

The Corporation of the Town of Kearney
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Council Chambers
Thursday, October 2nd , 2025 – 6:00 p.m.

Council Members Present: Mayor: Cheryl Philip
Deputy Mayor: Michael Rickward
Councillors: Keven Beaucage, Heather Pateman, Jill Sharer

Staff Present: Nicole Gourlay, CAO/Clerk (CAO)
Jenny LeBlond, Treasurer (T)
Tom Young, Public Works Superintendent (PWS)
Jason Newman, Bylaw Enforcement (BLEO)
Cindy Filmore, Deputy Clerk (DC)

The CAO/Clerk, Treasurer and Public Works Superintendent were present for the entirety of the meeting. The Bylaw Enforcement Officer was present for his portion of the public meeting. The DC was present for the public meeting.

A moment of silence was held to honour the memory of Dan McElroy and to honour the memory of the Indigenous Children of the country for National Truth and Reconciliation Day

1. **Call the Meeting to Order**
The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. **Approval of Agenda**
Resolution 2025-257
Moved by: Councillor Beaucage; Seconded by: Councillor Pateman
BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney adopts the Agenda of October 2, 2025 as amended
Amended to add: (2)(f) Advice Subject to Solicitor-Client Privilege
CARRIED
3. **Disclosure of Interest – none noted**
4. **Delegations/Presentations/Public Meetings - nil**
5. **Consent List**
Resolution 2025-258
Moved by: Councillor Sharer; Seconded by: Councillor Beaucage
BE IT RESOLVED that the Consent List from the Council Meeting of Thursday, October 2, 2025, be accepted and that all recommendations or support contained therein be adopted and approved as resolutions of Council except for items: 5.1 September 11 Regular Council meeting minutes 2025 Minutes to be changed to reflect the reason Councillor Beaucage left the meeting during Closed Session
CARRIED
6. **Items Referred from the Consent List**
Resolution 2025-259
Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Pateman
BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney directs Staff to amend the Draft September 11th, 2025 Council Meeting Minutes under item 11. Closed Session to include that Councillor Beaucage left the meeting during Closed Session due to a declared Conflict of Interest.
CARRIED
7. **Items for Discussion**
7.1 SR2025-56 Winter Sand and Salt Tender Report
Resolution 2025-260
Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Pateman
BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby receives

Staff Report SR2025-56 regarding Winter Sand and Salt Tender; AND FURTHER THAT Tender RFT 2025-02 for the supply, screening, mixing and stockpiling of salt and sand for winter road application be awarded to A. Miron Topsoil Ltd for the lowest bid of \$78,600 excluding HST.
CARRIED

7.2 DRAFT Entrance Permit By-law Update

Res. No. 2025-261

Moved by: Councillor Sharer; Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Rickward

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby receives DRAFT Entrance Permit By-law Update; AND FURTHER THAT this bylaw be brought back for passing at a future meeting
CARRIED

7.3 DRAFT Parking By-law

Resolution 2025-262

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby receives DRAFT Parking By-law Update; AND FURTHER THAT this bylaw be brought back for passing at a future meeting
CARRIED

7.4 SR2025-57 Update to Alternative Voting Methods Municipal Election 2026

Resolution 2025-263

Moved by: Councillor Pateman; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby receives SR2025-57 the Updated report from the CAO/Clerk regarding costs associated with an alternate voting method for the Municipal Election 2026; AND FURTHER THAT Council supports the use of Internet/Telephone for the 2026 Municipal Election; AND FURTHER THAT a bylaw to this effect be brought back to the next regular meeting of Council for passing
CARRIED

Recorded Vote requested by: Keven Beaucage

Recorded Vote:	For	Opposed
Beaucage, Keven		X
Pateman, Heather	X	
Philip, Cheryl - Mayor	X	
Rickward, Michael – Deputy Mayor	X	
Sharer, Jill	X	

7.5 Memo: Resolution Report

Resolution 2025-264

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Pateman

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby receives the Memo from Jenny LeBlond regarding the Resolution Report; AND FURTHER THAT Staff shall stop providing the Resolution report to Council.
CARRIED

7.6 SR2025-58 Financial Audit Tender Report

Resolution 2025-265

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Beaucage

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby receives the SR2025-58 from Jenny LeBlond regarding the Tender for Financial Audit Services; AND FURTHER THAT RFP Audit-2025 for the provision of services of a qualified Chartered Accounting Firm to conduct the Financial and Compliance Audit for years ending Dec. 31, 2025, 2026 and 2027 with a possible extension for another two years be awarded to BDO Canada LLP for the bid of \$25,000, \$25,750 and \$26,500 respectively, excluding HST.
Carried

7.7 SR2025-59 Update on Harris Road Allowance Purchase

Resolution 2025-266

Moved by: Councillor Pateman; Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Rickward

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby receives SR2025-59 regarding the Harris Road Allowance purchase; AND FURTHER THAT Council approves in principle providing an easement over the unopened road allowance with the following conditions:

1. That the Town receives confirmation from the Crown that they are not opposed to the easement over this access to Crown Lands.

2. That Ms. Harris obtains consent by legal Right of Way across the Young property which will provide legal access for Ms. Harris property via Grass Lake Road
3. That the driveway right of way be reviewed and approved by the Town's Public Works Superintendent and be consistent with the current by-laws and policies of the Town.

CARRIED

7.8 Road Closure for Santa's Ski Show

Resolution 2025-267

Moved by: Councillor Beaucage; Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Rickward

WHEREAS the organizers of the Santa Claus Charity Ski Show 2025 have requested to close Main St. from Lakeview Ave to Rain Lake Rd from 12 pm to 3 pm on November 8, 2025; AND WHEREAS Staff and emergency personnel have been notified and have no concerns with the closure of the road; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney authorizes the closure of Main St between Lakeview Ave and Rain Lake Rd on November 8, 2025 from 12pm to 3pm for the Santa Claus Charity Ski Show.

CARRIED

7.9 Appointment to Hiring Committee for job postings until end of 2025

Resolution 2025-268

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney requires a member of Council to sit on the hiring committee of all full time Staff; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council members to the Hiring Committee for the remainder of 2025: Heather Pateman & Cheryl Philip.

CARRIED

8. Notice of Motion - nil

9. Correspondence for Information

Resolution 2025-269

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Beaucage

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney receives the correspondence list of the October 2, 2025 as information; AND FURTHER directs Staff to draft letters of support regarding 9.6, 9.7 and 9.9

CARRIED

10. By-laws - nil

11. Closed Session

Resolution 2025-270

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by Councillor Beaucage

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney moves into closed session at 7:28 pm, under Section 239 of the Municipal Act, under the following subsections:

- (2)(c) Acquisition or Disposition of Land
- (2)(b) Identifiable Individual
- (2)(d) Labour Relations or Employee Negotiations
- (2)(f) Advice subject to solicitor- client privilege

Resolution 2025-271

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Pateman

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney reconvenes in Open Session at 9:03 pm

Resolution 2025-272

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Beaucage

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney approves the awarded Chetwynd Rd. paving project in the amount of \$320,960.82 plus HST.

CARRIED

12. Confirming By-law

Resolution 2025-273

Moved by: Councillor Sharer; Seconded by: Councillor Pateman

BE IT RESOLVED that By-law 2025-59 being a by-law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Regular Meeting of October 2, 2025, be read a first, second and a third time, passed, signed by

the Mayor and the Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation, and engrossed in the by-law book.

CARRIED

13. Adjournment

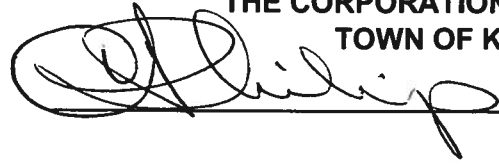
Resolution 2025-274

Moved by: Councillor Sharer; Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Rickward

BE IT RESOLVED that the Regular Council Meeting of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney adjourn at 9:05 pm

CARRIED

THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF KEARNEY



Mayor



Clerk