

July 16, 2024

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.

Call to Order:

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

First Nations Land Acknowledgement:

First Nations Land Acknowledgement read by Mayor Mayville:

As we gather today, I would like to acknowledge on behalf of Council and our community that we are meeting on the traditional territory of the Algonquin People. We would like to thank the Algonquin people and express our respect and support for their rich history, and we are extremely grateful for their many and continued displays of friendship. We also thank all the generations of people who have taken care of this land for thousands of years.

Moment of Silent Reflection:

Mayor Mayville requested a moment of silent reflection.

Mayor's Address:

Mayor Mayville addressed the public with the following:

"It was a very productive Finance meeting last night, discussions and decisions were made to aid our Township's future. The decision was made to re-enforce our policies regarding tax arrears and water/sewage arrears. We will now be following the procedures to a "T". The discussion of Council composition and the ward system was enlightening, and Council appears to be wanting a change on both fronts. There will be more information coming on these two matters in the very near future. Last night was a start and it is not going to take away the pain and anger of the 17% tax increase. There was good discussion in regards to provincial and federal monies not coming forward to equal our increasing expenditures. Council chose not to withdraw more from reserves, we all felt we needed to increase our reserves, we have budgeted far too much expense. I really believe we need to continue to work with our staff over the rest of the year to make this process better in 2025. And also, there is no report as far as County Council cause the County Council shuts down for the month of July, so there is no meetings for us and this past Sunday I attended the community paddle which was an outstanding first time event and hats off to everybody who was organizing it and it was really a good day."

Pecuniary/Financial Interest:

No Pecuniary/Financial Interest was declared.

Delegations:

Mr. Paul Cumper was in attendance and invited to address Council. Mr. Cumper first thanked Council for the opportunity to express his opinions. Mr. Cumper voiced his concerns with economic development, the 17% tax increase, and outstanding arrears pertaining to taxes and water and sewage. Mr. Cumper also provided Council with suggestions/comments that, in his opinion, could assist in alleviating the burden of tax increases in the future.

Councillor MacMillan replied to Mr. Cumper's address noting that the tax increase was a difficult decision to make.

Mayor Mayville advised that the County of Renfrew owns the Tramore bridge, and the Queen Street bridge and that the Township does not provide funding for the rehabilitation of either bridge.

Council thanked Mr. Cumper for his address.

Round Lake Property Owners Association (RLPOA) President Rob Norris was present and invited to address Council. Mr. Norris advised of his concerns with the dock and ramp at the Round Lake boat launch noting that he would like to arrange for an onsite meeting with Public Works Superintendent Dean Holly, Councillor Lavigne, Mr. Steve Grieveson and Mr. Scott Gardner to discuss current matters and the future. Mr. Norris also made mention of the economic benefits the boat launch brings to Round Lake and area. Mr. Norris advised of his frustration with the lack of information and notice provided to the public from the Township pertaining to the closure/rehabilitation of Tramore bridge. Mr. Norris also asked that the Mayor provide information to the public with regard to what occurs at County Council meetings. Mr. Norris indicated that he is hopeful that moving forward the RLPOA will continue to work with Council on matters around Round Lake as these matters benefit more than the properties around the lake.

Council discussed and agreed to the onsite meeting to discuss the Round Lake boat launch. Councillor Lavigne will arrange with Public Works Superintendent Holly.

Council thanked Mr. Norris for his address at which time he left the meeting.

Minutes:

Moved by Brian Pecoskie
Seconded by Harold Lavigne

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of July 2, 2024 open & closed sessions. Carried.

Moved by Harold Lavigne
Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

Motion to approve the minutes of the Committee of Adjustment meeting of July 2, 2024 open session. Carried.

Reports:

Fire Chief Gareau:

Fire Chief Bob Gareau was present and invited to give his report. As it relates to fire, Fire Chief Gareau reported that operations included; hydro Lines down on Round Lake Road, and a generator and hydro pole on fire on Recoskie Road. Ongoing activities include weekly truck checks and monthly equipment checks. Recent events included a chip truck inspection, requested fire inspection on Breaker Bay Lane, two flag pole installations at the Round Lake Fire Hall, Canada Day activities, inspection of Pine River Campgrounds, a bi-monthly meeting and a OFM Town Hall meeting. Fire Chief Gareau reported that upcoming events include; Wildland Fire Proposals with MNR and Emergency Management Ontario, a Renfrew County Fire Chiefs' Association meeting in Pembroke and two bi-monthly meetings. Fire Chief Gareau also reported on recent and upcoming training. Fire Chief Gareau asked and received permission to move forward with ordering Fire Safety Resources from Community Safety Net. And lastly, Fire Chief Gareau advised that he will be involved in the municipal engagement session on modernizing wildland fire management in Ontario scheduled to take place on August 9th.

Councillor Lavigne asked that Fire Chief Gareau relay his thanks to the volunteers who are going to be assisting at Party in the Park and noted that half the proceeds raised will be donated to the KHR fire association from KHR Volunteer Recreation.

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

Community Development Coordinator

Community Development Coordinator Colton Charbonneau was present and invited to give his report. Community Development Charbonneau reported on Canada Day, the Irish Gathering, the newsletter, Songs in the Park, the structural assessment of KPP barn and MTO requirements as it pertains to KPP and the barn, the new reading stations for KPP and

his idea of a Beavertail heritage sign, the OVTA photoshoot promotion and the trail maintenance at KPP.

Council discussed and approved the request of the OVTA photoshoot promotion:

Moved by Carl Kuehl
Seconded by Ted Browne

THAT Council for the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards hereby agrees to participate in the photoshoot delivered by the Ottawa Valley Tourist Association (OVTA) which will promote the beauty and unique charm of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards.

WHEREAS Council for the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards hereby approves the purchase of 150 professionally edited images for \$250.00 that can be used for promotional purposes and which will also be featured in OVTA's marketing campaigns, including their website, social media, and printed materials, providing widespread exposure for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards. Carried.

Council provided Community Development Charbonneau their recommendations and opinions relating to the Canada Day event.

Council discussed the trail maintenance at KPP with Councillor Browne and Kuehl indicating that they would volunteer their time to assist in the maintenance.

Community Development Coordinator Charbonneau advised that he had a matter to discuss in closed.

Council thanked Community Development Coordinator Charbonneau for his report.

Examining Accounts:

Council reviewed Road & General Voucher #06 – 2024.

Correspondence:

AMO – Re: AMO Advocacy on Homelessness Encampments – filed

Tay Valley Township – Re: Request for Support of National Basic Income – filed

AMO – Re: Policy Update AMO/OMA Resolution Campaign, SALC Regulations & Advocacy Updates –

Moved by Carl Kuehl
Seconded by Harold Lavigne

WHEREAS the state of health care in Ontario is in crisis, with 2.3 million Ontarians lacking access to a family doctor, emergency room closures across the province, patients being de-rostered and 40% of family doctors considering retirement over the next five years; and

WHEREAS Ontario municipal governments play an integral role in the health care system through responsibilities in public health, long-term care, paramedicine, and other investments; and

WHEREAS the percentage of family physicians practicing comprehensive family medicine has declined from 77 in 2008 to 65 percent in 2022; and

WHEREAS per capita health-care spending in Ontario is the lowest of all provinces in Canada, and

WHEREAS a robust workforce developed through a provincial, sector-wide health human resources strategy would significantly improve access to health services across the province;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards urges the Province of Ontario to recognize the physician shortage in the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards and Ontario, to fund health care appropriately and ensure every Ontarian has access to physician care. Carried.

RLPOA – Re: Timelines and Next Steps for Repairs on the Round Lake Centre Public Dock and Boat Launch – filed

By-Laws

Moved by Brian Pecoskie
Seconded by Ted Browne

THAT By-Law No. 24 – 2024 being a By-Law to Appoint Municipal Officers and Set Salaries and Benefits for Township Employees of the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards be given its 1st , 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 16th day of July 2024. Carried.

Moved by Harold Lavigne
Seconded by Carl Kuehl

THAT By-Law No. 25 – 2024 being a By-Law to authorize the Sale/Disposal of Surplus Real Property no longer required for municipal purposes for the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards be given its 1st , 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 16th day of July 2024. Carried.

Moved by Carl Kuehl
Seconded by Ted Browne

THAT By-Law No. 26 – 2024 being a By-Law to authorize the execution of a Grant Contract between His Majesty the King in Right of Ontario and the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards be given its 1st , 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 16th day of July 2024. Carried.

New Business:

Mayor Mayville indicated that he received an email from Lynn Flokstra with regard to Songs in the Park in Killaloe. Mayor Mayville advised that the decision to move Songs in the Park to three different location was approved first through the Economic Development Committee level and then approved at the Council level. Mayor Mayville also noted that the move has been successful and brings the community together.

Councillor MacMillan advised of the events that happen in Killaloe, Round Lake and Wilno and noted that the idea was to offer this event in other areas for Township residents as Killaloe receives much more as it pertains to events than the other wards. Councillor MacMillan advised that she does recognize that the rehabilitation of the Queen Street bridge poses difficulties with attracting customers to businesses in Killaloe and noted that she is not sure how the Township can assist in this matter but invited business owners to reach out with ideas.

Councillor MacMillan asked and received permission to have Facilities/Asset Manager Dale Thompson pursue quotes for paving and rink board replacement of the Round Lake rink so that the Township can be prepared in the event grant funding becomes available. Councillor Lavigne will discuss with Facilitates/Asset Manager Thompson.

Committee of the Whole:

Moved by Brian Pecoskie
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 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
- X 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 Harold Lavigne
Seconded by Bil Smith

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

Moved by Ted Browne
Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

THAT Council for the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards hereby approves the hiring of Mr. Owen Ellis as the Tourism Services Coordinator effective July 19, 2024 and upon receipt of accepted Vulnerable Sector Check. Carried.

Mayor Mayville advised that staff have been directed accordingly to reflect the matters discussed in committee of the whole.

Confirming By-Law:

Moved by Bil Smith
Seconded by Brian Pecoskie

THAT By-Law No. 27 – 2024 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards at its Regular Meeting held on July 16, 2024 be given its 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 16th day of July, 2024. Carried.

Adjournment

Moved by Bil Smith
Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

Motion to adjourn the Regular Council meeting of July 16, 2024 for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards. Carried.

Mayor – Dave Mayville

CAO/Clerk-Treasurer – Tammy Gorgerat