

April 7, 2026

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, Carl Kuehl, Ted Browne and Brian Pecoskie in attendance.

Call to Order:

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

Moved by Harold Lavigne
Seconded by Ted Browne

BE IT RESOLVED, that Council for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards hereby adopts the agenda for the Regular Council meeting of April 7, 2026, as presented. Carried.

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 provided an update on recent events he attended representing the Township, specifically; a County Council meeting including the Committees of Development and Property and Operations. Mayor Mayville acknowledged the appointment of Mr. Greg Sarazen as Chief for the Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation and to Chris Gienow and the Killaloe Kings on defeating Calver in 5 games. And lastly, for information Mayor Mayville highlighted the upcoming Taste of the Valley dates and locations and advised that expression of interest 2027-2028 will be released in June and close in September.

Pecuniary/Financial Interest:

Councillor MacMillan to declare at the appropriate time.

Minutes:

Moved by Brian Pecoskie
Seconded by Ted Browne

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of March 17, 2026 open session. Carried.

Moved by Ted Browne
Seconded by Harold Lavigne

Motion to approve the minutes of the Public Meeting of March 23, 2026 open session. Carried.

Correspondence:

Township of Oro-Medonte – Re: Request for Provincial Legislation Amendments, Health and Safety Concerns – filed

Municipality of Bluewater – Re: Request for Provincial Consultation and Transparency Regarding Potential Changes to English Public School Board Governance – filed

Paul Sullivan; Principal, Practice Leader Advocacy and Tax Policy Canada – Re: Unfreeze Ontario – The Cost of Inaction – filed

EOWC – Re: Ontario Wardens' Caucus Responds to the 2026 Ontario Budget – filed

County of Renfrew – Re: Council and Committee Monthly Summary – filed

Northeastern Manitoulin & The Islands – Re: Reconsideration of the Lighter Grade of Oil for Chip-and-Tar Surface Treatment – filed

MPP Billy Denault – Re: 2026 Ontario Senior of the Year Award Nominations Open – Council will return to the Committee of the Whole meeting with suggestions and detailed reasons supporting nominations.

RCDHU – Re: Medical Officer of Health Report to the Board – filed

EOWC – Re: March 2026 Newsletter – filed

County of Renfrew – Re: Help Name Our New Recreational Trail! – filed

Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation – Re: Newly elected Council Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation – filed

By-Laws:

Moved by Maureen MacMillan

Seconded by Harold Lavigne

THAT By-Law No. 20 - 2026 being a by-law to amend By-Law No. 11 – 2024, being the Zoning By-Law of the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards, be given its 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 7th day of April, 2026. Carried.

Moved by Harold Lavigne

Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

THAT By-Law No. 21 - 2026 being a by-law to adopt the amended Community Safety and Well-Being Plan for the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards, be given its 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 7th day of April, 2026. Carried.

Moved by Harold Lavigne

Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

THAT By-Law No. 22 - 2026 being a by-law to provide for the appointment of a CAO/Clerk for the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards, be given its 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 7th day of April, 2026. Carried.

Moved by Ted Browne

Seconded by Harold Lavigne

THAT By-Law No. 23 - 2026 being a by-law to provide for the appointment of a Deputy Clerk for the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards, be given its 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 7th day of April, 2026. Carried.

Moved by Maureen MacMillan

Seconded by Ted Browne

THAT By-Law No. 24 - 2026 being a by-law to provide for the appointment of a Treasurer for the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards, be given its 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 7th day of April, 2026. Carried.

Moved by Harold Lavigne

Seconded by Ted Browne

THAT By-Law No. 25 - 2026 being a by-law to appoint a Municipal By-Law Enforcement Officer and Property Standards Officer for the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards, be given its 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 7th day of April, 2026. Carried.

Moved by Ted Browne

Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

THAT By-Law No. 26 - 2026 being a by-law to appoint a Chief Building Official for the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards, be given its 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 7th day of April, 2026. Carried.

Moved by Maureen MacMillan

Seconded by Ted Browne

THAT By-Law No. 27 - 2026 being a by-law to appoint an Inspector for the purpose of enforcing the prescribed maintenance standards under the Residential Tenancies Act for the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards, be given its 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 7th day of April, 2026. Carried.

Moved by Brian Pecoskie
Seconded by Harold Lavigne

THAT By-Law No. 28 - 2026 being a by-law to appoint a Building Inspector for large and complex buildings for the Corporation of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards, be given its 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 7th day of April, 2026. Carried.

New Business:

CAO/Clerk–Treasurer Gorgerat advised that she had presented the 2025 Integrity Commissioner Services Annual Report. Councillor MacMillan noted that costs associated with seven complaints in 2025 totaled \$23,974.25.

I Maureen MacMillan declare a pecuniary interest in regards to the Henry St. boat launch.

Councillor MacMillan remained in the meeting but did not participate in the discussion or vote on the resolution.

Councillor Smith presented on the Henry Street Enhanced Water Access Initiative. CBO/By-Law Officer Tyler Mask was in attendance and spoke on his report as well. Council discussed and passed the following resolution:

Moved by Ted Browne
Seconded Brian Pecoskie

WHEREAS the Community Resource Centre (CRC) wishes to submit an application to the Enhancing Access to Spaces for Everyone (EASE) Grant for the Henry Street Landing Project in the Village of Killaloe;

AND WHEREAS the project includes the development of a fully accessible canoe/kayak launch assist, a gravel ramp, limestone steps, seating and a cedar fishing dock on municipal property;

AND WHEREAS the Township recognizes the alignment of this project with the EASE program's priorities of increasing accessibility for older adults and persons with disabilities, particularly in outdoor and community spaces;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards hereby expresses its support for the CRC's EASE grant application and further confirms that, should the application be successful, the municipality will work collaboratively with the Henry Street Landing Project organizers and authorize the use of the landing located off Henry Street in Killaloe, ON for the purposes of the project, subject to all applicable legislation, regulations, and municipal policies. Carried.

Mayor Mayville provided a presentation on the 2026 budget highlighting projects/priorities, projected expenditures, and anticipated revenue sources for the upcoming fiscal year. Mayor Mayville also noted variances and comparisons between 2025 and 2026. And lastly, Mayor Mayville noted that he is concerned that the Township's expenses continue to rise with no meaningful growth to the tax base, and advised that he believes it is time for a comprehensive, independent review. Mayor Mayville indicated that he will bring this forward for discussion at a future committee meeting.

Councillor Browne sought clarification from Mayor Mayville regarding who he was referring to when he stated "once they came to understand," to which Mayor Mayville indicated he was referring to staff. Councillor Browne indicated that some of the points within Mayor Mayville's presentation were not related to the budget and characterized them as a campaign tactic. Councillor Browne inquired with CAO/Clerk–Treasurer Gorgerat whether the information contained in the Mayor's budget presentation was accurate and whether it had been reviewed by staff prior to being made available to the public. CAO/Clerk–Treasurer Gorgerat advised that staff had not reviewed the information.

Councillor Kuehl inquired whether the tenders for the road projects had been released, to which CAO/Clerk–Treasurer Gorgerat advised that they had not and noted that further

information on the timing and status could be obtained from the Public Works Superintendent.

Councillor Pecoskie advised that he did not agree with Mayor Mayville's budget meeting cost figures, noting that they were inaccurate and not transparent, as the number of Councillors and staff varied at each meeting. Mayor Mayville explained how he calculated the meeting costs.

Mayor Mayville brought forward a resolution requesting that his suspended remuneration be allocated to local volunteer and community support organizations. CAO/Clerk–Treasurer Gorgerat read the resolution aloud, after which Council discussed the matter. Council inquired about the approximate legal costs, to which CAO/Clerk–Treasurer Gorgerat advised that 2025 to present costs, including those for the Integrity Commissioner, Aird & Berlis, and the Township Solicitor, totalled \$52,301.76. Council advised that they felt the funds should be directed back into municipal operations to replace monies spent on legal fees since the implementation of the strong mayor powers.

Moved by Dave Mayville
Seconded by Brian Pecoskie

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards hereby approves Mayor Mayville's recommendation that an amount equivalent to the Mayor's suspended remuneration be allocated to local volunteer and community support organizations, specifically to be divided between the Senior Friendship Club, the local radio station and the Friends of the Library. Not Carried.

CAO/Clerk–Treasurer Gorgerat advised that Deputy CAO/Clerk–Treasurer Sharlene Lapenskie provided a report requesting Council's direction on two matters: first, to authorize the CAO to review and approve all Council timesheets, consistent with the current practice for the Mayor's timesheets; and second, to direct staff to draft a formal policy defining what constitutes a meeting and eligible remuneration for members of Council, to ensure consistency and compliance with applicable legislation and municipal best practices. Council discussed and supported Deputy CAO/Clerk–Treasurer Lapenskie's request.

CAO/Clerk–Treasurer Gorgerat advised that Deputy CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Lapenskie provided an update on tax sales for Council's review. The report indicated that 33 properties paid their tax arrears, totalling \$427,669. Of the remaining 22 properties, 16 will be proceeding to tax sale on July 23 if not paid in full by that date, and the remaining 6 properties do not yet have a scheduled tax sale date, with Council to be advised once they are set. CAO/Clerk – Treasurer advised that the amount still to be recovered through this process is \$1,225,460.

Councillor Smith advised he wrote a letter to the editor of the *Eganville Leader*, which he read aloud. The letter was in response to remarks made by Mayor Mayville at the March 17th Council meeting in a prepared statement he presented. In his letter, Councillor Smith, reiterated that Council acted within its authority in response to the recommendations of the Integrity Commissioner and the sanctions imposed are neither unlawful or unfair.

Councillor Browne inquired with Mayor Mayville, in relation to his March 17 statement and comments thanking Kathy Marion for her letter, why the email containing the letter from Kathy Marion was sent from Mayor Mayville's wife's email account. Mayor Mayville advised he was unaware.

Councillor Browne advised that a taxpayer inquired why payment was still required for water services while it was disconnected and whether Council could reconsider this decision. Council discussed and advised that the process must be applied consistently for all.

Confirming By-Law:

Moved by Ted Browne
Seconded Maureen MacMillan

THAT By-Law No. 29 – 2026 Being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards at its Regular Council meeting held on April 7, 2026 be given its 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading and finally passed this 7th day of April, 2026. Carried.

Adjournment

Moved by Ted Browne
Seconded by Harold Lavigne

Motion to adjourn the Regular Council meeting of April 7, 2026 for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards. Carried.

Mayor – Dave Mayville

CAO/Clerk-Treasurer – Tammy Gorgerat