Mayor's Directive Issued under O. Reg. 530/22 (Strong Mayor Powers) Directive #4

Date: September 18 2025

To: Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)
Subject: In Camera Agenda Management

#### Authority

This directive is issued pursuant to the following provisions:

- Municipal Act, 2001, s. 224 Role of the Head of Council (to lead Council and preside over meetings).
- Municipal Act, 2001, s. 229 Responsibilities of the Chief Administrative Officer.
- Municipal Act, 2001, s. 239 Rules governing closed meetings of Council.
- Municipal Act, 2001, s. 284.8 Duties of the Head of Council to exercise strong mayor powers to advance prescribed provincial priorities.
- O. Reg. 530/22, s. 2(2) Authority of the Mayor to determine the agenda of Council meetings, including open and closed sessions.
- Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards Procedural By-law No. 16-2023 Rules regarding agenda preparation, circulation, and closed meeting procedures.

#### Directive

- 1. Mayor's Authority Over Closed Session Agendas
  - The Mayor shall determine the content of in camera (closed session) agendas, consistent with O. Reg. 530/22, s. 2(2).
  - Staff may recommend items for closed session consideration, but no item shall appear on the agenda without the Mayor's approval.
- 2. Compliance with the Municipal Act
  - Only matters falling within the permitted exceptions in s. 239 of the Municipal Act may be placed on a closed session agenda.
  - The specific subsection of s. 239 shall be cited for each closed session item.

### 3. Procedure for Entry into Closed Session

- The CAO/Clerk shall prepare the necessary motion for Council to pass in open session before proceeding in camera.
- The Mayor shall state the reason and relevant section of the Act before the vote.

## 4. Circulation and Confidentiality

- Draft in camera agendas shall be circulated by the CAO/Clerk to Members of Council and the Mayor in accordance with the Township's Procedural By-law.
- All closed session materials shall remain confidential and shall not be released to the public except as required by law.

# 5. Record-Keeping and Reporting Back

- The CAO/Clerk shall maintain accurate records of the time in and out of closed session and the general nature of the matter discussed.
- Upon resumption of open session, the Mayor shall provide a report-back to the public summarizing the general nature of the discussion and confirming whether any direction was given.

Effective Date: This directive takes effect immediately and remains in force until amended or revoked.

Dave Mayville, Mayor

Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards