville if the asset management plan meeting/workshop he attended was for all County Councillors. Mayor Mayville advised that it was.

### **Delegation:**

Mike Kendall was in attendance in the absence of Round Lake Property Owners' Association (RLPOA) President Rob Norris and invited to address Council. Mr. Kendall advised that he had provided a letter to be included in correspondence that discusses his own concerns with the comments which Mayor Mayville made at the November 7th Regular Council meeting. Mr. Kendall informed of his experience with flooding before and after the amendment to the Bonnechere River Water Management Plan (BRWMP) was implemented and indicated his concerns with the idea of addressing the Minister at the ROMA conference. Mr. Kendall stated that as an Association; RLPOA does not want to see something that is working well (the amendment) be changed.

Council discussed this matter and decided that any complaints received need to be in "letter form" and include a signature, a resolution will be prepared for the next Regular Council meeting indicating that Council supports the BRWMP amendment and that an apology letter be sent to all stakeholders, be placed in the newsletter and posted on the social media platforms.

Mr. Kendall indicated that he did agree with addressing the Minister as a delegation as it relates to Foy Park and thanked Council for their time and attention relating to the BRWMP.

Mayor Mayville apologized to Council and to the residents of his comments.

Council thanked Mr. Kendall for his attendance at which time he left the meeting.

### **Minutes:**

Moved by Maureen MacMillan  
Seconded by Bil Smith

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of November 7, 2023 open & closed sessions. Carried.

### **Reports:**

#### **Fire Chief:**

Fire Chief Bob Gareau was present and invited to give his report. Fire Chief Gareau reported that as it relates to fire, operations included a burning complaint on King Street on October 19th and 20th, a tree on the line on Mask Road on October 24<sup>th</sup>, a side by side vehicle fire on Division Road on October 29th and a chimney fire on Hillcrest Ave. on November 8th. Ongoing activities include weekly truck checks and monthly equipment checks. As it relates to recent events, Fire Chief Gareau reported that there was a Provincial Advisory Committee (PAC) 6 in Carleton Place and flag poles were re-located from Bonnechere Provincial Park to the Round Lake fire hall on October 25th, dredging of the Round Lake fire hall pond took place on October 31st and November 1st and he was in attendance at the Remembrance Day Ceremony on November 10th. Upcoming events include SCBA annual maintenance and certification and an Officers' meeting on November 27th, a bi-monthly meeting on November 28th, the Renfrew County Quarterly Fire Chiefs' meeting in Pembroke on December 6th and the Santa Claus Parade on December 9th. And lastly, Fire Chief Gareau advised that scheduled training dates include November 21st, December 5th and December 12<sup>th</sup>, however November 21<sup>st</sup> scheduled training date was cancelled due to the weather.

Councillor Browne asked that Fire Chief Gareau advise the firefighters that there will be two spots available to attend the 2024 conference and trade show. Fire Chief Gareau had no objection.

Council thanked Fire Chief Gareau for his report at which time he left the meeting.

**Public Works Superintendent:**

Public Works Superintendent Dean Holly was present and invited to give his report. Public Works Superintendent Holly reported that regular road and equipment maintenance continues, brushing of the sides of the roadways continues as well, a majority of the gravel roads within the Township were graded before the freeze and the sidewalk plow is in Ottawa for repairs. Public Works Superintendent Holly advised that the repairs to the sidewalk plow will cost approximately \$9,000.00 and he indicated that he looked into the cost of renting a machine instead and it came back with an approximate cost of \$10,000.00 a month. Public Works Superintendent Holly reported that respective Council and Staff are registered for the Good Roads conference and thanked Planning and Building Assistant Kim Schroeder for registering them and he indicated that the hotel bookings will open towards the end of January 2024. Public Works Superintendent Holly advised that on November 30th, if weather permits, a snow plow truck will be taken to the Kidz Kastle daycare centre in Killaloe for the children investigate. As it relates to waste management, Public Works Superintendent Holly reported that the loader has been repaired, the C & D grinding project should be completed this week, and the garbage compactor is not receiving power. Public Works Superintendent Holly advised that an electrician will be onsite to look at the issue. Public Works Superintendent advised that Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre (OVWRC) has been sold to Emterra and inquired if Council would like for himself and Councillor Lavigne to meet with General Manager Sue McCrae to discuss what this means for the Township. Council had no objection.

Councillor Lavigne thanked Public Works Superintendent and his department for supplying and delivering gravel to complete the decking project at the Round Lake rink.

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 advised Council that a donation in the amount of \$100.00 was made to Green Burial Ottawa Valley in memory of Bernadine Rosyln and sympathy card was sent to her family from Council and Staff. As well, a donation was also sent to St. Francis Valley Healthcare Foundation in the amount of \$100.00 in memory of former Councillor Stanley Pecoskie and a sympathy card was sent to his family from Council and Staff. CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat indicated that she received a Special Event Permit from the Killaloe and Area Lions Club for their annual Santa Claus Parade and specified that normally a Special Event Permit has a fee of \$100.00, however if Council is willing to waive this fee, a resolution is prepared.

I Bil Smith declare a conflict of interest with respect to waiving fee for the Lions for the Santa parade.

Councillor Smith left the meeting.

Moved by Harold Lavigne  
Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

Motion that Council for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards agrees to waive the Special Event Permit fee of \$100.00 for the Killaloe and Area Lions Club for their annual Santa Claus Parade scheduled to take place on December 9, 2023. Carried

Councillor Smith returned to the meeting.

CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat advised that in the past, Council has allowed for the Municipal Office to be closed over the Christmas holidays and any personnel having to work the days the Municipal Office is closed (waste management and public works) receive pay at time and a half. CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat indicated that normally Council has

approved the closure of the full week falling between Christmas and New Years with the addition of staff off on December 24th for half a day and December 31st for half a day, and advised that this year these both dates fall on a Sunday. CAO/Clerk – Treasurer inquired if Council would allow for the Municipal Office to be closed on Friday December 22, 2023 and re-open on January 3, 2024. Council had no objection to this request. CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat reported that she has coordinated with IT as to the installation of the new server and advised that the Municipal Office will be closed on Thursday November 30, 2023 and indicated that a notice will be posted on the website, social media platforms, the two local newspapers and on site at the Municipal Office. CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat provided Council with an update on the Killaloe OPP Detachment Board indicating that she received an email inquiring about the composition of the board and who would be responsible for the appointment of the two community representatives. CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat advised that it was agreed that each respective Council will be responsible for the appointment of 1 member of their Councils to sit on the board and all stakeholders will be responsible for the appointment of the 2 community representatives. CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat reported that the interviews took place for the Rink Manager and Supervisor positions and indicated that reference checks are being performed and once complete a recommendation to hire will be brought to Council on December 5th. And lastly, CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat advised that it was brought to her attention that the Community Development Coordinator was asked to bring forward a “Flag Policy”. CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat clarified that this is not part of the Community Development Coordinator’s role, and the implementation of such policy is a full Council decision. She inquired if Council would like her to move forward with implementing such a policy. Council discussed and decided not to move forward with a flag policy at this time.

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

### **Examining Accounts:**

I Ted Browne declare pecuniary/financial interest with Road & General Voucher #10-2023.

Councillor Browne left the meeting.

Moved by Brian Pecoskie  
Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

Motion to approve Road & General Voucher #10 – 2023 in the amount of \$313,658.24.  
Carried.

Councillor Browne returned to the meeting.

### **Correspondence:**

**Township of McKellar** – Re: Resolution 23-671 Call for an Amendment to the Legislation Act –

Moved by Carl Kuehl  
Seconded by Ted Browne

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards supports the motion brought forward by the Township of McKellar in the call for an amendment to the *Legislation Act, 2006* to include digital publications as an acceptable means of publication and notice requirements for Provincial Acts and Regulations; and

FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to; Attorney General Hon. Doug Downey, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Paul Calandra; MPP John Yakubski, MP Cheryl Gallant, the Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario Municipalities.  
Carried

**Town of Parry Sound** – Re: Resolution in Support of the Cit of Cambridge’s Request to Amend S.205.1 of the Highway Traffic Act –

Moved by Carl Kuehl

Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards supports the motion brought forward by the Town of Parry Sound in support of the City of Cambridge's resolution calling upon the Ontario Government to amend s.205.1 of the Highway Traffic Act to permit municipalities to locate an Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) system permanently or temporarily on any roadway under the jurisdiction of municipalities and as determined by municipalities.

FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Ontario Minister of Transportation Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Paul Calandra; MPP John Yakabuski, MP Cheryl Gallant, the Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario Municipalities. Carried.

**Municipality of West Grey** – Re: 2023-10-17 Resolution Letter/Childcare Availability in Ontario –

Moved by Bil Smith  
Seconded by Brian Pecoskie

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards supports the correspondence received from the Corporation of the Municipality of West Grey pertaining to correspondence received from the Municipality of Bluewater respecting childcare availability.

FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to; the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services, the Premier of Ontario and all Ontario Municipalities. Carried.

**Fire Underwriters Survey** – Re: Petition in Support of Bill C-310 –

Moved by Brian Pecoskie  
Seconded by Harold Lavigne

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards supports the petition in support of Bill C-310; An Act to Amend the Income Tax Act (Volunteer Firefighting and Search and Rescue Volunteer Tax Credit). Carried.

**Municipality of North Perth** – Re: Social and Economic Prosperity Review Resolution –

Moved by Maureen MacMillan  
Seconded by Bil Smith

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards supports the Municipality of North Perth regarding Policy Update – Social and Economic Prosperity Review from the Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO).

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards also endorses the briefing from AMO calling for discussion on Social and Economic Prosperity and the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards is willing to participate.

FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario Honourable Doug Ford, MPP John Yakabuski, MP Cheryl Gallant, the Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario Municipalities. Carried.

**Town of Arnprior** – Re: Resolution for Support – Arnprior Fire Department Support for MHSRC Hoarding Program –

Moved by Bil Smith  
Seconded by Harold Lavigne

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards supports the resolution received from the Town of Arnprior and their support

for the Mental Health Services of Renfrew County (MHSRC) Hoarding Program and its benefits to all residents within the County of Renfrew.

WHEREAS Council for the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards encourages the Pembroke Regional Hospital to continue to fund well into the future this valuable program.

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Pembroke Regional Hospital, all local municipalities and the County of Renfrew in support of the MHSRC Hoarding Program. Carried.

**Round Lake Property Owners' Association** – Re: Correspondence on Amendment to BRWMP – filed

**Kate Murton** – Re: Contemplated Amendment to the BRWMP – filed

**Steve Lucas** – Re: Water Levels on Round Lake – filed

**Municipality of Wawa** – Re: Support for Water Treatment Training – filed

**Andy Buffam** – Re: Round Lake Water Levels – filed

**Wendy Engel** – Re: Fall Water Levels Round Lake Water Management – filed

**Don Pouliot** – Re: Low Round Lake Water Level Complaints – filed

**Mayor Jennifer Murphy** – Re: Bonnechere River Watershed Management Plan – filed

**Douglas Junop** – Re: Water Level on Round Lake – filed

**John Dixon** – Re: Water Levels on Round Lake in the Fall – filed

**Ron Hamilton** – Re: Water Level Maintenance – filed

**Donald Stringer** – Re: Water Level Maintenance – filed

**Mike Kendall** – Re: Bonnechere River Water Management Plan – filed

Mayor Mayville advised that he received a letter pertaining to the water levels from David and Patty Fair.

**Town of Aylmer** – Re: Resolution Requesting Provincial Consideration for Amendments to the Residential Tenancies Act – filed

**Town of Orangeville** – Re: Resolution – Ontario Works Financial Assistance Rates – filed

**Ontario News Release** – Re: Information – Ontario Making Progress to Widen Highway 17 from Arnprior to Renfrew – filed

### **New Business:**

Councillor MacMillan questioned if the Township should advertise now for swim instructors for the summer of 2024 and inquired if CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat could discuss with Community Development Coordinator Chris Neff. Council had no objection.

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

Moved by Brian Pecoskie

Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

Motion to move into committee of the whole. Carried.

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;
- X 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 Bil Smith  
Seconded by Brian Pecoskie

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

Mayor Mayville advised that staff have been directed as appropriate to the discussions in Committee of the Whole.

**By - Law #43 - 2023 – Confirming By-Law:**

Moved by Brian Pecoskie  
Seconded by Harold Lavigne

THAT By-Law #43 – 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 November 21, 2023 be given its 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 21st day of November, 2023. Carried.

**Adjournment**

Moved by Bil Smith  
Seconded by Brian Pecoskie

Motion to adjourn the Regular Council meeting of November 21, 2023 for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards. Carried.

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Mayor – Dave Mayville

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CAO/Clerk-Treasurer – Tammy Gorgerat