December 23, 2014 **Special Meeting** **6:30 PM**

The Council for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards met on the above date with Councillors Ted Browne, John Jeffrey, Brian Pecoskie, Stanley Pecoskie, Carl Kuehl and Debbie Peplinskie present. Mayor Janice Visneskie Moore chaired the meeting, which she opened and called to order. Deputy CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Sue Sheridan and Community Development Coordinator Maria Mayville were also present.

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

Purpose of Meeting:
Mayor Visneskie Moore advised that the purpose of the meeting is to discuss issues relating to lighting at the Round Lake Rink, as well as correspondence that has been received from the Killaloe Lions SnoFun Winter Festival Event Committee with regard to the annual Snow Fun event.

Councillor Brian Pecoskie advised that he and Councillor Stanley Pecoskie have met with Gerald Cybulski and Ron Peplinskie due to complaints from these two individuals that the lights at the Round Lake Rink are shining on their property. The lights have been adjusted several times at the rink, however, neither Mr. Cybulski nor Mr. Peplinskie are satisfied with the result. The lights are at the point now where they cannot be adjusted any further. Councillor Brian Pecoskie advised that they are currently shining directly onto the ice surface, however, one of the complainants made the comment that if the township couldn't fix the problem, he would fix it with his rifle. Due to Councillor Pecoskie's concern with regard to this comment, and that the comment had been made again on December 20, 2014 during a conversation with the complainant, Council asked the CAO/Clerk-Treasurer to contact the OPP to make them aware of this situation.

Council reviewed correspondence to KHR Recreation that had been received from the Killaloe Lions SnoFun Winter Festival Event Committee with regard to their plans for a 2015 Killaloe Lions SnoFun Winter Festival. Correspondence to Community Development Coordinator Maria Mayville from Lynn Flokstra of the Killaloe and Area Lions Event Committee was also reviewed by Council. This letter indicated that the Killaloe Lions Club organized the first SnoFun in 1970, and that it is not appropriate for municipal staff to assume the lead and initiate communications with SnoFun community partners on behalf of a Lions Club event, nor is it appropriate for municipal staff to arbitrarily choose festival dates and alter the historical spelling of the festival name without Lions consent or consultation with the Lions. Council reviewed a memo from the Deputy CAO/Clerk-Treasurer indicating that, according to municipal recreation minutes from the former Killaloe Parks and Recreation Committee as far back as 1974, the committee would meet in early January to discuss the Sno-Fun weekend and establish the dates for the event. Committee members were then assigned the task of contacting participants, e.g. Lions, Lionettes, etc. as to their plans for activities for the event. The advertising was done by the Killaloe Recreation Committee, with businesses from the community purchasing advertising space to assist in paying for the ad. In the 1993 minutes of the Killaloe Recreation Committee, the Lions Club asked to work with the Village of Killaloe to organize the Sno-Fun Weekend. The committee agreed and in the minutes, a copy of the letter that was sent to the Lions Club is referenced. This practice continued, with Councillor Isabel O'Reilly being the liaison between the various community groups and Council in organizing the event. Once the municipality hired a Community Development Coordinator, this task became part of their duties, and has remained so up to this point. Concern was expressed by Council members that there could be a loss, especially to the Village of Killaloe, if the events normally associated with the winter week- end are not held.

Council agreed to send a letter to the Killaloe and District Lions Club to advise that the township wishes them a successful event, and to proceed with the activities that they have planned. The Logger's Festival, which was initiated by the municipality and has grown to become a very successful event, will be held on February 7, 2015 as arrangements have already been made for entertainment and sponsorships for that date, and it has been planned as part of the annual Snow Fun event in the municipality. So as not to interfere with future Killaloe and Area Lions Club SnoFun events, the municipality will consider changing the date of the Loggers Festival for future years. Council also agreed that if the club wishes to use municipal facilities for their activities, they will be required to make the appropriate arrangements to ensure that the facilities are available, and will have to provide confirmation that they are insured for these activities on municipal property.

Councillors Browne and Brian Pecoskie suggested that since the letter was sent by the Killaloe Lions SnoFun Winter Festival Event Committee, not the club as a whole, there may be some merit in attending their meeting on January 5, 2015. Mayor Visneskie Moore advised that she had talked to Lions Club President Kathy Lampi and Garnet Kranz previous to receiving this letter, and there had been no indication that the event was to be changed or that the municipality was seen as interfering in the process. Mayville advised that her involvement consisted of contacting community partners to see what events they wanted to participate in, and bringing all of the information together so that it could be included in advertising and public announcements about the event. Councillor Stanley Pecoskie advised that he has been contacted by a major sponsor of the Loggers Festival to confirm a date for the event so that they can arrange to bring their large trailer to the event, and that they wanted confirmation ASAP. Councillor Browne advised that although he has read their letter, he doesn't understand the position of the Killaloe Lions SnoFun Winter Festival Event Committee on this matter, and that he will attend the next Lions Club meeting as a private citizen to receive clarification on this issue.

Mayor Visneskie Moore read a letter from Maja Johnson at 21 King Street in Killaloe, with regard to keeping chickens in her yard. Council asked the CAO/Clerk-Treasurer to respond advising that keeping livestock and poultry within the village is not allowed.

Adjournment:

Moved by Debbie Peplinskie
Seconded by Carl Kuehl

Motion to adjourn Special meeting dated December 23, 2014. Carried.

Janice Visneskie Moore
Mayor

Lorna Hudson
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer