

January 15, 2026

Public Meeting

7:00 PM

The Council of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards met on the above date with, Mayor Dave Mayville, Councillors Harold Lavigne, Bil Smith, Maureen MacMillan, Carl Kuehl, Ted Browne and Brian Pecoskie present.

Call to Order:

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

Moved by Harold Lavigne

Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

BE IT RESOLVED, that Council for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards hereby adopts the agenda for the Public Meeting of January 15, 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.

Pecuniary/Financial Interest:

No pecuniary/financial interest was declared by any of the Council members present.

Purpose of the Meeting:

To consider and receive public input regarding proposed ballot questions to be submitted to electors at the 2026 municipal election, pursuant to the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*.

CAO/Clerk – Treasurer:

CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Tammy Gorgerat advised that the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards currently operates under a ward-based electoral system, with Councillors elected to represent defined geographic wards, as established by municipal by-law pursuant to the *Municipal Act, 2001*.

CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Gorgerat further advised that Council has resolved to place municipal questions on the ballot for the 2026 municipal election and that the purpose of the public meeting was to receive input from residents on the proposed questions which she outlined were "*Are you in favour of abolishing the current ward system in the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards?*" and "*Are you in favour of reducing the size of Council to four (4) Councillors and one (1) Mayor for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards?*"

CAO/Clerk – Treasurer Gorgerat explained that question 1 seeks public input on whether the Township should continue with a ward-based system or move to an at-large electoral system, and that question 2 seeks public input on a reduction in the size of Council.

CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Gorgerat invited public comments, noting that feedback will assist Council prior to finalizing the questions and passing the authorizing by-law.

Delegations:

Members of the public provided comments, shared views, and asked questions of Council to which Council responded.

New Business:

No direction was given to staff to amend the proposed questions at this time.

Moved by Ted Browne
Seconded by Bil Smith

WHEREAS Council of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards wishes to seek public input on a matter through two questions which are to be placed on the municipal ballot;

AND WHEREAS the *Municipal Act, 2001*, provides the authority for Council to pass by-laws related to the conduct of municipal elections and the placement of questions on ballots;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs that a by-law to authorize the placement of the proposed questions on the ballot be brought forward to the Regular Council meeting scheduled for January 21, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.;

AND FURTHER THAT the CAO/Clerk - Treasurer be authorized to prepare the necessary by-law and supporting documentation for consideration at that meeting.
Carried.

Confirming By-Law:

Moved by Harold Lavigne
Seconded by Bil Smith

THAT By-Law No. 05 – 2026 Being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards at its Public Meeting held on January 15, 2026 be given its 1st, 2nd, and 3rd reading and finally passed this 15th day of January, 2026. Carried.

Adjournment:

Moved by Bil Smith
Seconded by Maureen MacMillan

Motion to adjourn the Public Meeting of January 15, 2026 for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards. Carried.

Mayor Dave Mayville

CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Tammy Gorgerat