

March 4, 2025

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.

Moment of Silent Reflection:

Mayor Mayville requested a moment of silent reflection.

Mayor's Address:

Mayor Mayville reported that he attended the finance meetings for Killaloe, Hagarty, and Richards on February 19th and 24th, as well as the County Council meeting on February 26th, which included the Development and Property and Operations Committees. Mayor Mayville reported that he attended the King Charles III Coronation Medal presentation on March 3rd, where former Councillor John Jeffrey was honored with a medal. Mayor Mayville advised that he had received an update from the O.P.P., announcing that March is Fraud Prevention Month. Mayor Mayville also extended his gratitude to the Eganville Leader for their contributions to the community upon learning of their upcoming closure next year. And lastly, Mayor Mayville made note on the tariffs that have been imposed.

Pecuniary/Financial Interest:

No pecuniary/financial interest was declared.

Delegations:

Mr. Ish Theilheimer was present and invited to speak before Council. Mr. Theilheimer provided an update on the preparations for the upcoming second annual Tour de BeaverTails, highlighting that the proceeds would be benefiting the Killaloe Food Bank. Mr. Theilheimer asked and received approval from Council for the Township's support in endorsing and publicizing the event, as well as the use of Station Park, the Visitor Information Centre and its washroom facilities and the water tap, waste containers and picnic tables in Station Park. Mr. Theilheimer also asked and received approval for the Township's support in providing hydro access, parking arrangements, and for Councillors to actively participate in the event.

Council thanked Mr. Theilheimer for his presentation at which time he left the meeting.

Acting President of the RLPOA; Scott Gardner was present and invited to address Council. Mr. Gardner advised that he was there to discuss a letter previously sent to Council regarding the status of the Round Lake boat launch and grate. Mr. Gardner asked for clarification on the plans for moving forward with the project. Public Works Superintendent Holly indicated that the permit to the MNR is currently being worked on and is expected to be submitted in March, as previously indicated by the MNR and further noted that the specifics of the project will be brought to Council for approval during budget deliberations. Mr. Gardner asked who made the decision not to share the Engineer's assessment report. CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Gorgerat clarified that it was a decision made by Council. Public Works Superintendent Holly inquired with Mr. Gardner why the RLPOA wanted access to the Engineer's report with Mr. Gardner explaining that they hoped to review it to know the state of the launch, if it was a safety risk and to determine if there was any way RLPOA could assist with the project.

Councillor Browne advised to Mr. Gardner that if there would have been any safety concerns within the report that the ramp would have been shut down.

Minutes:

Moved by Harold Lavigne
Seconded by Brian Pecoskie

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of February 18, 2025 open and closed sessions. Carried.

Moved by Ted Browne
Seconded by Harold Lavigne

Motion to approve the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting of July 15, 2024 open session and the Finance Committee meeting of February 19, 2025 open and closed sessions. Carried.

Reports:

Public Works Superintendent: Public Works Superintendent Dean Holly was in attendance and invited to give his report. Public Works Superintendent Holly reported that regular winter maintenance is ongoing, along with continuous upkeep of equipment. Public Works Superintendent Holly noted that the Public Works Department has been actively thawing culverts and informed Council that the tandem truck, as previously reported, is still experiencing electrical issues. Public Works Superintendent Holly stated that he is continuing to monitor the roadways and implement half-loads when necessary and indicated that, as of March 1st, half-load restrictions have been applied to Mask Road. Public Works Superintendent Holly reported that Heritage Road is muddy, and if conditions worsen, a section of the road without any houses will be closed. Public Works Superintendent Holly reported that the 2025 AORS trade show will be held in Woodstock on June 4th and 5th and mentioned that if any Council members are interested in attending, to let him know.

As it relates to waste management, Public Works Superintendent Holly reported that OVWRC has Molok bins for sale at a cost of \$2,500 each and also mentioned that he is still working on arranging transportation for the Molok waste during the summer.

Councillor Pecoskie confirmed with Public Works Superintendent Holly that half-loads are in effect on Mask Road and Public Works Superintendent Holly clarified that the section from Round Lake Road to Highway 60 is currently under half-load restrictions. Councillor Pecoskie also inquired the year of the tandem truck that is having the electrical issues. Public Works Superintendent Holly indicated that it is a 2013.

Councillor Kuehl asked whether OVWRC would be responsible for picking up the Molok waste in the spring if bins were acquired. Public Works Superintendent Holly responded that he would ask the same contractor who handles the recycling pick-up to also take care of the Molok waste or alternatively, arrange for a local flatbed operator to transport.

Mayor Mayville inquired if the Moloks have a life expectancy and Public Works Superintendent identified that they do.

Council thanked Public Works Superintendent Holly for his report at which time he left the meeting.

CAO/Clerk – Treasurer: CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Tammy Gorgerat was invited to give her report. CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat informed Council that as pursuant to Section 284 (1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* she provided Council with a copy of the Statement of Council Remuneration for 2024.

CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat advised that as directed at the last Finance Committee meeting she has prepared a resolution for the hiring of Thomas Albert for the fire department.

Moved by Bil Smith
Seconded by Brian Pecoskie

THAT Council for the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards hereby approves the hire of Mr. Thomas Albert as a Probationary Firefighter effective February 19, 2025. Carried.

And lastly, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Gorgerat reported that Community Development Coordinator Charbonneau presented a staff report to Council for review and also indicated that he is seeking guidance on the number of days for the Irish Gathering, requesting approval to proceed with planning an Easter event within a proposed budget of \$700, and asked Council to decide whether they would like to move forward with the Cyber Impact E-newsletter subscription and three-year agreement or maintain the current status until a later date.

Council discussed and agreed that the Irish Gathering event will be held the same number of days as last year, approved the Easter event with a \$700 budget, and stated that further discussion on the E-newsletter is needed, deciding to maintain the current status for now.

Mayor Mayville requested that Facilities/Asset Manager Thompson be asked whether the Asset Management Policy deadlines have been met, as there is a deadline of July 1st for a financial strategy addressing shortfalls.

Committee Reports:

Mayor Mayville provided a summary of the Finance Committee meetings held on February 19th and 24th. Councillor Kuehl provided a response regarding the already established fire reserve and the outstanding arrears transferred to the tax roll, while Councillor Smith responded to Mayor Mayville's comments regarding the exclusion of the water and wastewater in the provisional budget, budgeted staff wages, and the spending of all budgeted funds within the approved provisional budget. Mayor Mayville then responded to Councillor Smith's comments.

Correspondence:

Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus – Re: Ready to Work, Ready to Grow EOWC Election Priorities – filed

Township of Uxbridge – Re: Implementation of "Buy Canadian" Policy – filed

Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula – Re: Cell Towers and Associated Maintenance – filed

Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula – Re: Proposed Mandate – Tow Hook – filed

RLPOA – Re: Cost Estimate for Rink Repairs – filed with Councillor Smith advising that the Township collaborate with RLPOA concerning this project, when it moves forward. Council agreed.

City of Woodstock – Re: Resolution – Speeding, Distracted Driving and Impaired Driving – filed

RLPOA – Re: Township Website Revamp – filed

Township of The Archipelago – Re: Resolution – Response to Tariff Threats – Support Canadian Business and Consumers – filed

Town of Goderich – Re: Ministry – Support Resolution – Ride Share Services – filed

Township of Zorra – Re: Resolution – Road Safety – filed

By-Laws:

Moved by Ted Browne
Seconded by Harold Lavigne

THAT By-Law No. 11 - 2025 being a by-law to authorize the execution of a Development Agreement between Mackie Foy and Kenneth Malcolm Foy and the Municipal Corporation of The Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards be given its 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 4th day of March, 2025. Carried

New Business:

CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat advised that she provided Council with a letter from OCWA regarding the recent tariff development for information.

Committee of the Whole:

Moved by Brian Pecoskie
Seconded by Ted Browne

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;
- 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 Brian Pecoskie
Seconded by Harold Lavigne

Motion to come out of Committee of the Whole. 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 Harold Lavigne
Seconded by Bil Smith

THAT By-Law No. 12 – 2025 Being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards at its Regular Meeting held on March 4, 2025 be given its 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 4th day of March 2025. Carried.

Adjournment

Moved by Bil Smith
Seconded by Brian Pecoskie

Motion to adjourn the Regular Council meeting of March 4, 2025 for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards. Carried.

Mayor – Dave Mayville

CAO/Clerk-Treasurer – Tammy Gorgerat