

TOWN OF KEARNEY

AMENDED AGENDA Thursday, February 26, 2026

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Council Chambers Thursday, February 26, 2026 – 6:00 p.m.

1. Call the Meeting to Order

2. Approval of Agenda

3. Disclosure of Interest

[At this time, Members of Council shall declare pecuniary interest, if any, with items on the agenda.]

4. Delegations/Presentations/Public Meetings

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5. Consent List

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| 5.1. DRAFT February 5, 2026 Council Meeting Minutes | Pg.54 |
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6. Items Referred from the Consent List

7. Items for Discussion

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- 9.1. Letter of Support - Call for Reform and Publication of the Ontario Sex Offender Registry Pg.96
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10. Bylaws

- 10.1 2026 – 09 Parking By-law Pg.121
- 10.2 2026 – 10 Engineering Services Agreement with Tatham Engineering Pg.135

11. Closed Session

Under Section 239 of the Municipal Act, Council will move into closed session under the following subsections:

- 2(b) Personal Matters about an Identifiable Individual
- 2(d) Labour Relations or Employee Negotiations

12. Confirming Bylaw

Being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council

13. Adjournment



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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: Feb 26th 2026

GENERAL NATURE OF DELEGATION: OPP delegate to explain
the ask from the board to the neighbouring
municipality

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SIGNATURE: [Signature] DATE: Feb 17 2026

FW: Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board 2026 Budget

From Beth Morton <beth.morton@townshipofperry.ca>

Date Fri 2/13/2026 12:13 PM

To Cindy Filmore <cindy.filmore@townofkearney.ca>

Hi Cindy

And last correspondence sent today.

Take care,

Beth Morton, Clerk-Administrator



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From: Beth Morton

Sent: February 13, 2026 11:27 AM

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Cc: Kim Seguin <kim.seguin@townshipofperry.ca>

Subject: Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board 2026 Budget

Good morning:

In response to Denis's question regarding Council resolution, I did some further digging into the budget and realized that there will need to be some adjustments required to the 2026 Budget and its breakdown.

The appropriate share for the OPP Board Budget is broken down based on a 1/12th share, save and except for the OAPSB membership which is based on a per property calculation. For 2026, OAPSB did not provide a breakdown per property, so I have requested that amount and will provide an update as soon as I have it.

In addition, in reviewing the Terms of Reference, the mileage to attend the conference and zone meetings are paid by the member's respective municipality. This would apply for the Council representative. The Community Representatives and Provincial Appointee costs are shared based on a 1/12th share.

The June Spring Conference in Niagara Falls is being attended this year by Dan Robertson, Councillor of Ryerson Township. I had estimated into the budget a mileage cost of approximately \$525, therefore the conference portion of the budget has been reduced by this amount as it is the municipality responsibility and not the Board to cover this cost. The conference, meals, hotel expenses are the responsibility of the Board.

The Provincial Appointee is regulated to receive remuneration. It is at the Board's discretion to pay the Community Representatives. A monetary amount has been included in the 2026 Budget based on Perry's rates for 2026. Any remuneration of Council representatives (if paid) would be by their respective municipality.

The 1/12th share was agreed upon when establishing the Board, as well as the Board composition.

Under Section 71 of the Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019, S.O. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 1 outline the Estimates for the OPP Detachment Boards.

Section 71 (1) outlines that the O.P.P. detachment board shall prepare estimates, in accordance with the regulations made by the Minister, of the total amount that will be required to pay the expenses of the board's operation, other than the remuneration of board members. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 1, s. 71 (1); 2023, c. 12, Sched. 1, s. 31 (1);

And Section 71 (2) outlines that the O.P.P. detachment board shall submit the estimates to every municipality that receives policing from the detachment along with a statement of the municipality's share of the costs, which are to be determined in accordance with the regulations made by the Minister. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 1, s. 71 (2); 2023, c. 12, Sched. 1, s. 31 (2); and

And Section 71 (3) outlines that subject to subsection (4), the municipalities shall contribute their share of the costs to the O.P.P. detachment board's budget in accordance with the estimates. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 1, s. 71 (3).

Based on this information, the Board Budget amount is to be included within each municipality's budget at the 1/12th share (plus OAPSB calculation cost), therefore there is no resolution required by each Council based on legislation (similar to a levy) as Council is required to pay it.

Once I hear back from OAPSB on the calculation of the membership fee for 2026, I will provide a revised draft budget figure for municipalities.

I apologize for any confusion this may have caused, and please reach out if you have questions.

Take care,

Beth Morton, Clerk-Administrator



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Cc: Kim Seguin <kim.seguin@townshipofperry.ca>

Subject: Re: Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board Special Meeting February 11, 2026 Agenda Package

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Morning Beth,

When would you need the resolutions from each municipalities?

Thank you, Merci,



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Cc: Kim Seguin <kim.seguin@townshipofperry.ca>

Subject: RE: Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board Special Meeting February 11, 2026 Agenda Package

Good morning:

Attached are the February 11, 2026 Draft Minutes for the OPP Board.

The Board reviewed the 2026 Draft Budget and directed the Secretary to bring it back for approval at the next Meeting on April 8, 2026.

The total 2026 Budget for the Board is \$15,397.15 with each municipal share being \$1,283.10.

Please reach out if you have any questions.

Take care,

Beth Morton, Clerk-Administrator



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Subject: Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board Special Meeting February 11, 2026 Agenda Package

Good afternoon:

Attached is the Agenda, together with full package for the Special OPP Board Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 11, 2026 at 5:00 pm via Zoom for your internal use.

The Agenda has been posted to the Board website.

Following the meeting, I will ensure that each municipality is provided the Draft Budget total in preparation of their budgets. It is expected that the Budget will be adopted at the next Regular Meeting on April 8, 2026.

Regards,

Beth Morton, Clerk-Administrator



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Regular Meeting of the Board

Wednesday January 14, 2026

Item 6.4 Draft 2026 Board Budget {Discussion}

OVERVIEW

As per Section 71 of the CSPA, an OPP Detachment Board shall prepare estimates, in accordance with regulations made by the Minister, of the total amount that will be required to pay the expenses of the board's operation, other than the remuneration of board members. Under Section 71, municipalities shall contribute their share of the costs to the OPP Detachment Board's budget.

The Acting Secretary has provided 'draft' items for discussion for the 2026 Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board Budget.

The 2026 Insurance and Membership costs are estimated based on the 2025 costs and I hope to have solid numbers for the next meeting in April.

It was recommended that a budget of \$1,200 be established for the Provincial Appointee for 2025 and I have kept this consistent for 2026.

General Board costs are established at \$1,800 for 2026, but there was a discussion at a 2025 Meeting that one or two Board Members may wish to attend the Spring OAPSB Conference this year. There are also Zone Meetings that will be held later in the year possibly in Sudbury, Sault Ste. Marie and during the OAPSB Conference in June.

This is an election year, therefore the Board may want to also keep in mind that a new Board will be appointed following the 2026 Municipal Election when determining what sessions to attend in 2026.

Item	Description	Budget
OAPSB	2026 Membership Fee	\$3,904.30
OPP Board Insurance	2026 Insurance	\$3,888.00
Provincial Appointee Honorarium	2026 Provincial Appointee Honorarium	\$1,200.00
General Board Administration	Board-led programs, Seminars, Zone Meetings, Sponsorships, etc	\$1,800.00
2026 Draft Total		\$10,792.30

This report has been submitted to the Board for discussion purposes in order to provide direction to the Acting Secretary to bring forward a 2026 Budget to the next meeting.



**ALMAGUIN HIGHLANDS OPP DETACHMENT BOARD
CONSEIL DU DÉTACHEMENT D'ALMAGUIN HIGHLANDS
DE LA POLICE PROVINCIALE**

ALMAGUIN HIGHLANDS OPP DETACHMENT
DÉTACHEMENT D'ALMAGUIN HIGHLANDS DE LA POLICE PROVINCIALE

**Special Meeting of the Board
Wednesday February 11, 2026**

**Items for consideration:
Draft 2 - 2026 Board Budget,
Annual Conference
& Meal Allowance Policy**

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 1

Be it resolved that the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board has received the Draft 2 2026 Budget and hereby directs that the Secretary bring it forward for approval at the April 8, 2026 Meeting.

Resolution 2

Be it resolved that the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board hereby approves _____ to attend the 2026 Spring Conference and Annual General Meeting from June 1 to 3, 2026 in Niagara Falls, Ontario.

Resolution 3

Be it resolved that the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board hereby directs the Secretary to bring forward a Meal Allowance Policy for consideration and approval at the April 8, 2026 Meeting.

OVERVIEW

The Acting Secretary has provided a revised 'Draft 2' Budget for discussion for the 2026 Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board Budget.

Honoraria for community representatives and the provincial appointee has been established to be paid in accordance with the Township of Perry's established per-meeting per diem for advisory boards which is \$61.82 per

meeting beginning in 2026. The Board has established to meet quarterly, but I have added an allowance for up to 2 additional meetings per year.

The 2026 Insurance and Membership costs are confirmed and paid for this year.

General Board costs were originally established at \$1,800 for 2026.

There was a discussion that one or two Board Members may wish to attend the Spring OAPSB Conference this year. There are also Zone Meetings that will be held later in the year in Sudbury and Sault Ste. Marie and during the OAPSB Conference in June.

I was able to obtain the estimated costs for the Conference and Zone Meetings.

For the Spring Conference there is a Early Bird discount up to April 1, 2026. The cost is \$899 plus tax for the conference. Hotel rates are \$159 to 239 plus tax per night depending on availability of rooms. Mileage and other food expenses have also been considered.

For the Zone Meetings, I have calculated approximate costs for hotel, mileage and food expenses.

The budget has been established to allow for the attendance of one member at the Conference and at each Zone Meeting.

It should be confirmed if anyone or who will be attending the conference. The registration will need to be completed prior to the next meeting to ensure that the Early Bird discount is applied (before April 1, 2026). The Acting Secretary can complete the registration and pay the fees for conference. Hotel and other expenses will need be managed by the attendee and reimbursed by the Township of Perry upon providing receipts. Hotel expenses will be reimbursed based on hotel rates advertised should the attendee wish to book at an alternate location. Furthermore, if there is no one attending this year's conference, the funds can be removed from the budget. I do not have the dates for the Zone 1A Meetings as of completion of this report.

Note: There is an option to purchase a companion meal package for \$250 plus tax. If the attendee wishes to take a companion to the conference, this expense must be paid for by the attendee as it is not an approved expense.

\$2,000 has also been included as an appreciation/recognition as per the discussion at the January 14, 2026 Meeting. This item will be further discussed at a future meeting to determine what the Board determines for appreciation/recognition (ie jerseys, awards dinner, etc.)

The municipalities are preparing their 2026 budgets, therefore it is imperative that the total budget be established to assist in their budget preparations. Following this meeting, an update will be provided to each Clerk of the 12 municipalities providing the estimated 2026 budget so that it may be included in the annual operating budget. Once the budget has been adopted, this will also be sent to the municipalities.

In addition to the budget, the Acting Secretary will bring forward a Meal Allowance Policy adopted by Perry Council for consideration by the Board so that a policy may be adopted in advance of the conference and Zone meetings.

This report has been submitted to the Board for discussion purposes in order to provide direction to the Acting Secretary to bring forward the final 2026 Budget at the next Regular Meeting scheduled on April 8, 2026, along with direction for Conference attendance and Meal Allowance Policy.

Submitted to the Board for their consideration.

Attachments

- Draft 2 Budget with attachments
- OAPSB Conference for consideration
- Township of Perry Meal Allowance Policy

February 5, 2026 – Draft 2 Budget

Item	Description	Budget
OAPSB	2026 Membership Fee	\$2,996.39
OPP Board Insurance	2026 Insurance	\$3,888.00
Provincial Appointee Honorarium	2026 Provincial Appointee Honorarium	\$370.92
Community Representative Appointees Honorarium	2026 Community Representative Appointees Honorarium	\$741.84 (\$61.82 meeting for each community rep)
General Board Administration	Spring Conference (1 Member – conference, hotel, mileage, food)	\$2,500.00
	Zone 1A Meeting (Sudbury – 1 member – meeting, hotel, mileage, food)	\$1,200.00
	Zone 1A Meeting (Sault Ste. Marie – 1 member – meeting, hotel, mileage, food)	\$1,700.00
2026 Appreciation Recognition		\$2,000.00
2026 Draft Total		\$ 15,397.15 (\$1,283.10 per municipality)



PLANNING DEPARTMENT
APPLICATION FORM

- Official Plan Amendment
- Zoning By-law Amendment
- Minor Variance
- Consent/Severance

A Meeting with Town Staff is required prior to the submission of a Planning Department Application.
 An Application does not imply or suggest any decision on behalf of Town Staff or the Corporation of the Town of Kearney.
 Applicants are required to post NOTICE of the Public Meeting that is the subject of the Application.
 Members of Council, Town Staff and Town Consultants may conduct a site inspection(s) of the subject land(s).
 By submitting an Application, you acknowledge and authorize access for the purpose of conducting the required site inspection.
Only complete Applications will be processed.

REGISTERED OWNER INFORMATION:

Name of Owner(s): Ken / LORRIE BENNETT
 Address: 1046 Echo Ridge Rd
Kearney Ont
 Telephone: 705-636-7714, 905-209-0123
 Email: lorrie603@hotmail.com

AGENT INFORMATION (if applicable):

Name of Agent: _____
 Company/Firm: _____
 Address: _____
 Telephone: _____ Email: _____

CORRESPONDENCE: Please specify to whom all correspondence should be sent: Owner Agent Both

LOCATION OF PROPERTY:

Lot: 8 Conc.: 7 Township: Bethune Reference Plan: _____ Part/Block/Lot: _____
 Property Roll No.: 4918 - 020 - 001 - 10504 - 0000
 Civic Address: 1046 Echo Ridge Rd Kearney, Ont POA 1M0
 Water Access only: _____
 (Name of Waterbody)

MORTGAGES, CHARGES OR OTHER ENCUMBRANCES

Name: _____
 Mailing Address: _____
 Name: _____
 Mailing Address: _____

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT LANDS: (see attached survey drawing)

Lot area (ha): _____ Lot Road Frontage (m): _____ Water Frontage (m): N/A
 Lot Depth (m): _____ Easements/Right-of-ways: Yes No If yes, describe purpose: _____
 Existing Use of Property: Vacant Land

PAST PLANNING ACT APPLICATIONS:

Are you aware of any previous Planning Act applications on the subject property? Yes No If Yes, please explain:
 Type of application(s): Severance
 Date(s): _____

OFFICIAL PLAN / ZONING STATUS:

Official Plan designation: Shoreline/Rural
Zoning designation: CT

What is the proposed future use of the subject lands : Vacant Land.

BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND USES

Please complete the following for each Building or Structure:

	Building One		Building Two		Building Three	
	Existing	Proposed	Existing	Proposed	Existing	Proposed
Type of Building						
Setback from Front Lot Line						
Setback from Rear Lot Line						
Setback from Side Lot Line						
Setback from Side Lot Line						
Height (m)						
Dimensions						
Floor Area						
Date of Construction						
Existing Use						

REASONS FOR REQUEST

Please describe the reasons for, and the extent of, the request:

ACCESS

Are the subject lands accessible by:

- Provincial Highway
- Municipal Road (seasonal maintenance)
- Municipal Road (year-round maintenance)
- Right of Way
- Unopened Road Allowance
- Water Access
- Other (describe) _____

SERVICING

	<u>Municipal</u>	<u>Private</u>	<u>Other</u>
Water Supply	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sewage Disposal	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Frontage on Road	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Storm drainage provided by: Sewer Ditch Swale Other: (describe) _____

OTHER APPLICATIONS

Are the subject lands also the subject of another Planning Act application? Yes No

If yes, please provide a brief explanation, including the status of the other application: Sewerance

Have these lands been the subject of an application under Section 34 of *The Planning Act* (rezoning)? yes no

If yes, please provide a brief explanation: _____

DRAWING

Sketch required showing the following: (see attached survey drawing)

- Lot boundaries and dimensions of the subject land;
- The location, size and type of all existing and proposed buildings and structures on the subject land, indicating the distance of the building or structures from the front yard lot line, rear yard lot line and side yard lot lines;
- Major features on the subject land and on the surrounding land. Examples include: buildings, railways, roads, watercourses, drainage ditches, river or stream banks, wetlands, wooded areas, wells and septic tanks;
- The current uses on land that is adjacent to the subject land;
- The location, width and name of any road allowance, a public travelled road, a private road or a right-of-way;
- If access to the subject land is by water only, the location of the parking and docking facilities to be used; and
- The location and nature of any easement affecting the subject land.



PERMISSION TO ENTER

I hereby authorize the Elected Members of Town Council and Town Staff, to enter upon the subject lands and premises for the limited purpose of evaluating the merits of this Application. This is their authority for doing so.

12/15/25.
Date

Lorrie Bennett
Signature of Registered Owner(s) or Agent

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

I hereby provide authority for any information contained in this Application, to be released in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

12/15/25.
Date

Lorrie Bennett
Signature of Registered Owner(s) or Agent

PAYMENT OF FEE AND DEPOSIT (As per the Current Fees and Charges By-law)

- Application Fee
- Residential DEPOSIT Fee
- Commercial/Industrial/Institutional DEPOSIT Fee

COST ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The DEPOSIT shall be used for all expenses incurred with regard to this Application. I hereby agree to pay for and bear the *entire cost and expense* for Consultants (i.e. planning, legal) and their services required by the Town of Kearney during the processing of this Application, in addition to the Application Fee. An additional deposit shall be required if the deposit is insufficient to complete the Application.

12/15/25
Date

Lorrie Bennett
Signature of Registered Owner(s) or Agent

Note: All Invoices for payment shall be sent to the Registered Owner of this Application, unless otherwise requested.

AFFIDAVIT

I, LORRIE BENNETT, registered owner of the subject lands, declare that all of the above information is true and accurate.
(print name)

12/15/25.
Date

Lorrie Bennett
Signature of Registered Owner(s) or Agent

For Office Use Only

Certified by Cindy, that this application has undergone a pre-consultation with the Staff of the Town of Kearney to determine the information required to prepare a complete application.

Application Fee Paid

Staff Initials: CF

**PLAN OF SURVEY
OF PART OF LOT 8, CONCESSION 7
GEOGRAPHIC TOWNSHIP OF BETHUNE
NOW IN THE TOWN OF KEARNEY
DISTRICT OF PARRY SOUND
KPK SURVEYING INC.
2023**

SCHEDULE			
PART	LOT	CONCESSION	AREA
1			15295 SQ
2			14879 SQ
3	PART OF 2	7	1812 SQ
4			6267 SQ
5			191 SQ
6			6200 SQ

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SCALE 1 : 1250
THE REFERRED ASSESSOR'S MAP IS SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ACT REGARDING THE ASSESSMENT OF LAND IN A TOWN OF PARRY SOUND



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**NOTICE OF COMPLETE APPLICATION AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
PROPOSED BY-LAW TO AMEND ZONING BY-LAW 2022-20**

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Town of Kearney has deemed application **RZ-06-25 (BENNETT)** to amend the Town Zoning By-law(s) to be a “Complete” Application under Subsection 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13.

AND TAKE NOTICE THAT the Corporation of the Town of Kearney will be holding a Public Meeting pursuant to Section 34 (12),(13),(14) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13 as amended, to consider an Amendment to Zoning By-law No. 2022-20, as amended. **The Public Meeting will be held in-person on Thursday, February 26th, 2026 at 6:00pm during the regular Council Meeting, and will also be available electronically, through the Town’s website at <https://www.townofkearney.ca/PublicNotices>.**

A copy of the proposed draft By-law, a copy of this notice and any additional information and material about the proposed By-law will be available to the public for inspection at the Municipal Office during regular office hours. Anyone wishing to address Council with respect to the proposal may do so at the Public Meeting. Persons unable to attend the Public Meeting may provide written comments to Council up until the time of the Public Meeting.

Purpose of the By-law

The purpose of the proposed zoning by-law amendment is to rezone portions of the lands described as 1046 ECHO RIDGE ROAD; PT LT 8, CON 7, BETHUNE; PLAN 42R-21960 PART 2; TOWN OF KEARNEY

Being portions of the lands described with Assessment Roll #4918-020-001-10504, in the Geographic Township of Bethune, now in the Town of Kearney, from the Tourist Commercial (CT) Zone to the Rural Residential (RR) Zone, to a site-specific Tourist Commercial-XX (CT-XX) Zone, and to the Hazard Lands (HZ) Zone.

Effect of the By-law

The effect of the amendment is to rezone the subject lands to permit future residential development. The rezoning is required as a condition of consent approval for Consent Files B-040-25 and B-041-25.

Additional Statements

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Kearney before the by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Council of the Town of Kearney to the Ontario Land Tribunal.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Kearney before the by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

Notwithstanding the above, subsection 34(19) of the Planning Act defines the parties that are eligible to appeal the decision to the Ontario Land Tribunal.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Council of the Town of Kearney on the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment, you must make a written request to the Town of Kearney at the address below. For more information about this matter, including information about preserving your appeal rights, contact:

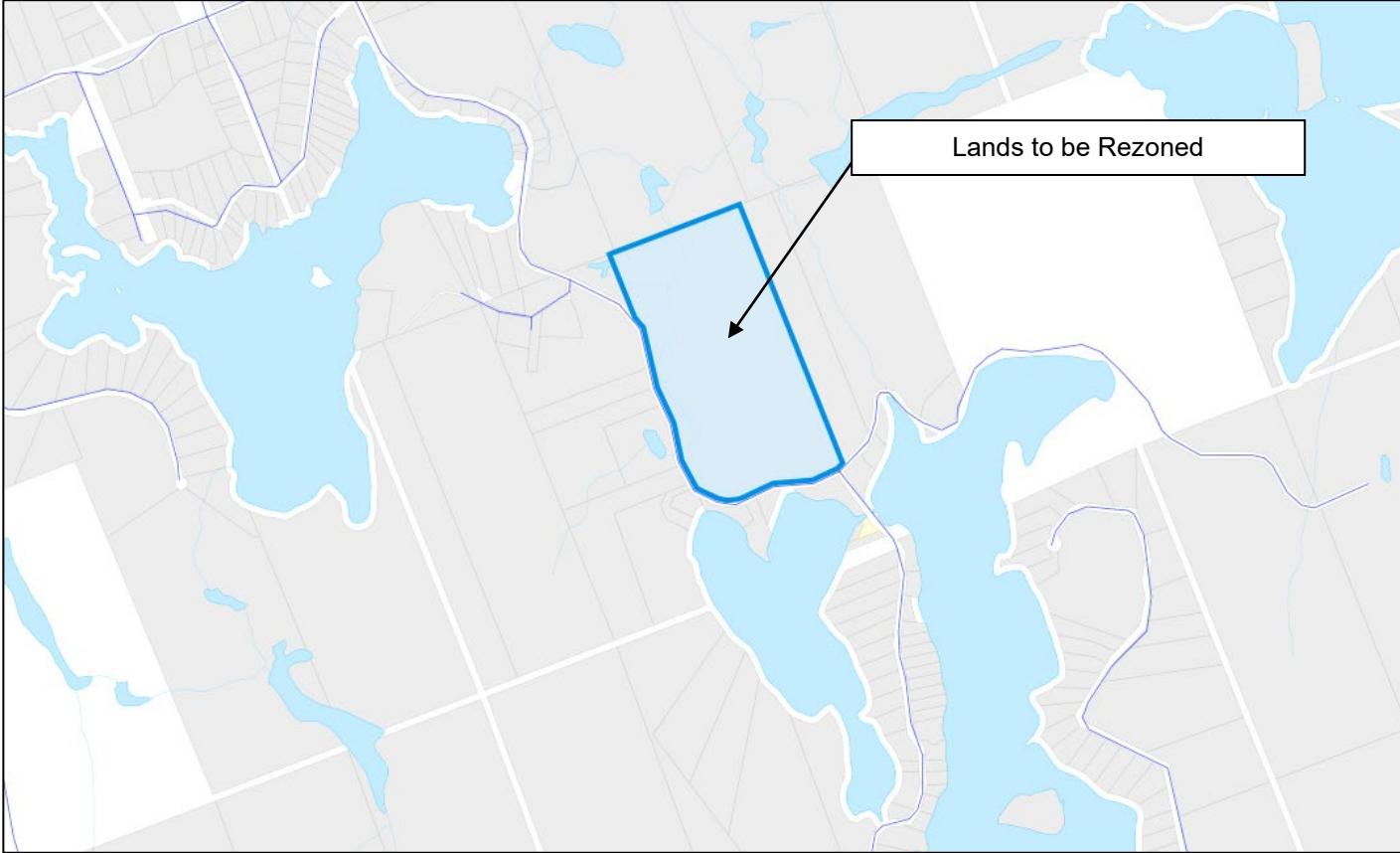
**Town of Kearney
P.O. Box 38, 8 Main Street
Kearney, Ontario P0A 1M0**

**Telephone: (705) 636-7752
Fax: (705) 636-0527
Email: admin@townofkearney.ca**

Dated at the Town of Kearney this 23rd day of January, 2026.

Lands Affected by the By-law

The lands affected by this By-law are shown in the key map below.



1046 Echo Ridge Road; Plan 42R-21960, Part 2; Part of Lot 8, Concession 7, Bethune
Town of Kearney, District of Parry Sound

Report to Council

To: Mayor and Council, Town of Kearney

From: Kent Randall and Jessica Rae Reid (EcoVue Consulting Services Inc.)
Town Planning Consultants

Subject: Application for Zoning By-law Amendment
RZ-06-25 (Bennett)

File: 1046 Echo Ridge Road
Part of Lot 8, Concession 7, Town of Kearney (Bethune)
EcoVue Project No: 25-2095-14

Date: February 20, 2026

Recommendation

It is recommended that Council receive the report dated February 20, 2026 from EcoVue Consulting Services regarding application RZ-06-25 (Bennett).

It is recommended that Council approve the proposed amendment to Zoning By-law No. 2022-20, which will have the following effects:

1. Rezone a portion of the subject lands from the Tourist Commercial (CT) Zone to the Rural Residential (RR) Zone, as a condition of SEPSDPB Consent Files B-040-25 and B-041-25;
2. Rezone a portion of the subject lands from the Tourist Commercial (CT) Zone to the Rural (RU) Zone, as a condition of SEPSDPB Consent Files B-040-25 and B-041-25; and
3. Rezone portions of the subject lands from the Tourist Commercial (CT) Zone to the Hazard Lands (HZ) Zone, which recognizes the natural hazard features identified in the Scoped Environmental Impact Study

completed by RiverStone Environmental Solutions Inc., dated December 8, 2025 and the Floodplain Analysis completed by Duke Engineering, dated December 8, 2025.

Subject Lands

The lands subject to this application are known municipally as 1046 Echo Ridge Road and is legally known as located in Part of Lot 8, Concession 7, in the Geographic Township of Bethune, now in the Town of Kearney.

The subject lands currently contain an office building and residential dwelling, which serve as the administrative office and manager’s quarters for Bennett’s Beehive Cottages, a Tourist Commercial development located on the south side of Echo Ridge Road (known municipally as 1047 Echo Ridge Road). It is proposed that these uses will remain on the retained parcel; the proposed severances are unrelated to the existing Tourist Commercial development located at 1047 Echo Ridge Road. The proposed severed lots are currently vacant.

A summary of the lands proposed to be rezoned are as follows:

	Severed Lot #1	Severed Lot #2	Retained Lands
Lot Area	~1.6 hectares (3.95 acres)	~15.5 hectares (38.3 acres)	~14.7 hectares (36.32 acres)
Lot Frontage	> 200 metres on Echo Ridge	57.63 metres on Echo Ridge Road	> 100 metres on Echo Ridge Road
Lot Depth	> 700 metres	Min: ~245 metres Max: ~285 metres	> 700 metres
Current Zone	Tourist Commercial (CT) Zone and Hazard Lands (HZ)	Tourist Commercial (CT) Zone	Tourist Commercial (CT) Zone and Hazard Lands (HZ)
Current Uses	Vacant	Vacant	Tourist Commercial
Proposed Uses	Residential	Residential	Tourist Commercial
Existing Buildings/ Structures	N/A	N/A	Dwelling; Tourist Commercial Office (Beehive Cottages)
Proposed Buildings/ Structures	TBD; Residential	TBD; Residential	None
Road Access	Echo Ridge Road	Echo Ridge Road	Echo Ridge Road via existing driveway

SEPSDPB Consent File Nos.	B-040-25	B-041-25	N/A
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Purpose of Application

The Zoning By-law amendment (ZBA) application will have the effect of rezoning the subject lands from the Tourist Commercial (CT) to the Rural Residential (RR), Rural (RU), and Hazard Lands (HZ) Zone, as a condition of final approval for Consent File Nos. B-040-25 and B-041-25. The RR and RU Zones will recognize the proposed future residential uses on each of the severed parcels; the HZ Zone will apply to the natural hazard features identified in the Scoped Environmental Impact Study completed by RiverStone Environmental Solutions Inc., dated December 8, 2025 and the Floodplain Analysis completed by Duke Engineering, dated December 8, 2025.

Pre-Consultation with the Town of Kearney

The applicant submitted a Pre-Consultation application to the Town of Kearney in June 2023, which proposed the aforementioned Applications for Consent.

In summary, the Town’s Planning Consultants were supportive of the Consents and subsequent Zoning By-law Amendments to permit future residential development, so long as the submitted amendment recognize any natural hazard features through the Hazard Lands (HZ) Zone and provided all other provisions of the Zoning By-law are being met. The Consultants requested a Scoped Environmental Impact Study, as well as a Floodplain Analysis, to support the proposed severances on the subject lands.

The Planning Consultants have reviewed the application, and the submitted Scoped Environmental Impact Study completed by RiverStone Environmental Solutions Inc., and the Floodplain Analysis completed by Duke Engineering, both items dated December 8, 2025, and can confirm that the findings from the June 2023 Pre-Consultation summary can still be supported.

Analysis

Provincial Planning Statement (2024)

The subject lands are not located within a settlement area and are therefore subject to Section 2.5 (Rural Areas in Municipalities) and 2.6 (Rural Lands in Municipalities) of the Provincial Planning Statement, 2024 (PPS). Specifically, Section 2.6.1 outlines permitted uses on *rural lands*, which includes “*b) resource-based recreational uses (including recreational dwellings not intended as permanent residences); [...]*”.

The proposed ZBA is required as a condition of consents to create two (2) new rural/residential lots. The proposed use of the new lots will be appropriate for the surrounding rural and residential characteristic of the area as the Rural Residential (RR) and Rural (RU) Zones allow for a single-detached dwelling and ancillary (i.e. accessory) structures. The RR and RU Zones regulations will ensure that future development on the severed lands will be similar in size and massing compared to other parcels on Echo Ridge Road and the surrounding rural area.

Policies contain in Section 4.1 of the PPS prohibit development and site alteration within, or on lands adjacent to natural heritage features including, but not limited to: wetlands, significant wildlife habitat, fish habitat, etc. Development or site alteration is only permitted if it has been determined that there will be no negative impact on these features.

According to the available Provincial mapping of the subject lands, there is a watercourse located within proposed Severed Lot #1 and #2, as well as a number of wetlands on Severed Lot #1 and the Retained Lands. As such, there is potential for fish habitat to exist near the proposed development.

Applicable policies from Section 4.1 of the PPS are included below (non-applicable policies have been omitted):

4.1.4 Development and site alteration shall not be permitted in: a) significant wetlands in Ecoregions 5E, 6E and 7E1; and [...]

4.1.5 Development and site alteration shall not be permitted in: a) significant wetlands in the Canadian Shield north of Ecoregions 5E, 6E and 7E; b) [...]; c) [...]; d) significant wildlife habitat; e) significant areas of natural and scientific interest; and f)[...],

unless it has been demonstrated that there will be no negative impacts on the natural features or their ecological functions.

4.1.6 Development and site alteration shall not be permitted in fish habitat except in accordance with provincial and federal requirements.

4.1.7 Development and site alteration shall not be permitted in habitat of endangered species and threatened species, except in accordance with provincial and federal requirements.

4.1.8 Development and site alteration shall not be permitted on adjacent lands to the natural heritage features and areas identified in policies 4.1.4, 4.1.5, and 4.1.6 unless the ecological function of the adjacent lands has been evaluated and it has been demonstrated that there will be no negative impacts on the natural features or on their ecological functions.

As stated, the applicants provided a Scoped Environmental Impact Study and a Floodplain Analysis in support of the consent applications in order to confirm if there is sufficient developable areas on each proposed lot. The submitted technical reports recommend a minimum 30 metre setback from any wetland or watercourse on each severed lot, which will ensure protection of any potential habitat. Additionally, and discussed later in this Section, these lands are proposed to be zoned to the HZ Zone to prohibit any future development within the features or their buffers. As such, it is our opinion that the proposed rezoning is consistent with Section 4.1 of the PPS.

Chapter 5 of the PPS speaks to natural and human-made hazards. Section 5.2 states that “[d]evelopment shall generally be directed [...] to areas outside of: [...] b) hazardous lands adjacent to river, stream and small inland lake systems which are impacted by flooding hazards and/or erosion hazards; [...]”.

According to Schedule ‘C’ of the Town of Kearney Official Plan, the lands are designated ‘Flood Plain Overlay Based on Aerial Interpretation’. These lands have been identified as having the potential to contain natural hazards (i.e. floodplain lands). As stated above, the submitted Floodplain Analysis accurately identifies the floodplain on the subject lands and recommends a 30-metre setback from the watercourse. The Analysis confirms that each severed lot contains sufficient developable area beyond the recommended 30-metre setback to accommodate a residential dwelling and associated private septic and well.

Therefore, it is our opinion that the ZBA is consistent with Chapter 5 of the PPS.

Town of Kearney Official Plan

Policies related to the Rural designation are contained in Section 4.0 of the TKOP. Within this designation, Section 4.2.1 states that although the Rural area is not intended to be the primary focus for development, *“a variety of land uses will be permitted such as limited rural residential, limited commercial, limited industrial, and limited outdoor recreation uses which are sustainable.”* Subsection 4.2.2a. goes on to state that *“[t]he following uses are permitted within the Rural designation [...] single detached residential dwellings; [...]”*. As such, the future residential use on each of the severed lots is permitted under the Rural designation.

Notwithstanding, Section 4.2.2.3f. states that *“[r]ural residential development should be directed to areas where residential development exists or would be compatible, and should not be located in remote, undeveloped areas or in close proximity to: [...] natural heritage features and areas where the policies of the Natural Environment and Area will not be satisfied.”*

A portion of the subject lands are proposed to be rezoned to the Hazard Lands (HZ) Zone in order to identify existing natural heritage features and natural hazards in order to prevent development within or in close proximity to these areas. Through the implementation of recommended setbacks, it is our opinion that the proposed rezoning conforms with this policy.

Speaking to the retained lands, the Rural designation permits Tourist Commercial uses *“as a means of expanding the tourism sector and providing increased recreational opportunities.”* Currently, the retained lands contain a management office and residential dwelling which serve Beehive Cottages, a Tourist Commercial development on the south side of Echo Ridge Road. It is our opinion that the use occurring on the retained lands is permitted in the Rural designation and no amendment is required to continue this use.

Based on the above, it is our opinion that the proposed rezoning conforms to the policies of the Town of Kearney Official Plan.

Town of Kearney Zoning By-law No. 2022-20

According to Schedule ‘A’ of the Town of Kearney Zoning By-law the entirety of the subject property is currently within the Tourist Commercial (CT) or Hazard Lands (HZ) Zone. As stated, the applicants have submitted this ZBA application as a condition of Consent Files No. B-040-25 and B-041-25.

Severed Lands

The severed lands are currently zoned CT and/or HZ. The CT Zone requires a minimum lot area of 1.6 hectares, and minimum lot frontage on a municipally-maintained road or 60.0 metres. However, the CT Zone does not permit residential uses in the form of a single detached dwelling. As such, the severed lands are required to be rezoned to the RU and/or RR Zones.

Section 4.4.3 of the TKZBL states that the RU Zone requires a minimum lot area of 10.0 hectares with 60.0 metres of frontage on a municipally maintained road. Severed Lot #1 will meet or exceed these minimum regulations, while Severed Lot #2 will be deficient in both area and lot frontage.

Therefore, the severed lands will need to be rezoned as follows:

1. Severed Lot #1 be rezoned to the RU Zone, which has a minimum lot area of 10.0 hectares and a minimum lot frontage of 60.0 metres.
2. Severed Lot #2 be rezoned to the RR Zone, which has a minimum lot area of 0.8 hectares (2 acres) and a minimum lot frontage of 60.0 metres.

Retained Lands

Additionally, it is proposed that the retained lands remain in the Tourist Commercial (CT) Zone, which will continue to reflect the existing use on the subject lands.

Notwithstanding, the applicant will be required to review the Special Provisions of 4.7.4 as they relate to landscaping on lands abutting residential zones, as the retained lands will be required to buffer from the new residential zones.

Hazard Lands (HZ) Zone

The proposed rezoning includes lands which will be rezoned from CT to HZ in order to identify observed natural hazard features.

The HZ Zone does not have a minimum lot area or frontage. As such, it is proposed that the HZ Zone recognize the floodplain features identified in the Scoped Environmental Impact Study completed by RiverStone Environmental

Solutions Inc., dated December 8, 2025 and the Floodplain Analysis completed by Duke Engineering, dated December 8, 2025.

Summary

As such it is our opinion that the proposed ZBA complies with the intent of the Town of Kearney Comprehensive Zoning By-law No. 2022-20.

Budget Implications

The Zoning By-law Amendment application was submitted with the application fee of \$650.00 + HST and the deposit fee of 1,200.00.


Next Steps

Once a decision has been made by Council, the decision will be in an appeal period for 20 days.

Notice and Communications

Public Notices for the Zoning By-law Amendment applications are issued by the Town. Notice of Complete Application and Public Meeting has been circulated to neighbouring properties within 120 metres of the subject lands, as well as the applicable agencies.

Respectfully Submitted,
ECOVUE CONSULTING SERVICES INC.



J. Kent Randall B.E.S. MCIP RPP
Town Planning Consultant

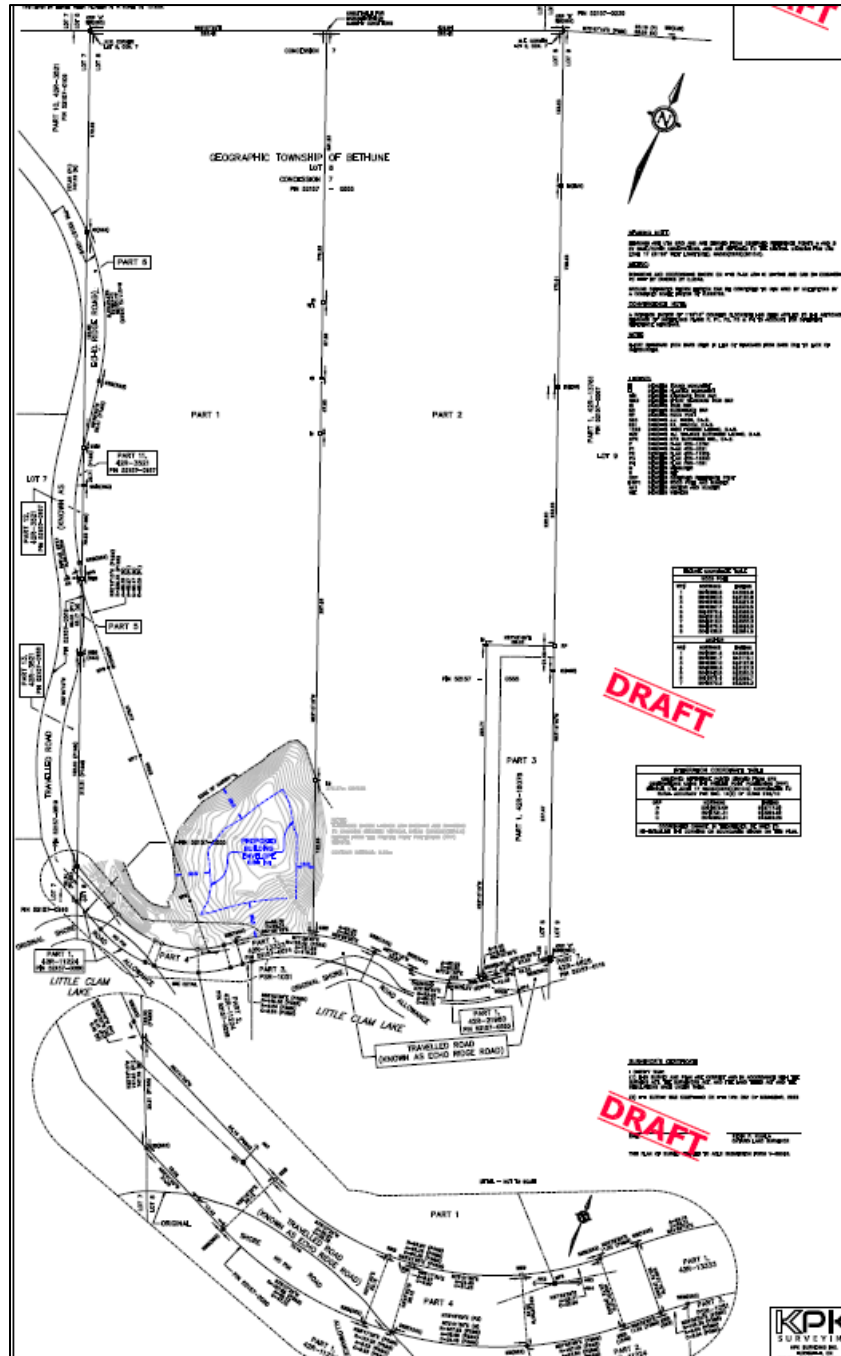




Jessica Rae Reid, B.A
Town Planning Consultant

Lands Affected by the By-law

The lands affected by this By-law are shown in the key map below.



1046 Echo Ridge Road; Part of Lot 8, Concession 7, Bethune
Town of Kearney, District of Parry Sound

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF KEARNEY**

BY-LAW NO. 2026-XX

Being a By-law under the provisions of Sections 34 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended, to amend By-law No. 2022-20, as amended, the Town of Kearney Zoning By-law, with respect to lands described as PT LT 8, CON 7 BETHUNE; RP 42R21960 PART 2 PCL 12807; KEARNEY. Being a portion of the lands described with ARN #4918-020-001-10504, in the Geographic Township of Bethune, now in the Town of Kearney.

WHEREAS By-law No. 2022-20 was passed under the authority of Section 34 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended, and regulates the use of land and the use and erection of buildings and structures within the Town of Kearney;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Town of Kearney conducted a public meeting in regard of the subject application as required by Section 34(12) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, as amended;

AND WHEREAS Section 34 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, permits Council to pass an amending Zoning By-law, and the Council of the Town of Kearney deems it advisable to amend By-law No. 2022-20 with respect to the lands described in this By-law;

AND WHEREAS the matters herein are in conformity with the provisions of the Official Plan of the Town of Kearney;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Town of Kearney hereby enacts as follows:

1. THAT By-law No. 2022-20, as amended, is hereby amended as follows:

- a) Map No. 1 of Schedule “A” of By-law No. 2022-20 is hereby amended by changing the zone category of certain lands located in described as; PT LT 8, CON 7 BETHUNE; RP 42R21960 PART 2 PCL 12807; KEARNEY. Being a portion of the lands described with ARN #4918-020-001-10504, in the Geographic Township of Bethune, now in the Town of Kearney, from the Tourist Commercial (CT) Zone to the Rural Residential (RR) Zone as shown on Schedule “A” attached hereto and forming part of this By-law.
- b) Map No. 1 of Schedule “A” of By-law No. 2022-20 is hereby amended by changing the zone category of certain lands located in described as; PT LT 8, CON 7 BETHUNE; RP 42R21960 PART 2 PCL 12807; KEARNEY. Being a portion of the lands described with ARN #4918-020-001-10504, in the Geographic Township of Bethune, now in the Town of Kearney, from the Tourist

Commercial (CT) Zone to the Rural (RU) Zone as shown on Schedule “A” attached hereto and forming part of this By-law.

- c) Map No. 1 of Schedule “A” of By-law No. 2022-20 is hereby amended by changing the zone category of certain lands located in described as; PT LT 8, CON 7 BETHUNE; RP 42R21960 PART 2 PCL 12807; KEARNEY. Being a portion of the lands described with ARN #4918-020-001-10504, in the Geographic Township of Bethune, now in the Town of Kearney, from the Tourist Commercial (CT) Zone to the Hazard Lands (HZ) Zone, as shown on Schedule “A” attached hereto and forming part of this By-law.
2. This By-law shall become effective on the date that it is passed by the Council of the Town of Kearney, subject to the provisions of Section 34 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, as amended.
 3. The Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to proceed with the giving of notice under Section 34(18) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, as amended.

READ a first and second time this 19th day of March, 2026.

READ a third time and finally passed this 19th day of March, 2026.

Mayor

Clerk



Town of Kearney

PLANNING DEPARTMENT APPLICATION FORM

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Official Plan Amendment | <input type="checkbox"/> Minor Variance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning By-law Amendment | <input type="checkbox"/> Consent/Severance |

A Meeting with Town Staff is required prior to the submission of a Planning Department Application.
An Application does not imply or suggest any decision on behalf of Town Staff or the Corporation of the Town of Kearney.
 Applicants are required to post NOTICE of the Public Meeting that is the subject of the Application.
 Members of Council, Town Staff and Town Consultants may conduct a site inspection(s) of the subject land(s).
 By submitting an Application, you acknowledge and authorize access for the purpose of conducting the required site inspection.
Only complete Applications will be processed.

REGISTERED OWNER INFORMATION:

Name of Owner(s): JEFF RUSNAK
 Address: 1276 COUNTY RD 31
ST. JOACHIM, ON NOR-150
 Telephone: 519-984-6177
 Email: jrussnak71@gmail.com

AGENT INFORMATION (if applicable):

Name of Agent: _____
 Company/Firm: _____
 Address: _____
 Telephone: _____ Email: _____

CORRESPONDENCE: Please specify to whom all correspondence should be sent: Owner Agent Both

LOCATION OF PROPERTY:

Lot: 25 Conc.: _____ Township: _____ Reference Plan: 277 Part/Block/Lot: 277
 Property Roll No.: 4918 - 020 - 007 - 01400 - 0000
 Civic Address: 112 OSTICK DR. KEARNEY, ON
 Water Access only: _____
 (Name of Waterbody)

MORTGAGES, CHARGES OR OTHER ENCUMBRANCES

Name: _____
 Mailing Address: _____
 Name: _____
 Mailing Address: _____

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT LANDS:

Lot area (ha): _____ Lot Road Frontage (m): _____ Water Frontage (m): 29
 Lot Depth (m): 140 Easements/Right-of-ways: Yes No If yes, describe purpose: _____
 Existing Use of Property: COTTAGE FOR FAMILY.

PAST PLANNING ACT APPLICATIONS:

Are you aware of any previous Planning Act applications on the subject property? Yes No If Yes, please explain:
 Type of application(s): Application To Purchase Shore Allowance
 Date(s): _____

OFFICIAL PLAN / ZONING STATUS:

Official Plan designation: _____
 Zoning designation: _____

What is the proposed future use of the subject lands : Family Dwelling / Cottage
To

BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND USES

Please complete the following for each Building or Structure:

	Building One		Building Two		Building Three	
	Existing	Proposed	Existing	Proposed	Existing	Proposed
Type of Building	<u>GARAGE</u>		<u>BUNKIE</u>		<u>GAZEBO</u>	
Setback from Front Lot Line						
Setback from Rear Lot Line						
Setback from Side Lot Line						
Setback from Side Lot Line						
Height (m)						
Dimensions						
Floor Area	<u>110m²</u>		<u>10m²</u>		<u>4m²</u>	
Date of Construction						
Existing Use						

REASONS FOR REQUEST

Please describe the reasons for, and the extent of, the request:

I would like to build a family cottage/dwelling possibly live full-time in 2 years when we retire. 20m setback is very important as I will not have room to build anything with a 30m setback because of garage already built.

ACCESS

Are the subject lands accessible by:

- Provincial Highway
- Municipal Road (seasonal maintenance)
- Municipal Road (year-round maintenance)
- Right of Way
- Unopened Road Allowance
- Water Access
- Other (describe) _____

SERVICING

- | | <u>Municipal</u> | <u>Private</u> | <u>Other</u> |
|------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Water Supply | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Sewage Disposal | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Frontage on Road | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Storm drainage provided by: Sewer Ditch Swale Other: (describe) _____

OTHER APPLICATIONS

Are the subject lands also the subject of another Planning Act application? Yes No

If yes, please provide a brief explanation, including the status of the other application: SHORE ALLOWANCE PURCHASE

Have these lands been the subject of an application under Section 34 of *The Planning Act* (rezoning)? yes no

If yes, please provide a brief explanation: _____

DRAWING

Sketch required showing the following:

- Lot boundaries and dimensions of the subject land;
- The location, size and type of all existing and proposed buildings and structures on the subject land, indicating the distance of the building or structures from the front yard lot line, rear yard lot line and side yard lot lines;
- Major features on the subject land and on the surrounding land. Examples include: buildings, railways, roads, watercourses, drainage ditches, river or stream banks, wetlands, wooded areas, wells and septic tanks;
- The current uses on land that is adjacent to the subject land;
- The location, width and name of any road allowance, a public travelled road, a private road or a right-of-way;
- If access to the subject land is by water only, the location of the parking and docking facilities to be used; and
- The location and nature of any easement affecting the subject land.

PLEASE ATTACHED DRAFT FROM SURVEYOR. 1 & 2.

PERMISSION TO ENTER

I hereby authorize the Elected Members of Town Council and Town Staff, to enter upon the subject lands and premises for the limited purpose of evaluating the merits of this Application. This is their authority for doing so.

JUNE 19/25
Date

[Signature]
Signature of Registered Owner(s) or Agent

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

I hereby provide authority for any information contained in this Application, to be released in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

JUNE 19/25
Date

[Signature]
Signature of Registered Owner(s) or Agent

PAYMENT OF FEE AND DEPOSIT (As per the Current Fees and Charges By-law)

- Application Fee
- Residential DEPOSIT Fee
- Commercial/Industrial/Institutional DEPOSIT Fee

COST ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The DEPOSIT shall be used for all expenses incurred with regard to this Application. I hereby agree to pay for and bear the *entire cost and expense* for Consultants (i.e. planning, legal) and their services required by the Town of Kearney during the processing of this Application, in addition to the Application Fee. An additional deposit shall be required if the deposit is insufficient to complete the Application.

JUNE 19/25
Date

[Signature]
Signature of Registered Owner(s) or Agent

Note: All Invoices for payment shall be sent to the Registered Owner of this Application, unless otherwise requested.

AFFIDAVIT

I, JEFF RUSNAK, registered owner of the subject lands, declare that all of the above information is true and accurate.
(print name)

JUNE 19/25
Date

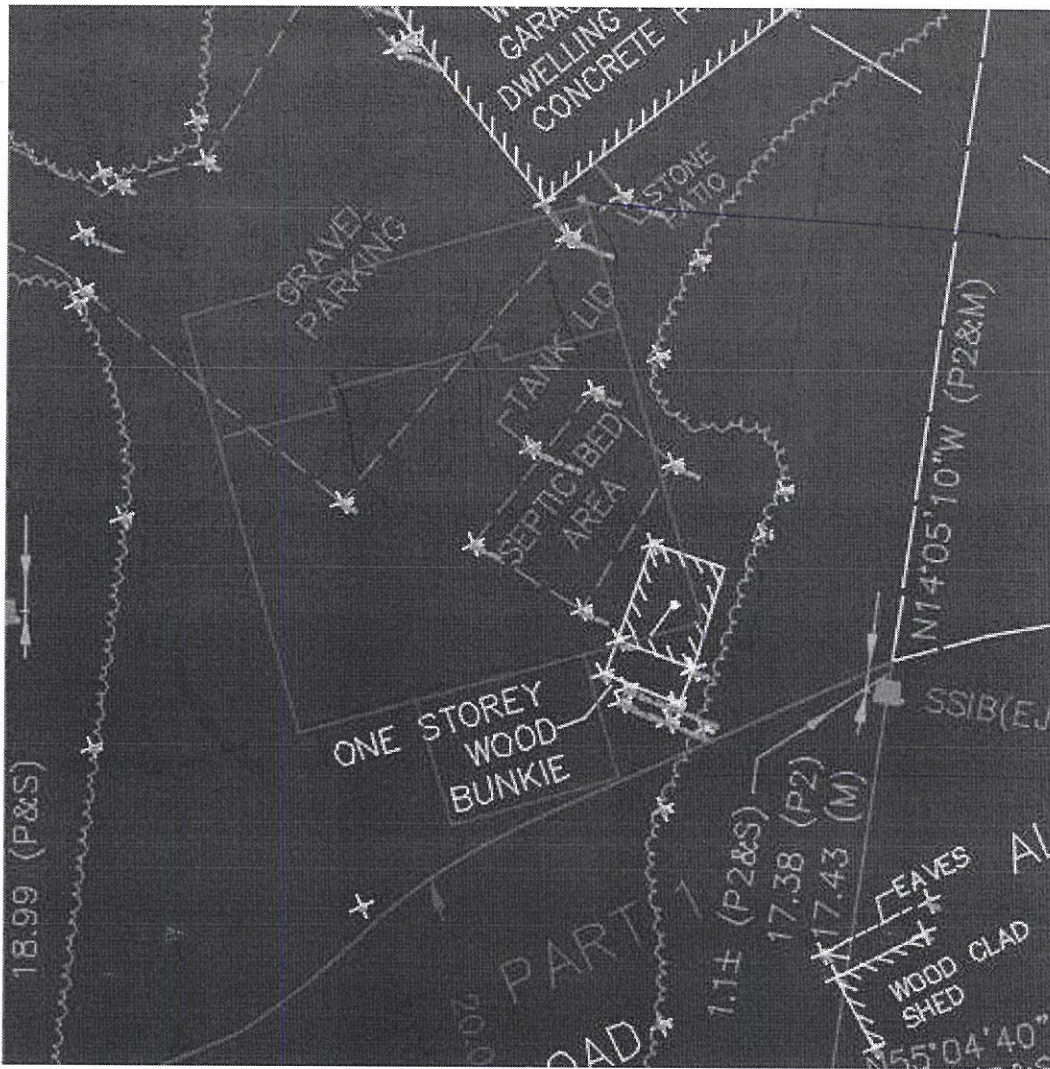
[Signature]
Signature of Registered Owner(s) or Agent

For Office Use Only

Application Fee Paid

Certified by _____, that this application has undergone a pre-consultation with the Staff of the Town of Kearney to determine the information required to prepare a complete application.

Staff Initials: _____



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SETBACK

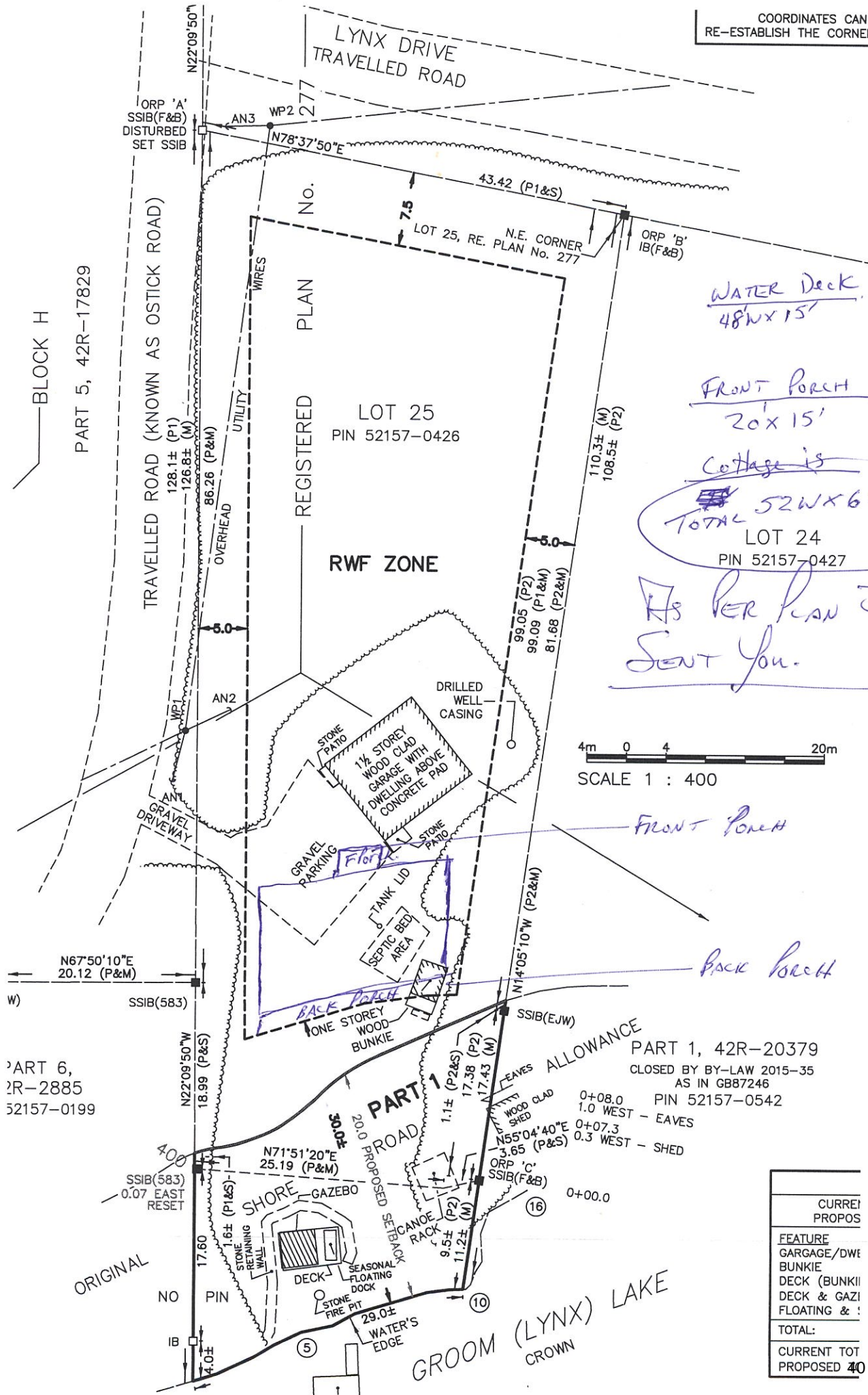
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Surveyor will RE DO.
To SHOW 20M VS 30M.

SURVEYOR, IS PLOTTING ANOTHER SKETCH
OF THE COTTAGE ON THE DRAFT.
I WILL SEND THIS SOON TO YOU TO RECEIVE.

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RE-ESTABLISH THE CORNER



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PART 5, 42R-17829

PART 6,
42R-2885
52157-0199

PART 1, 42R-20379
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AS IN GB87246
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**NOTICE OF COMPLETE APPLICATION AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
PROPOSED BY-LAW TO AMEND ZONING BY-LAW 2022-20**

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Town of Kearney has deemed application **RZ-04-25 (RUSNAK)** to amend the Town Zoning By-law(s) to be a “Complete” Application under Subsection 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13.

AND TAKE NOTICE THAT the Corporation of the Town of Kearney will be holding a Public Meeting pursuant to Section 34 (12),(13),(14) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13 as amended, to consider an Amendment to Zoning By-law No. 2022-20, as amended. **The Public Meeting will be held in-person on Thursday, February 26th, 2026 at 6:00pm during the regular Council Meeting, and will also be available electronically, through the Town’s website at <https://www.townofkearney.ca/PublicNotices>.**

A copy of the proposed draft By-law, a copy of this notice and any additional information and material about the proposed By-law will be available to the public for inspection at the Municipal Office during regular office hours. Anyone wishing to address Council with respect to the proposal may do so at the Public Meeting. Persons unable to attend the Public Meeting may provide written comments to Council up until the time of the Public Meeting.

Purpose of the By-law

The purpose of the proposed zoning by-law amendment is to rezone lands described as 112 OSTICK ROAD; PLAN 277 LOT 25; PT LT 8, CON 5, BETHUNE, TOWN OF KEARNEY

Being the lands described with Assessment Roll #4918-020-007-01400, in the Geographic Township of Bethune, now in the Town of Kearney, from the Residential Waterfront (RWF) Zone to a site-specific Residential Waterfront Exception-XX (RWF-XX) Zone.

Effect of the By-law

The effect of the amendment is to rezone the subject lands from the RWF Zone the RWF-XX Zone in order to permit the construction of a two-storey recreation dwelling with a water yard setback of 20.0 metres, where 30.0 metres is required by the Town of Kearney Zoning By-law.

The amendment will also seek to permit the existing recreational dwelling to be converted into an accessory detached garage, where:

- a guest cabin is to be located on the second storey; and
- the total ground floor area of 110.0 square metres for the proposed guest cabin, where the maximum permitted floor area of a guest cabin is 23.0 square metres in the Town of Kearney Zoning By-law.

Additional Statements

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Kearney before the by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Council of the Town of Kearney to the Ontario Land Tribunal.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Kearney before the by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

Notwithstanding the above, subsection 34(19) of the Planning Act defines the parties that are eligible to appeal the decision to the Ontario Land Tribunal.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Council of the Town of Kearney on the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment, you must make a written request to the Town of Kearney at the address below. For more information about this matter, including information about preserving your appeal rights, contact:

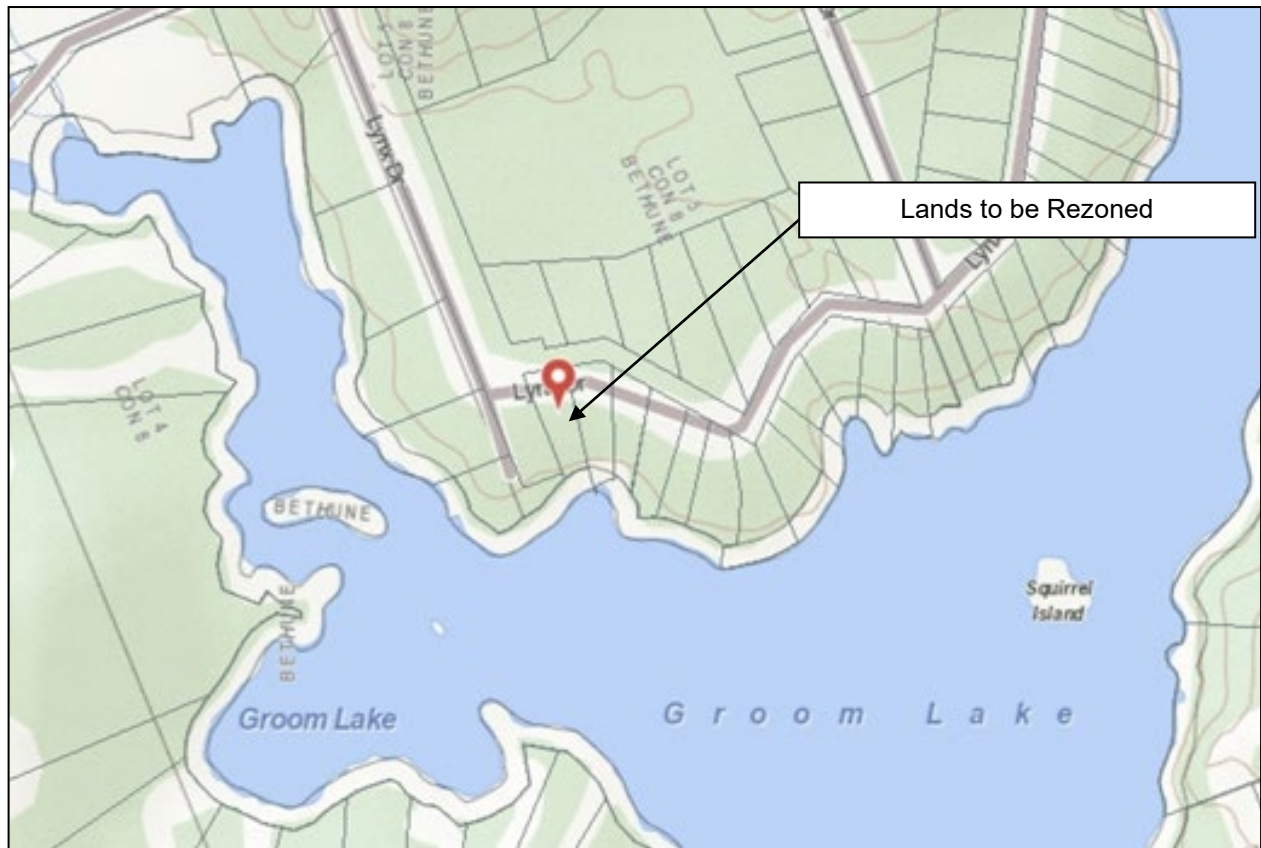
Town of Kearney
P.O. Box 38, 8 Main Street
Kearney, Ontario P0A 1M0

Telephone: (705) 636-7752
Fax: (705) 636-0527
Email: admin@townofkearney.ca

Dated at the Town of Kearney this 29th day of January, 2026.

Lands Affected by the By-law

The lands affected by this By-law are shown in the key map below.



112 Ostick Road; Plan 277, Lot 25; Part of Lot 8, Concession 5, Bethune
Town of Kearney, District of Parry Sound

Report to Council

To: Mayor and Council, Town of Kearney

From: Kent Randall and Jessica Rae Reid (EcoVue Consulting Services Inc.)
Town Planning Consultants

Subject: Application for Zoning By-law Amendment
RZ-04-25 (Rusnak)

File: 112 Ostick Road
Part of Lot 5, Concession 8, Town of Kearney (Bethune)
EcoVue Project No: 25-2095-04

Date: February 20, 2026

Recommendation

It is recommended that Council receive the report dated February 20, 2026 from EcoVue Consulting Services regarding application RZ-04-25 (Rusnak).

It is recommended that Council approve the proposed amendment to Zoning By-law No. 2022-20, which will rezone a portion of the subject lands from the Residential Waterfront (RWF) Zone to a site-specific Residential Waterfront Exception-XX (RWF-XX) Zone, in order to permit the proposed development.

Subject Lands

The lands subject to this application are known municipally at 112 Ostick Road and is legally known as located in Part of Lot 5, Concession 8, in the Geographic Township of Bethune, now in the Town of Kearney.

A summary of the lands proposed to be rezoned are as follows:

Subject Lands

Lot Area	~1.01 acres (4.09 hectares) TOTAL*
Lot Frontage	86.26 metres on Ostick Road, 43.42 metres on Lynx Drive and 25.2 metres on Groom Lake
Lot Depth	Min: ~110.3 metres Max: ~128.9 metres
Current Zone	Residential Waterfront (RWF)
Current Uses	Recreational/Residential
Proposed Uses	Recreational/Residential
Existing Buildings/Structures	One (1) 2-Storey Recreational Dwelling (to be converted)
Proposed Buildings/Structures	One (1) 1-Storey Recreational Dwelling (new) One (1) 2-Storey Detached Garage (converted from prev. dwelling)
Road Access	Ostick Road
SEPSDPB Consent File Nos.	N/A
*The applicant is currently undergoing the process to purchase the Shore Road Allowance (SRA); as such, lot area has been calculated to include the SRA.	

Purpose of Application

The Zoning By-law Amendment (ZBA) application has requested to rezone the subject lands from the Residential Waterfront (RWF) Zone to a site-specific Residential Waterfront (RWF) Zone. The amendment is being sought in order to permit the construction of a primary recreational dwelling on the subject lands. In order to accommodate the proposed dwelling, the following permissions are being proposed:

- The construction of a covered porch with a 20.0 metre water yard setback, where the Zoning By-law requires a 30.0 metre water yard setback; and
- An exterior side yard setback of 5.1 metres for the new recreational dwelling, where 10.0 metres is required.

The amendment will also permit the conversion the existing two-storey recreational dwelling into an accessory detached garage with accessory residential space on the top floor to be used as a cabin/bunkie. The proposed

bunkie space will exceed both the maximum height and maximum floor area for a sleeping cabin/bunkie as required in the Town of Kearney Zoning By-law as follows:

- Proposed maximum Building Height of 10.0 metres, where 6.0 metres is required; and
- Proposed floor area of 110.0 square metres, where the required maximum floor area for a private cabin/bunkie is 23.0 square metres.

Therefore, an amendment to the Town of Kearney Zoning By-law is required to rezone the subject lands in order to permit the proposed development.

Pre-Consultation with the Town of Kearney

The applicant submitted a Pre-Consultation application to the Town of Kearney in February 2025; a subsequent meeting was held with the applicant, Town Staff, and the Town's Planning Consultants in February 2025.

In summary, the Town's Planning Consultants were supportive of the Zoning By-law Amendment to permit the proposed reduction to the water yard setback and cabin/bunkie permissions, based on historical data and previous discussions submitted to the Town of Kearney. Since there are existing structures located within the municipal Shore Road Allowance (SRA), the Town also require that the SRA be purchased prior to this application being submitted.

The Planning Consultants have reviewed the application and can confirm that the findings from the February 2025 Pre-Consultation meeting can still be supported. It is also noted that the Shore Road Allowance purchase process is being undertaken by the property owner, in accordance with the discussions with Town staff. A draft survey was accepted by Town staff in November 2025; the Land Registry Office has accepted the survey as of January 2026.

Analysis

Provincial Planning Statement (2024)

The subject lands are not located within a settlement area and are therefore subject to Section 2.5 (Rural Areas in Municipalities) and 2.6 (Rural Lands in Municipalities) of the Provincial Planning Statement, 2024 (PPS).

Specifically, Section 2.6.1 outlines permitted uses on *rural lands*, which includes “*b) resource-based recreational uses (including recreational dwellings not intended as permanent residences); [...]*”.

The proposed ZBA is required in order to permit the site-specific provisions of the proposed residential development. The subject lands are appropriate for the surrounding rural/recreational and residential characteristic of the area as the site-specific Residential Waterfront (RWF) Zone will continue to allow for a single-detached dwelling and ancillary (i.e. accessory) structures. The proposed development on the subject lands is consistent in size and use compared to other parcels on Ostick Road, Lynx Drive, and the surrounding rural/waterfront area and are therefore locally appropriate.

Policies contain in Section 4.1 of the PPS prohibit development and site alteration within, or on lands adjacent to natural heritage features including, but not limited to: wetlands, significant wildlife habitat, fish habitat, etc. Development or site alteration is only permitted if it has been determined that there will be no negative impact on these features.

According to the available Provincial mapping of the subject lands, the subject lands are located on Groom Lake, which is considered a Cold Water Lake. As such, there is potential for fish habitat to exist near the proposed development.

Applicable policies from Section 4.1 of the PPS are included below (non-applicable policies have been omitted):

4.1.6 Development and site alteration shall not be permitted in fish habitat except in accordance with provincial and federal requirements.

4.1.7 Development and site alteration shall not be permitted in habitat of endangered species and threatened species, except in accordance with provincial and federal requirements.

4.1.8 Development and site alteration shall not be permitted on adjacent lands to the natural heritage features and areas identified in policies 4.1.4, 4.1.5, and 4.1.6 unless the ecological function of the adjacent lands has been evaluated and it has been demonstrated that there will be no negative impacts on the natural features or on their ecological functions.

As stated, the applicants are proposing to construct a new dwelling on the subject lands. Based on plans submitted to the Town of Kearney for review, the dwelling will be set back 30.0 metres from the water’s edge; the covered

deck will be located a maximum of 20.0 metres from the shoreline, and represents the only encroachment into the 30.0 metre setback.

It is the position of the Planning Consultant that the intended use of the covered deck is ancillary/accessory in nature; although encroaching into the water yard is strongly discouraged, the proposed 20.0 metre setback is not uniform across the entirety of the proposed deck; only a small portion of the deck (eastern corner) will be set back 20.0 metres from the shoreline. The west corner of the deck will be 25.5 metres from the shoreline. In our opinion, this represents a relatively minor decrease in the setback, particularly in the context of the existing development on and adjacent to the property.

As such, it is our opinion that the proposed rezoning conforms to the intent of Section 4.1 of the PPS.

Chapter 5 of the PPS speaks to natural and human-made hazards. Section 5.2 states that “[d]evelopment shall generally be directed [...] to areas outside of: [...] b) hazardous lands adjacent to river, stream and small inland lake systems which are impacted by flooding hazards and/or erosion hazards; [...]”.

Based on the available aerial imagery, there are no natural hazards within or adjacent to the subject lands. Further, there does not appear to be any history of uses on the property that would result in possible human-made hazards. As such, it is our opinion that the proposed application conforms with Chapter 5 of the PPS.

It is our opinion that, based on the above analysis, the proposed rezoning is consistent with the policies of the PPS.

Town of Kearney Official Plan

Policies related to the Shoreline designation are contained in Section 3.0 of the TKOP.

Within this designation, Section 3.3.2 states that “[l]ow-density residential development, with structures setback from the shoreline in order to achieve a natural appearance, is envisioned for the Shoreline designation.” Subsection 3.3.2.1 further states that “residential uses will be limited to single detached dwellings in the form of shoreline development and back lot development”.

It is our opinion that the amendment to permit the proposed development conforms to the policies of the Shoreline designation, as the proposed development will enhance the existing recreational/residential use

currently occurring on the subject lands without overcrowding the lot, and further will not significantly impact the natural appearance of the shoreline.

Section 6.4.4.1.5 states that development and site alteration shall be set back a minimum of 30 metres to a waterbody or watercourse. Decreases to the 30 metre setback may occur a fish habitat assessment has been completed as part of an EIS. It is our opinion that, a decrease in the 30 metre setback may occur on this property for two reasons:

1. There is existing site alteration and development within the 30 metre setback to the shoreline including a deck/gazebo; and
2. the dwelling itself will be set back 30 metres - the covered deck, which is ancillary/accessory to the proposed dwelling, will encroach 20 and 25.5 metres from the water's edge..

Based on the above, it is our opinion that the proposed rezoning conforms to the policies of the Town of Kearney Official Plan.

Town of Kearney Zoning By-law No. 2022-20

According to Schedule 'A' of the Town of Kearney Zoning By-law the entirety of the subject property is currently within the Residential Waterfront (RWF) Zone.

Residential Waterfront (RWF) Zone

Section 4.2.3 of the TKZBL states that the RWF Zone requires a minimum lot area of 0.4 hectares with 60.0 metres of frontage on a municipally maintained road. The subject lands are approximately 4.09 hectares (1.01 acres) with 86.26 metres on Ostick Road, 43.42 metres on Lynx Drive, and 25.2 metres on Groom Lake. As such, the subject lands meet the minimum lot standards of the RWF Zone.

Water Yard and Exterior Yard Setbacks

Notwithstanding the above, Section 4.2.3 also states that the minimum front yard (abutting a navigable waterway, further referred to as the 'water yard') setback required is 30.0 metres, and the required exterior side yard is 10.0 metres.

As stated, the applicant is requesting a 20.0 metre water yard setback to accommodate the proposed covered deck, and a 5.1 metre setback to accommodate the proposed dwelling.

Speaking to the proposed covered deck, Section 3.2.3 of the Town's Zoning By-law contains the list of permitted encroachments. However, only uncovered decks are permitted to encroach into the required yards. As such, the proposed covered deck is subject to the 30.0 metre water yard setback of the RWF Zone.

Based on the understanding that the covered deck will be ancillary to the proposed dwelling, and that the dwelling maintains the 30.0 metre setback from the water's edge, it is our opinion that the amendment can be supported.

Speaking to the requested exterior side yard reduction, based on the submitted plans, and to limit any further clearing of the site, a reduced side yard is being requested. It is our opinion that, this reduction will not negatively impact the any adjacent land uses.

Private Cabin/Bunkie Provisions

According to Section 3.2.7 of the Town's Zoning By-law, "[w]here a guest cabin is permitted on a lot the following provisions shall apply:

- i) *no cooking facilities are located in the building;*
- ii) *the building may be connected to a sewage system or pressurized water system subject to North Bay – Mattawa Conservation Authority and Building Department approvals;*
- iii) ***the building has a maximum ground floor area of 23 square metres;***
- iv) ***the building has a height not greater than 6.0 metres; and,***
- v) *the building complies with all of the setbacks that apply to the principal building on the lot."*

As stated, amendments are being sought to the above-noted provisions. Given that the proposed bunkie use will take place entirely within an existing structure and no further alterations are being proposed, the proposed increased floor area and height will meet the intent of the Zoning By-law and will not impact adjacent lands. The applicant will be required to obtain a permit for a septic system that can support the proposed dwelling and converted bunkie.

Based on the above, it is our recommendation that the subject lands be placed into a site-specific Residential Waterfront Exception-XX (RWF-XX) Zone, which captures all above-noted deficiencies.

Summary

As such it is our opinion that the proposed ZBA complies with the intent of the Town of Kearney Comprehensive Zoning By-law No. 2022-20.

Budget Implications

The Zoning By-law Amendment application was submitted with the application fee of \$650.00 + HST and the deposit fee of 1,200.00.

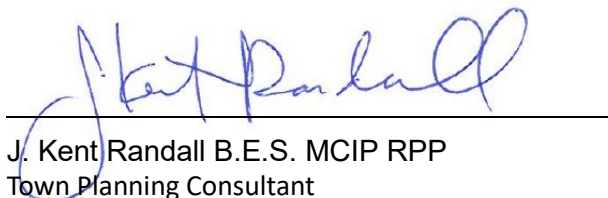
Next Steps

Once a decision has been made by Council, the decision will be in an appeal period for 20 days.

Notice and Communications

Public Notices for the Zoning By-law Amendment applications are issued by the Town. Notice of Complete Application and Public Meeting has been circulated to neighbouring properties within 120 metres of the subject lands, as well as the applicable agencies.

Respectfully Submitted,
ECOVUE CONSULTING SERVICES INC.



J. Kent Randall B.E.S. MCIP RPP
Town Planning Consultant





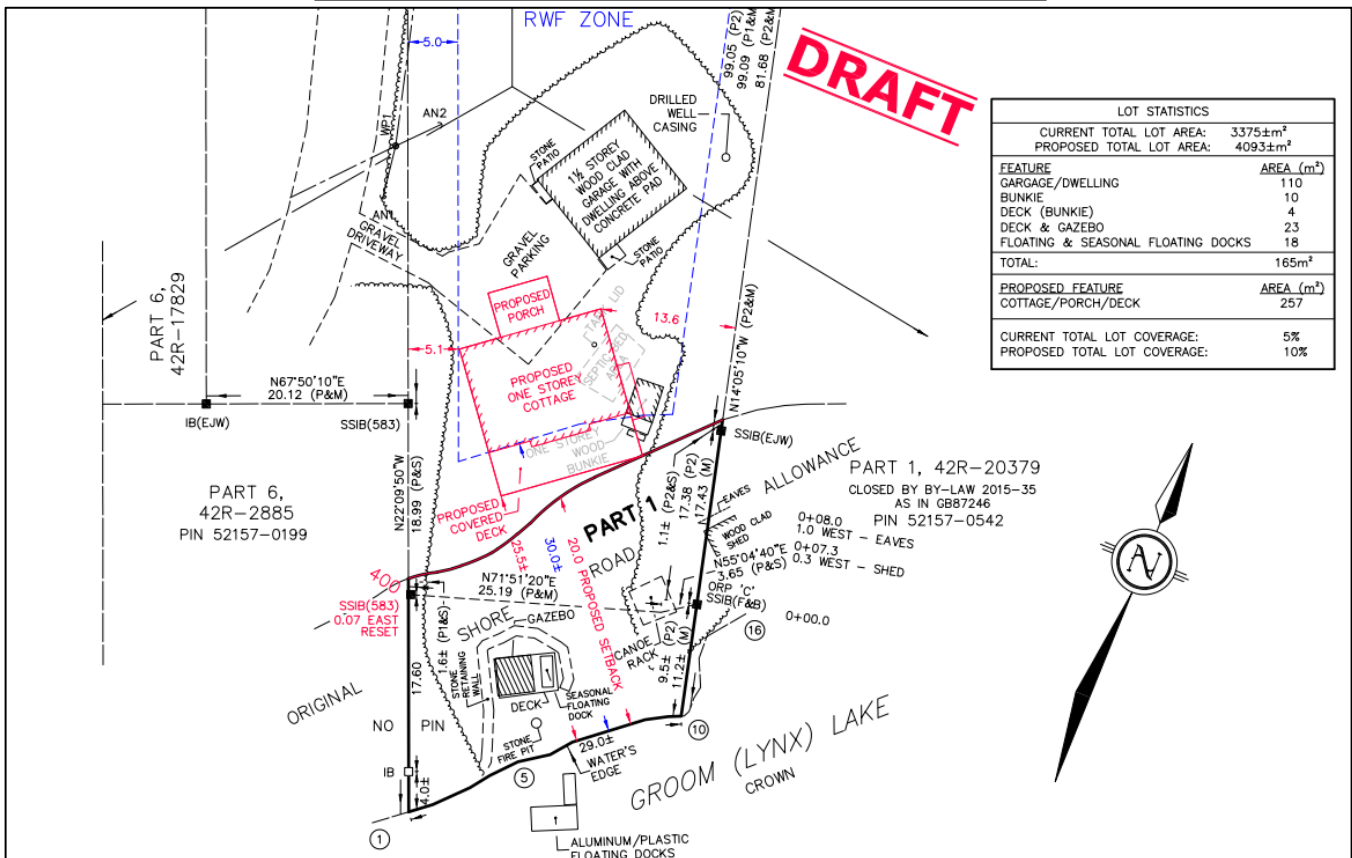
Jessica Rae Reid, B.A
Town Planning Consultant

Lands Affected by the By-law

The lands affected by this By-law are shown in the key map below.



Lands to be Rezoned



112 Ostick Road
Part of Lot 5, Concession 8, Bethune
Town of Kearney, District of Parry Sound

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF KEARNEY**

BY-LAW NO. 2026-XX

Being a By-law under the provisions of Sections 34 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended, to amend By-law No. 2022-20, as amended, the Town of Kearney Zoning By-law, with respect to lands described as PT LT 5, CON 8 BETHUNE; PLAN 277 LOT 24 PT;SHORE RD ALLOW AND RP;42R20379 PART 1; KEARNEY. Being a portion of the lands described with ARN #4918-020-007-01400, in the Geographic Township of Bethune, now in the Town of Kearney.

WHEREAS By-law No. 2022-20 was passed under the authority of Section 34 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended, and regulates the use of land and the use and erection of buildings and structures within the Town of Kearney;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Town of Kearney conducted a public meeting in regard of the subject application as required by Section 34(12) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, as amended;

AND WHEREAS Section 34 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, permits Council to pass an amending Zoning By-law, and the Council of the Town of Kearney deems it advisable to amend By-law No. 2022-20 with respect to the lands described in this By-law;

AND WHEREAS the matters herein are in conformity with the provisions of the Official Plan of the Town of Kearney;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Town of Kearney hereby enacts as follows:

1. THAT By-law No. 2022-20, as amended, is hereby amended as follows:

- a) Map No. 1 of Schedule “A” of By-law No. 2022-20 is hereby amended by changing the zone category of certain lands located in described as; PT LT 5, CON 8 BETHUNE; PLAN 277 LOT 24 PT;SHORE RD ALLOW AND RP;42R20379 PART 1; KEARNEY. Being a portion of the lands described with ARN #4918-020-007-01400, in the Geographic Township of Bethune, now in the Town of Kearney, from the Residential Waterfront (RWF) Zone to a site-specific Residential Waterfront Exception-XX (RWF-XX) Zone as shown on Schedule “A” attached hereto and forming part of this By-law.
- b) Section 4.2.5 of By-law No. 2022-20, as amended, entitled “Exceptions”, is hereby amended adding the following section:

“4.2.5.XX Residential Waterfront Exception-XX (RWF-XX) Zone

Notwithstanding the provisions of this By-law to the contrary, on lands within the Residential Waterfront Exception-XX (RWF-XX) Zone:

Special Provisions

Minimum Lot Area	0.4 hectares
Minimum Water Yard Setback to Primary Recreational Dwelling	20.0 metres
Minimum Exterior Side Yard Setback	5.0 metres
Maximum Ground Floor Area of Accessory Garage with Bunkie	110 square metres
Maximum Height of Accessory Garage with Bunkie	6.0 metres

In all other respects the provisions of the Residential Waterfront (RWF) Zone shall apply.”

2. This By-law shall become effective on the date that it is passed by the Council of the Town of Kearney, subject to the provisions of Section 34 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, as amended.
3. The Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to proceed with the giving of notice under Section 34(18) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, as amended.

READ a first and second time this 19th day of March, 2026.

READ a third time and finally passed this 19th day of March, 2026.

Mayor

Clerk

The Corporation of the Town of Kearney
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Council Chambers
Thursday, February 5, 2026 – 6:00 p.m.

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

Regrets: Councillor: Heather Pateman

Staff Present: Jenny LeBlond, Treasurer (T)
Tom Young, Public Works Superintendent (PW)
Paul Schaefer, Fire Chief, Chief Building Official (FC/CBO)
Cindy Filmore, Deputy Clerk (DC)

The Treasurer, Fire Chief/ Chief Building Official and Deputy Clerk were present for the entirety of the meeting. The Public Works Superintendent was present for their portion of the meeting.

1. Call the Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Resolution 2026-023

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney adopts the Agenda of February 5 2026 as amended

Add: 7.9 Purchase of Used Loader (PW).

CARRIED

3. Disclosure of Interest – None noted

4. Delegations/Presentations/Public Meetings - nil

5. Consent List

Resolution 2026-024

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Consent List from the Council Meeting of Thursday, February 5, 2026, be accepted and that all recommendations or support contained therein be adopted and approved as resolutions of Council.

CARRIED

6. Items Referred from the Consent List

7. Items for Discussion

7.1 Rock Point Road – Deviation of Road.

Resolution 2026-025

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

WHEREAS Council received and approved SR2024- 53 regarding the deviation of road on Rock Point Road; AND WHEREAS Staff reached out to the property owner, the Southeast Parry Sound District Planning Board and legal counsel; AND WHEREAS similar situations have been resolved by the municipality completing the necessary steps at cost; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney directs Staff to complete the necessary steps to obtain ownership of the portion of land upon which the road deviates: AND FURTHER that a portion of the costs shall be submitted to the Southeast Parry Sound District Planning Board for restitution.

CARRIED

7.2 SRA – Rusnak By-law

Resolution 2026-026

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

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney supported in principle the

sale of Shore Road Allowance in front of the property known municipally as 112 Ostick Road to the adjoining property owner (Rusnak); AND WHEREAS legal counsel has provided guidance and clearance regarding this purchase/sale; AND WHEREAS all the necessary steps have been completed to allow this purchase; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby supports the passing of By-law 2026-07 which will take place later in the meeting.
CARRIED

7.3 SRA – Klinner/Misheal Support in Principle

Resolution 2026-027

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

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney has received a request from an adjoining landowner regarding the sale of Shore Road Allowance in front of the property known municipally as 1845 Hwy 518 E; AND WHEREAS support in principle would allow legal counsel to provided guidance and discovery regarding this purchase/sale; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby supports in principle the sale of the Shore Road Allowance in front of the property municipally known as 1845 Hwy 518 E to the adjoining landowner.

CARRIED

7.4 PPRP Agreement

Resolution 2026-028

Moved by: Councillor Beaucage; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has announced a new funding increase agreement in addition the Ontario Transfer Payment Agreement titled the Pothole Prevention and Repair Program; AND WHEREAS a bylaw to enter into this agreement shall be passed later in the meeting; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby authorizes the Treasurer, Jenny Leblond, and the Mayor, Cheryl Philip to sign the agreement for this bylaw.

CARRIED

7.5 OFTP Agreement

Resolution 2026-029

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

WHEREAS the Kearney Fire and Emergency Services have applied for and will receive \$17, 118 in funding for the purchase of equipment which may reduce the risk of exposure to cancer-causing agents; AND WHEREAS a bylaw to this effect will be passed later in this meeting; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby determines that the Treasurer, Jenny Leblond and the Mayor, Cheryl Phillip are authorized to execute the agreement for this bylaw;

CARRIED

7.6 Library Board appointment (Library Board Approved)

Resolution 2026-030

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

WHEREAS the Kearney and Area Library Board has received an application from Ingrid Gough to join the Library Board; AND WHEREAS the Kearney and Area Library Board supports this appointment; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby appoints Ingrid Gough to the Kearney and Area Library Board.

CARRIED

7.7 SR 2026-11 – One Investment

Resolution 2026-031

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 and accepts SR 2026-11 regarding One Investment as information; AND FURTHER THAT Council directs the Treasurer to bring forward a bylaw to a future Council meeting approving investing with One Investment

CARRIED

7.8 SR2026-12 Purchase First Response Vehicle

Resolution 2026-032

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 and accepts SR 2026-12 regarding the purchase of a vehicle to replace First Response unit 317; AND FURTHER THAT Council approves the purchase of the 2025 Ram 1500 Big Horn 4x4 with 6.4 ft bed in the amount of \$89,330.00 plus HST from Dependable Emergency Vehicles as per the 2026 Capital Budget.

CARRIED

7.9 SR2026-13 – Purchase of Used Loader
Resolution 2026-033

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 and accepts SR 2026-13 regarding the purchase of a Loader from the Public Works Superintendent; AND FURTHER THAT Council approves the purchase of the 2020 621 Case Loader from Tracks and Wheels – Collingwood Branch in the amount of \$197,500 plus applicable HST; AND FURTHER THAT the funds to purchase this asset be transferred from the Roads Equipment Reserve.
CARRIED

8. Notice of Motion - nil

9. Correspondence for Information

Resolution 2026-034

Moved by: Councillor Beaucage; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney receives correspondence list from February 5, 2026 for information; AND FURTHER THAT Council directs staff to write letters of support for the following items:

- 9.1 Letter of Support for Enhanced School Bus Safety
- 9.2 Resolution Support “Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF)”

CARRIED

10. By-laws

Resolution 2026-035

Moved by Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer

BE IT RESOLVED that the following by-laws be read a first, second and third time, be passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation, and engrossed in the by-law book:

- 10.1 Bylaw 2026-05 being the Ontario Fire Protection Grant Agreement
- 10.2 Bylaw 2026-06 being the PPRP (Pothole Prevention) Grant Agreement
- 10.3 Bylaw 2025-07 being the bylaw to provide for the purchase of the SRA in front of 112 Ostick Road

11. Closed Session

12. Confirming By-law

Resolution 2026-036

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

BE IT RESOLVED that By-law 2026-036 being a by-law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Special Meeting of January 22, 2026 and Regular Meeting of February 5, 2026, 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 2026-037

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Regular Council Meeting of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney adjourn at 6:33 pm

CARRIED

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF KEARNEY**

Mayor

Clerk



Almaguin Highlands O.P.P. Detachment Board

**Regular Meeting of the Board
Wednesday November 12th, 2025
5:00 p.m.
Township of Perry Municipal Office
(1695 Emsdale Road, Emsdale, ON)**

Any and all Minutes are to be considered Draft until approved by the OPP Board at a Regular Meeting.

In Attendance:

Council Chambers: Robert Sutherland, Chair & Community Representative, Krista Miller, Vice Chair & Community Representative, Board Members Kevin Noaik, Dan Robertson, Joe Lumley and, S/SGT Doug Vincer, Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Commander, Kim Seguin, Acting Secretary

Regrets: Neil Scarlett

Members of the Public: n/a

Disclosure of Conflict of Interest

Nil

Resolution No. 2025-22

Moved by: Krista Miller **Seconded by: Joe Lumley**
Be it resolved that the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board hereby approves the Regular Board Meeting Minutes dated Wednesday, October 8th, 2025. **Carried**

Item 4 Delegations

N/A

Item 5.1 2025 Q3 Opp Detachment Board Report

The board had a brief discussion with S/SGT Vincer on the report presented.

Resolution No. 2025-23

Moved by: Dan Robertson **Seconded by: Kevin Noaik**
Be it resolved that the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board hereby receives the 2025 Q3 OPP Detachment Board Report. **Carried**

Item 6.1 Appointment of Acting Secretary

Resolution No. 2025-24

Moved by: Krista Miller

Seconded by: Joe Lumley

Be it resolved that the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board hereby receives appoints Kim Seguin as Acting Secretary.

Carried

Item 6.2 Detachment Commander Performance Feedback Form33

The Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board deferred the discussion to complete the form until after agenda item 6.4.

Item 6.3 2026 OPP Detachment Board Meeting Schedule

Resolution No. 2025-25

Moved by: Joe Lumley

Seconded by: Dan Robertson

Be it resolved that the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board hereby establish the 2026 Meeting Dates for the Board as the second Wednesday of the month at 5:00pm on:

- January 14, 2026
- April 8, 2026
- July 8, 2026
- October 14, 2026

Carried

Item 6.4 Community Safety and Well-Being Plan Final

The Board reviewed the information presented for the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan.

S/Sgt Vincer left the meeting at 5:26pm so the board could discuss the performance feedback form.

Revisit Item 6.2 Detachment Commander Performance Feedback Form33

The Board discussed each item on the feedback form and collaboratively developed the feedback. The completed information will be forwarded to S/SGT Vincer by November 14th as requested.

The Meeting adjourned at approximately 5:55 p.m.

Dated this 14th day of January 2026.

original signed by Robert Sutherland
Robert Sutherland, *Chair*

original signed by Kim Seguin
Kim Seguin, *Acting Secretary*



Almaguin Highlands O.P.P. Detachment Board

**Regular Meeting of the Board
Wednesday January 14th, 2026
5:00 p.m.
Township of Perry Municipal Office
(1695 Emsdale Road, Emsdale, ON)**

Any and all Minutes are to be considered Draft until approved by the OPP Board at a Regular Meeting.

In Attendance:

Council Chambers: Robert Sutherland, Chair & Community Representative, Board Members Kevin Noaik, Dan Robertson, Joe Lumley and Neil Scarlett, S/SGT Doug Vincer, Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Commander, Beth Morton, Acting Secretary

Regrets: Krista Miller, Vice Chair & Community Representative

Members of the Public: n/a

Disclosure of Conflict of Interest

Nil

Item 3 – Adoption of Minutes

Resolution No. 2026-01

Moved by: Dan Robertson

Seconded by: Neil Scarlett

Be it resolved that the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board hereby approves the Regular Board Meeting Minutes dated Wednesday, November 12th, 2025.

Carried

Item 4 Delegations

N/A

Item 5 – Almaguin Highlands OPP S/Sgt Detachment Commander Updates and/or Reports

The Q4 OPP Detachment Board Report was presented to the Board.

Resolution No. 2026-02

Moved by: Kevin Noaik

Seconded by: Joe Lumley

Be it resolved that the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board hereby receives the 2025 Q4 OPP Detachment Board Report.

Carried

Item 6 – Board Business

Item 6.1. Prescription Diversion Project – The Board discussed the correspondence received from the Joint Zone 1A OAPSB/OACP. The Detachment Commander provided thoughtful and relevant input on the matter which fostered a meaningful discussion among the board members. The following resolution was then considered.

Resolution No. 2026-03

Moved by: Kevin Noaik

Seconded by: Joe Lumley

Whereas the Joint Zone 1A OAPSB/OACP has circulated correspondence to the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board pertaining to the Prescription Diversion Project and has requested that the Board provide a letter of support.

Now therefore be it resolved that the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board hereby direct the Secretary to send a letter of support to The Honourable Vijay Thanigasalam, Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions and to The Honourable Graydon Smith, MPP Parry Sound-Muskoka.

Carried

Item 6.2 Provincial Bail Notification Program - The Board reviewed the correspondence received from the Joint Zone 1A OAPSB/OACP regarding the Provincial Bail Notification Program. The Detachment Commander offered valuable insight and perspective, which contributed to a constructive exchange and thorough discussion among Board members. The following resolution was then considered.

Resolution No. 2026-04

Moved by: Neil Scarlett

Seconded by: Dan Robertson

Whereas the Joint Zone 1A OAPSB/OACP has circulated correspondence to the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board pertaining to the Provincial Bail Notification Program and has requested that the Board provide a letter of support.

Now therefore be it resolved that the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board hereby direct the Secretary to send a letter of support to The Honourable Michael Kerzner Solicitor General, Ministry of the Solicitor General, The Honourable Zee Hamid, Associate Solicitor General for Auto Theft and Bail Reform, Ministry of the Solicitor General, and to The Honourable Graydon Smith, MPP Parry Sound-Muskoka.

Carried

Item 6.3 – Opposition of the planned closure of Cecil Facer Youth Centre - The Board discussed the correspondence received from the Joint Zone 1A OAPSB/OACP regarding opposition to the planned closure of the Cecil Facer Youth Centre. Members considered the potential impacts on youth justice, community safety, and local service capacity. The Detachment Commander provided operational insight, which assisted the Board in understanding the broader implications of the proposed closure and supported a balanced and informed discussion prior to consideration of the resolution.

Resolution No. 2026-05

Moved by: Kevin Noaik

Seconded by: Dan Robertson

Whereas the Joint Zone 1A OAPSB/OACP has circulated correspondence to the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board in opposition of the planned closure of Cecil Facer Youth Centre and has requested that the Board provide a letter of support.

Now therefore be it resolved that the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board hereby direct the Secretary to send a letter of support to The Honourable Michael Kerzner Solicitor General, Ministry of the Solicitor General and to The Michael Parsa, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services.

Carried

The Board reviewed and discussed the draft 2026 Board Budget, identifying several items for further consideration and potential update. These included anticipated costs associated with member attendance at the 2026 Spring Conference in Niagara Falls and future Zone 1A OAPSB meetings, which are expected to be held in Sudbury and Sault Ste. Marie. The Secretary advised that confirmation of the 2026 OAPSB membership fee is pending further information from OAPSB. The Detachment Commander also requested that the Board consider allocating funds for OPP Detachment staff appreciation and recognition initiatives, which may include the presentation of awards and a dinner, or the purchase of hockey jerseys for Detachment members participating in joint games with local high school students as part of a community outreach initiative. A suggested allocation of \$2,000 was discussed. The Board engaged in a productive discussion and agreed to seek input from the municipalities to be presented by each member with a final budget presented at the next meeting.

Resolution No. 2026-06

Moved by: Joe Lumley

Seconded by: Kevin Noaik

Be it resolved that the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board hereby directs that the Secretary bring forward the 2026 Board Budget for approval at the April 8, 2026 Regular Meeting.

Carried

Item 7 – Correspondence and General Information

Resolution No. 2026-07

Moved by: Kevin Noaik

Seconded by: Dan Robertson

Be it resolved that the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board hereby receives Items 7.1 to 7.3 Correspondence and General Information as outlined on the Agenda of Wednesday, January 14th, 2026.

Carried

10. Other Business

The Detachment Commander outlined that through TPON funding, a joint partnership between the Township of Armour and the Almaguin Highlands OPP has enabled the operation of the Festive Drive Ride Program, which has been a great success. This collaborative initiative enhanced road safety and demonstrated the positive impact of targeted funding on community well-being. In addition, TPON funding continues to support the CMHA/OPP program in partnership with the Village of Sundridge, allowing this valuable mental health and community outreach initiative to remain in place.

Additional information was provided regarding school engagement initiatives, with the Detachment Commander highlighting the ongoing annual hockey games as an effective way to build positive relationships, help students feel safe and comfortable with police presence in schools and fundraises for local organizations and the Food Bank. He also noted that a lockdown exercise was conducted in November to support emergency preparedness, emphasizing that these efforts contribute to students feeling safer in their school environments and with the OPP. Finally, discussion took place regarding the upcoming spring conference, and the Detachment Commander advised that it would be beneficial for one to two Board members to attend in order to support continued learning and effective governance.

The Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:05 p.m.

Dated this 11th day of February, 2026.

Original signed by Robert Sutherland
Robert Sutherland, *Chair*

Original signed by Beth Morton
Beth Morton, *Acting Secretary*



Almaguin Highlands O.P.P. Detachment Board

**Regular Meeting of the Board
Wednesday February 11th, 2026
5:00 p.m.
Electronic Attendance Only**

Any and all Minutes are to be considered Draft until approved by the OPP Board at a Regular Meeting.

In Attendance:

Electronic: Robert Sutherland, Chair & Community Representative, Krista Miller, Vice Chair & Community Representative Board Members Kevin Noaik, Joe Lumley and Neil Scarlett, Beth Morton, Acting Secretary

Regrets: Dan Robertson

Members of the Public: n/a

Item 2 - Disclosure of Conflict of Interest- Nil

Item 3 – Adoption of Minutes

Resolution No. 2026-08

Moved by: Joe Lumley **Seconded by: Kevin Noaik**
Be it resolved that the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board hereby approves the Regular Board Meeting Minutes dated Wednesday, January 14th, 2026.
Carried

Item 4 Delegations - Nil

Item 5 – Almaguin Highlands OPP Updates and or Reports – Nil

Item 6.1 – Draft 2026 Budget

Resolution No. 2026-09

Moved by: Neil Scarlett **Seconded by: Kevin Noaik**
Be it resolved that the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board has received the Draft 2 – 2026 Budget and hereby directs that the Secretary bring the final budget forward for approval at the April 8, 2026 Meeting.
Carried

Item 6.2 – 2026 Spring Conference and Annual General Meeting

Resolution No. 2026-10

Moved by: Kevin Noaik

Seconded by: Neil Scarlett

Be it resolved that the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board hereby approves Dan Robertson to attend the 2026 Spring Conference and Annual General Meeting from June 1 to 3, 2026 in Niagara Falls, Ontario.

Carried

Item 6.3 Draft Meal Allowance Policy

Resolution No. 2026-11

Moved by: Joe Lumley

Seconded by: Neil Scarlett

Be it resolved that the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board hereby directs the Secretary to bring forward a Meal Allowance Policy for consideration and approval at the April 8th, 2026 Meeting.

Carried

The Meeting adjourned at approximately 5:17 p.m.

Dated this 8th day of April, 2026.

Robert Sutherland, *Chair*

Beth Morton, *Acting Secretary*

Town of Kearney
A/P Batch Report (Jan 29 - Feb.17/26)
Batch: 2026-00007 to 2026-00013

Bank Code - AP - GENERAL AP

COMPUTER CHEQUE

Payment #	Date	Vendor Name	Invoice #	Reference	Invoice Amount	Payment Amount
35381	1/29/2026	Abell Pest Control				
		A7666400		February Pest Control	178.47	
		A7691490		February Pest Control	62.15	
		A7675755		February Pest Control	65.61	306.23
35382	1/29/2026	Abitibi Sled Dogs				
		2026-002		Sled Dog Tours (Balance of invoice)	3,079.00	3,079.00
35383	1/29/2026	Bell Mobility Inc.				
		Jan 11/26 FD		January Cell Phone	44.35	
		Jan 11/26 PW		January Cell Phones	80.44	
		Jan 11/26 BD		Data Flex Plan (December)	145.77	270.56
35384	1/29/2026	Bell Canada (Internet)				
		Jan 19/26		February Internet	180.68	180.68
35385	1/29/2026	Broad, Michelle				
		MB - DS Ref/26		Refund	40.00	40.00
35386	1/29/2026	CRA - Receiver General				
		Jan 1-15/26		Source Deductions - Jan 1-15/26	13,265.96	13,265.96
35387	1/29/2026	CUPE Local 1813				
		Jan/26 Dues		January Union Dues	740.60	740.60
35388	1/29/2026	Dr. Ron Moore				
		23978		On-site vet services Feb 7 & 8	1,000.00	1,000.00
35389	1/29/2026	Fowler Construction Coppany Limite				
		92166	Accrual	Winter Material (Nov 10-Jan 4)	1,547.41	1,547.41
35390	1/29/2026	Glen Martin Ltd.				
		428607		Cleaning Supplies	41.15	41.15
35391	1/29/2026	Moore Propane Ltd.				
		6026722		Propane fill on Jan 13/26	227.37	
		6026622		Propane Fill on Jan 8/26	1,889.68	
		6026669		Propane fill on Jan 10/26	738.40	2,855.45
35392	1/29/2026	Muskoka Springs Inc				
		263570		Water jugs	58.69	58.69
35393	1/29/2026	Noaik, Kevin				
		66	Accrual	ID cards / Wallet cards	192.00	192.00
35394	1/29/2026	OMERS				
		Jan/26 Pension		Pension dues for Jan/26	13,666.24	13,666.24
35395	1/29/2026	Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs				
		16720		2026 Membership	316.40	316.40
35396	1/29/2026	Pichette, Kristen				
		KP - DS Refund		Refund	40.00	40.00
35397	1/29/2026	PPE Solutions Inc				
		PPE13754		Kevlar Equipment	1,106.84	1,106.84
35398	1/29/2026	Richards, Ron				
		RR - DS Refund		Refund	150.00	150.00
35399	1/29/2026	Sharer, Jill				
		JS/25 Nov CUPE	Accrual	KMS: CUPE Negotiations - Nov.18	53.28	53.28
35400	1/29/2026	Southdown Animal Hospital				
		100		On-site vet services (2nd in comm	300.00	300.00
35401	1/29/2026	Three Mile Truck & Trailer Repair				
		3030		Repair	1,674.51	
		3032		Labour on repair	305.10	1,979.61

Town of Kearney
A/P Batch Report (Jan 29 - Feb.17/26)
Batch: 2026-00007 to 2026-00013

COMPUTER CHEQUE

Payment #	Date	Vendor Name	Invoice #	Reference	Invoice Amount	Payment Amount
35402	1/29/2026	WSIB				
		Dec 31/25 Admin	Accrual	4th qtr remittance - Admin	3,675.62	
		Dec31/25 BD	Accrual	4th qtr remittance - Bldg Dept	537.99	
		Dec.31/25 FD	Accrual	4th qtr remittance - Fire Dept	889.01	
		Dec.31/25 KCC	Accrual	4th qtr remittance - KCC	1,044.73	
		Dec.31/25 LF		4th qtr remittance - Landfill	124.94	
		Dec.31/25 PW	Accrual	4th qtr remittance - PW	3,994.20	10,266.49
35403	2/10/2026	VOID - Cheque Printing				
35404	2/10/2026	Bickley Ford Sales				
		FCSS218284		Ford Truck Oil Change	424.87	424.87
35405	2/10/2026	Burk's Falls Building Ctr Ltd				
		2270278		Supplies	120.29	120.29
35406	2/10/2026	DenKar Controls				
		20256	Accrual	Supply & replace C0/N0 Sensors	10,705.13	10,705.13
35407	2/10/2026	FluentIMS				
		10632		20 Member Annual Subscription	1,155.09	1,155.09
35408	2/10/2026	.I.machine services				
		023249		Hydraulic Repair	196.68	196.68
35409	2/10/2026	Kennedy Ins Brokers Inc				
		89156		2026 Insurance Policy Premium	198,154.08	198,154.08
35410	2/10/2026	KPK Surveying				
		251012-1		7 Road Project	14,265.12	14,265.12
35411	2/10/2026	Ministry of Finance - Ontario				
		342901261105033		2026 Annual Municipal Policing (P:	546.41	
		34270126705-87	Accrual	December OPP LSR Policing Serv	26,290.00	
		42012251111221	Accrual	LSR Revenues (July-Sept 2025)	-279.04	26,557.37
35412	2/10/2026	Moore Propane Ltd.				
		10020215		Propane Fill Feb 1/26	1,419.27	
		6027026		Propane Fuel Feb 4	1,213.11	2,632.38
35413	2/10/2026	Near North Lab Inc.				
		2600035 KCC		February Water Sample Testing	29.21	
		2600035 PW		February Water Sample Testing	29.21	
		2600035		February Water Sample Testing	29.21	87.63
35414	2/10/2026	Noaik, Kevin				
		69		12 ID Cards	39.00	39.00
35415	2/10/2026	Purolator Inc.				
		560227880		Shipment from Camfil Canada	89.22	89.22
35416	2/10/2026	Ransome Well Drilling Ltd				
		185548		Pro 10 UV Sensor	413.58	
		185547		Parts for water filtration system	1,646.13	2,059.71
35417	2/10/2026	Rogers Wireless				
		Jan 20/26		February 5G Wireless Hubb	90.40	
		Jan 20/26 Int		January Interest Fee	2.50	92.90
35418	2/10/2026	Three Mile Truck & Trailer Repair				
		3037		Re-Torque Service	621.91	621.91
35419	2/10/2026	Trax and Wheels Equipment Inc.				
		INV-2023		Used Wheel Loader Purchase	223,175.00	223,175.00
35420	2/10/2026	Waste Connections of Canada				
		7113-0000361841		January Recycle Dump & Return	3,168.33	3,168.33
					Total Computer Cheque:	535,001.30

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204	1/29/2026	Agriculture Forestry Construction Inc.			
		8456	Labour on vehicle	659.59	659.59
205	1/29/2026	Bowman Fuels Ltd.			
		830098	Furnace Oil Fill on Jan.19	2,569.18	
		830099	Diesel Fill on Jan 1	1,338.30	
		830100	Diesel Fill on Jan 19	2,760.59	
		828879	Diesel Fill Jan 12	1,988.70	
		8288878	Diesel Fill on Jan 12	1,028.36	9,685.13
206	1/29/2026	CGIS Centre			
		46037	Slims Contracted Services (Jan-M	3,281.20	3,281.20
207	1/29/2026	Currie Truck Centre			
		0596447P	Def Fluid	293.80	293.80
208	1/29/2026	D.M. Wills Associates Limited			
		30093	Accrual Kearney Landfill Monitoring	2,898.45	2,898.45
209	1/29/2026	Fetterley's Gas & Convenience c/o			
		Jan2-14/26 FD	Vehicle Fuel	383.79	
		Jan2-14/26 BD	Vehicle Fuel	103.32	
		Jan2-14/26Trk13	Vehicle Fuel	86.25	
		Jan2-14/26Trk11	Vehicle Fuel	66.22	
		Jan2-14/26 Trk9	Vehicle Fuel	89.00	
		Jan2-14/26 Pks	Outdoor Supplies	6.31	
		Jan2-14/26KCCS	Maintenance Supplies	66.08	
		Jan2-14/26 PWS	Shop Supplies	27.11	
		Jan2-14/26 FDB	Station Supplies	172.75	1,000.83
210	1/29/2026	1450962 Ont Inc.			
		l4137	Accrual Nov Service Ball Park Washrooms	28.25	28.25
211	1/29/2026	Mathews, Dinsdale, & Clark			
		506439	Accrual General Labour Matters	9,253.01	
		506438	Accrual Negotiations	6,808.82	16,061.83
212	1/29/2026	Muskoka Auto Parts			
		6514871/1	Maintenance	139.35	139.35
213	1/29/2026	Netspectrum			
		112162	February Internet	74.52	74.52
214	1/29/2026	Party Cinemas			
		2185 Deposit	Deposit for 2026 Movie Night	1,200.00	1,200.00
215	1/29/2026	Russell Christie LLP			
		52097459 Jan21	Tax Matters (09151)	467.40	
		EFT 196 Credit	Accrual Credit to EFT 196 (Duplicate)	-341.88	125.52
216	1/29/2026	Corporation of the Township Of Armou			
		ARM 26-01	Accrual December Hrs / Mileage / Expense	6,325.29	6,325.29
217	1/29/2026	TransCanada Safety			
		74965	Mobile Dryer	9,604.99	
		75533	Disposable Gloves	49.72	
		74965 KCC	Large Fist Aid Kit	64.24	
		74965 Prot	Bunker Buster Gear Cleaner	350.30	
		74965 MS	Medical Supplies	186.78	10,256.03

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218	1/29/2026	White's Wearparts Ltd	0000149254	Grader - Ice Blades	2,154.60	2,154.60
219	2/10/2026	6S Graphics	1467 Balance	Banners - Balance of inv.1467	276.85	
			1472 Balance	Signs - Balance on inv. 1472	1,056.55	1,333.40
220	2/10/2026	Agriculture Forestry Construction Inc.	8541	Labour & Repair	3,348.89	3,348.89
221	2/10/2026	Bowman Fuels Ltd.	830816	Vehicle Fuel January 23	1,712.31	
			831975	Vehicle Fuel Jan 30	1,160.76	
			831722	Vehicle Fuel Jan 28	1,508.86	
			831723	Vehicle Diesel Jan 28	1,049.30	
			832927	Vehicle Diesel Feb 4	640.81	
			832926	Vehicle Fuel Feb	807.78	6,879.82
222	2/10/2026	Bugelli, Lisa	025	Jan Fitness Instructor Fees / Insur	1,110.40	1,110.40
223	2/10/2026	Camfil Canada, Inc. Laval	1073383	Supplies	725.87	
			77624 C	Accrual Credit to invoice 1049919	-128.55	597.32
224	2/10/2026	Canadian Microwave	15640	February Pevensey Tower & Rent	395.50	395.50
225	2/10/2026	Champion Commercial Products	599187	Shop Supplies	3,299.10	3,299.10
226	2/10/2026	Currie Truck Centre	0596313P	4L Methyl Hyd	78.38	78.38
227	2/10/2026	Ecovue Consulting Services Inc	24-2095-2016	Accrual OP / ZBL / Strategic Planning	3,055.25	3,055.25
228	2/10/2026	Fetterley's Gas & Convenience c/o	Jan15-30 Trk11	Fuel Fill	90.70	
			Jan15-30 Trk 13	Fuel Fill	209.00	
			Jan15-30 FD	Vehicle Fuel	182.56	
			Jan15-30 Pks	Vehicle Fuel	100.00	
			Jan15-30 BD	Vehicle Fuel	89.15	
			Jan15-30 KCCs	Supplies	5.20	
			Jan15-30 FDbs	Salt for water system	33.88	
			Jan15-30 PWs	Shop Supplies	35.40	
			Jan15-30	Wipers for 1 ton	20.33	766.22
229	2/10/2026	Fibernetics Corporation	776307	February Phone	33.89	
			776302	February Phone (King William)	33.83	
			776288	February Phone (Kallio)	95.92	
			776264	February Phone	39.48	
			776262	February Phone	186.33	389.45
230	2/10/2026	Fowler Construction Coppany Limite	92499	2025-2026 Winter Mtce Agrmnt (1/	3,035.90	3,035.90
231	2/10/2026	Harvie, Kent	KH Boots Feb/26	Dakota Workpro Steel Toe Boots	372.89	372.89
232	2/10/2026	Hydro One Inc.				

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		Feb3/26 Admin	Accrual	December Hydro	1,287.99	
		Feb3/26 Library	Accrual	December Hydro	343.46	
		Feb3/26 KCC	Accrual	December Hydro	2,661.85	
		Feb3/26 LPark	Accrual	December Hydro	257.67	
		Feb3/26 KWTS	Accrual	December Hydro (King William)	148.29	
		Feb3/26 StLts	Accrual	December Hydro	299.91	
		Feb3/26 PubDock	Accrual	December Hydro	31.49	
		Feb3/26 Kallio	Accrual	December Hydro (Kallio)	274.62	
		Feb3/26 PW	Accrual	December Hydro	738.25	
		Feb3/26 FD	Accrual	December Hydro	286.19	6,329.72
233	2/10/2026	1450962 Ont Inc.				
		I4867		Service outdoor portable (Kallio)	56.50	
		I4866		Service outdoor portable (King Will	28.25	
		I4865		Service outdoor portables	146.90	231.65
234	2/10/2026	Kootenay Murphy Holdings Ltd				
		INV-0274		Annual Service Contract Renewal	3,639.36	3,639.36
235	2/10/2026	Lake Country Office Solutions				
		117056		January Photocopy Fees	344.74	
		117132		February Fax Service	33.90	
		117303		Annual Renewal - Enhanced Dyna	56.50	435.14
236	2/10/2026	M & L Supply Fire & Safety				
		029807		SCBA Repairs - Functional Test	209.78	209.78
237	2/10/2026	Glendyn Consulting Inc. T/A				
		2025/26-05338		GL Multi-Batch Extension	225.10	225.10
238	2/10/2026	NorthBay ParrySound District Health U				
		Jan 1/26 Levy 1		January Levy	2,482.83	
		Feb 1/26 Levy		February Levy	2,482.83	4,965.66
239	2/10/2026	Novexco Inc				
		94416687		Printer Labels	43.72	43.72
240	2/10/2026	Reeder Web Design and Marketing Ser				
		11038		Wordpress Maintenance 1st qtr	154.08	154.08
241	2/10/2026	Russell Christie LLP				
		52097405 Jan30	Accrual	Legal Fees re: SRA - (Dyke)	341.49	341.49
242	2/10/2026	Telequip Systems Limited				
		TELEQIN136881		Annual System Licence Charges	698.34	698.34
243	2/10/2026	TransCanada Safety				
		76089		Diagnostics Fingertip Pulse Oxime	154.13	154.13
244	2/10/2026	Trackmatics Inc.				
		44631 Trk4		February GPS Monitoring	72.13	
		44631 Trk6		February GPS Monitoring	72.13	
		44631 Trk 10		February GPS Monitoring	72.13	
		44631 Trk 11		February GPS Monitoring	72.13	
		44631 Trk 12		February GPS Monitoring	72.14	
		44631 Grader		February GPS Monitoring	72.14	
		44631 BD		February GPS Monitoring	66.67	
		44631 FD		February GPS Monitoring	287.01	
		44631 Parks		February GPS Monitoring	110.74	
		44631 TS		February GPS Monitoring	66.67	963.89
245	2/10/2026	Wurth Canada Ltd				
		26748968		Safety Vest	39.26	39.26
246	2/12/2026	The Smith Investigation Agency Inc.				

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Payment #	Date	Vendor Name	Reference	Invoice Amount	Payment Amount
		Invoice #			
		Feb 5/26 Quote	Investigative Services	9,605.00	9,605.00
				Total EFT:	106,883.23
				Total AP:	641,884.53

Report Prepared for Council Meeting of February 26, 2026

The Corporation of the Town of Kearney

RECREATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Tuesday, January 13, 2026 – 2:00 p.m.
Seniors Room

Members Present: CAO/Clerk Nicole Gourlay, Secretary of Recreation Becky Logan, Councillor Jill Sharer, Tracey Mashinter, Pauleen Patton, Patti Kennery and Debbie Watson.

Regrets: Bea Dubuc, Janet Dunsmore

1. Call the Meeting to Order at 2:05pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Res. No. 01-26 Patti Kennery, Debbie Watson

BE IT RESOLVED that the Recreation Committee of the Town of Kearney, adopts the agenda as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Disclosure of Interest

None Noted.

4. Delegations/Presentations

None

5. Adoption of Previous Meeting Minutes

Res. No. 02-26 Jill Sharer, Tracey Mashinter

BE IT RESOLVED that the Recreation Committee of the Town of Kearney adopts the minutes of November 26, 2025 and December 18, 2025 as circulated.

CARRIED

6. Items for Discussion

6.1. Staff Activity & Programming Report

The Committee reviewed the recreational programming spreadsheets from 2024 and 2025 and commented on how excellent the pickleball turnout was in 2025 compared to 2024. The Committee discussed reaching out to Lisa about possibly adding more weights to the exercise equipment inventory. The new evening Fitness Class with Amanda will start next Monday, January 19. Wednesday night yoga program is going good. The Committee agreed to cancel pickleball on Wednesday, March 18 to accommodate the library's birds of prey event during March Break.

6.2. Debrief on Christmas Decorating Contest

The Committee discussed how to encourage more participation for next year including improving promotion, advertising prize money, etc. The Committee agreed to do the contest again in 2026.

6.3. Update on Canada Day thus far

CAO/Clerk gave an update that the Tobin Spring band was secured for \$1400 for the 3-piece band. They will perform from 1:00PM – 3:30PM with a short break. He might introduce a fourth band member for \$1500. The Committee discussed securing a face painter, bouncy inflatables, and crafts and games for kids, etc. and agreed that a request to Council for Main Street to be closed for the duration of the event should be done at the next available Council meeting. We will look into possibly applying for a grant for this event next year.

6.4. Update on Movie Night

2026 Movie Night is set for Saturday, September 19 and the movie company was reached out to for invoice and EFT details. The Committee discussed how to best coordinate ticket sales. The Committee mentioned the need for improved promotion for the event this year.

6.5. Update on Music at Mirror Bay

All dates in 2026 have been booked with musicians aside from Saturday, July 11. Staff are waiting for a response from the next available musicians to fill that date asap. Saturday, June 27 is being left open as a rain date for the Revue. The CAO/Clerk confirmed with the Committee that Music at Mirror Bay's budget is at \$2700 so far without the July 11 date booked. The Committee discussed ordering a retractable banner from Vistaprint to promote the music acts in conjunction with the movie night event and other seasonal events if possible.

6.6. Finalize 2026 Budget for events and programming

Councillor Sharer left the meeting at 3:20PM

The CAO/Clerk informed the Committee that the recreation budget for 2025 included \$17,000 in budgeted revenue and \$27,000 in budgeted expenses, with actual revenue to date being \$18,700, and actual expenses at \$28,000. The Committee discussed programming they'd like to introduce in 2026 including an evening/night drop-in sports program during the summer months. A budget will need to be allocated for new sports equipment. The Committee discussed collaborating with the library on a March Break camp program. Some other suggestions from members of the Public have been floor hockey, soccer, and an obstacle course for younger kids. The CAO/Clerk went through each expense from last year's recreation budget and the Committee agreed they'd like to repeat most of the previous year's events and recreational programming except for line dancing, games day/night, donation to the Legion for Canada Day and the skating event.

7. Adjournment

Res. No. 03-26

Patti Kennery, Tracey Mashinter

BE IT RESOLVED that the Recreation Committee of the Town of Kearney adjourns the meeting at 4:00PM to meet again at 2:00PM on February 10, 2026.

CARRIED

Chair

Secretary

The Corporation of the Town of Kearney
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Council Chambers
Thursday, July 10, 2025 – 6:00 p.m.

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

Regrets: Councillor: Keven Beaucage

Staff Present: Nicole Gourlay, CAO
Paul Schaefer, Fire Chief (FC), Chief Building Official (CBO)
Tom Young, Public Works Superintendent (PSW)
Cindy Filmore, Deputy Clerk (DC)

The CAO was present for the entirety of the meeting. The FC, CBO, PSW and DC were present for their portions of the public meeting.

A moment of silence was held to honour the memory of Jack Pearson and to honour the memory of Ron Mallory

1. **Call the Meeting to Order**
The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. **Approval of Agenda**
Resolution 2025-189
Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer
BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney adopts the Agenda of June 12, 2025 as amended
Amended to add: 7.12 Bish Consent
10.4 Bylaw 2025-47 to appoint members to the Committee of Adjustment
CARRIED
3. **Disclosure of Interest - nil**
4. **Delegations/Presentations/Public Meetings**
 - 4.1 Public Meeting under the *Planning Act* Section 34: Zoning Bylaw Amendment - Prichard
Resolution 2025-190
Moved by: Councillor Pateman; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer
BE IT RESOLVED that the Public Meeting of Council pursuant to Section (12),(13), (14) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13 as amended, held Thursday, July 10, 2025 be called to order at 6:07 pm
CARRIED
 - Resolution 2024-191
Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Pateman
BE IT RESOLVED that the Public Meeting of Council pursuant to Section (12), (13), (14) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13, as amended, held Thursday, July 10, 2025, be adjourned at 6:14 pm
5. **Consent List**
Resolution 2025-192
Moved by: Councillor Sharer; Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Rickward
BE IT RESOLVED that the Consent List from the Council Meeting of Thursday, July 10 2025, be accepted and that all recommendations or support contained therein be adopted and approved as resolutions of Council.
CARRIED
6. **Items Referred from the Consent List**
Nil

7. Items for Discussion

7.1 SR2025-42 Chetwynd Road Update

Resolution 2025-193

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 SR2025-42 Chetwynd Road Update from the Public Works Superintendent; AND FURTHER that Council approves finishing the part of Chetwynd Road that was asphalted in 2024 between Mason Lake Road and Island Lake Road; AND FURTHER that Council approve the Public Works Superintendent to work with one of two contractors who have estimated the project, based on their availability to finish the 2024 Chetwynd Road Project as soon as possible; AND FURTHER use operating surplus or reserves – working funds, as needed.

CARRIED

7.2 DRAFT Strategic Plan 2026-2030

Resolution 2025-194

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

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney has undertaken an update of the Strategic Plan for the Town of Kearney; AND WHEREAS EcoVue and Harrop Consulting had been jointly awarded this project, had worked with Staff and Council and the public to create a draft 2025 Strategic Plan ; AND WHEREAS opportunities for the Public, Staff and Council have been provided to review and update this document; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney approves the Draft Strategic Plan for the Town of Kearney 2026-2030.

CARRIED

7.3 MEMO: Update to SR2025-32 Employee Years of Service Program

Resolution 2025-195

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

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney had requested the CAO/Clerk to provide information regarding Years of Service Awards; AND WHEREAS the CAO/Clerk provided information to Council with a request for direction in SR2025-32 on May 22nd 2025; AND WHEREAS the CAO/Clerk was provided direction by Council to ask Staff opinions on what they would like the Policy to include; AND WHEREAS the CAO/Clerk has provided a Memo to Council outlining Staff request something similar to Option 5 in SR2025-32 which was described as: a “Time Away” or “Dinner/Day/Night Out” gift card program as described below. Description: Monetary Gift Cards that provide for a level of reward: 5 yr = \$100/Dinner for 2, 10 yr = \$250 / One Night Stay (hotel/resort), 15 yr = \$500 / Two Night Stay. Could also be for a movie day/night; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney directs Staff to develop a policy with the following information: that Council shall gather ideas that will offer suggestions on how to show recognition and forward these ideas to Nicole (CAO) to bring back for discussion at a later time

CARRIED

7.4 SR2025-44 Fire Department Policies Update

Resolution 2025-196

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 SR2025-44 regarding Fire Station operation Update and agrees with the following recommendations:

1. To maintain the basics within the last agreement such as boot allowance, eyeglasses, meals and current wages; and
2. To have the fire fighter wage increases based on the previous year’s cost of living

CARRIED

7.5 Resolution re EV Charging Stations

Resolution 2025-197

Moved by: Councillor Sharer; Seconded by: Councillor Pateman

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney has received information from Lakeland EV Charging regarding charging stations; WHEREAS The Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney is interested in the EV fast charging stations for our municipality; AND WHEREAS Lakeland EV Charging with the support of Natural Resources Canada’s (NRCan) Zero-Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Program (ZEVIP) to Bracebridge Generation Ltd. and Ontario’s EV ChargeON program, Lakeland is expanding its public network; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED council requests staff

to reach out to Lakeland EV Charging regarding funding for charging stations and prepare a report for consideration by council
CARRIED

7.6 DRAFT Road Gifting Agreement – Echo Ridge Road
Resolution 2025-198

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer
WHEREAS pursuant to Sections 8, 9 and 10 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, a municipality may pass by-laws authorizing the acquisition of land for highway purposes; AND WHEREAS a part of Echo Ridge Road deviates from the original road allowance onto lands owned by Andreas Meier; AND WHEREAS Andreas Meier proposes to transfer the portion of Echo Ridge Road to The Corporation of the Town of Kearney in accordance with the conditions imposed by the Southeast Parry Sound District Planning Board on five applications for consent (B-055/24, B-056/24, B-057/24, B-058/24, B-059/24); AND WHEREAS Council has considered it in the best interest of the Town to accept a transfer from Andreas Meier of paper title to the portion of Echo Ridge Road which is confirmed to be part of an existing public highway under the jurisdiction of the Town, which the Town maintains; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council supports the gifting of a part of Echo Ridge Rd from Andrew Meier; AND FURTHER THAT a by-law to the this effect will be passing later in the meeting.
CARRIED

7.7 SR2025-45 Staff Report – Support in Principle Craford/106A Sunken Island
Resolution 2025-199

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Pateman
WHEREAS Staff have received a request to purchase shore road allowance in front of 106A Sunken Island Lane; AND WHEREAS legal counsel has advised that this appears to be a straightforward application; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve, in principle, the purchase of the shore road allowance in front of 106A Sunken Island Lane.
CARRIED

7.8 SR2025-46 Staff Report – Support in Principle Rusnak/112 Ostick SRA
Resolution 2025-200

Moved by: Councillor Sharer; Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Rickward
WHEREAS Staff have received a request to purchase shore road allowance in front of 112 Ostick Road; AND WHEREAS legal counsel has advised that this appears to be a straightforward application; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve, in principle, the purchase of the shore road allowance in front of 112 Ostick Road.
CARRIED

7.9 MEMO: Planning Board
Resolution 2025-201

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer
WHEREAS the Town of Kearney is a part of the Southeast Parry Sound District Planning Board with approval authority granted to the Planning Board; AND WHEREAS Council for the Town of Kearney values the preservation and protection of our Northern heritage while implementing responsible land use planning policies and procedures; AND WHEREAS the Municipality requests all Planning Act applications to conduct a pre-consultation with either Municipal Staff or a qualified Planner identifying site specific conditions that will reinforce the preservation and protection of the subject lands; AND WHEREAS this pre-consultation report is provided to Council to assist them in making formal comment about the application to the Planning Board with suggested conditions of consent; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Kearney formally requests approval from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to be removed from the Southeast Parry Sound District Planning Board; AND FURTHER THAT the Town of Kearney be delegated the approval authority for plans of subdivision/ condominium, consents, and validations; AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this motion is to be circulated to the Southeast Parry Sound District Planning Board.
CARRIED

7.10 MEMO: OPP Engagement Session July 10, 2025
Resolution 2025-202

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 and accepts the Memo from the Treasurer regarding the OPP Engagement Session of June 18, 2025
CARRIED

7.11 DRAFT By-law 2025-43 Road Damaging Bylaw
Resolution 2025-203

Moved by Councillor Pateman; Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Rickward

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney received the DRAFT Road Fouling by-law during the June 12 Regular Council Meeting; AND WHEREAS Council directed that the DRAFT by-law be brought back to Council for passing with the noted changes; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the DRAFT By-law 2025-43 known as the Road Damaging By-law; AND FURTHER THAT the passing of this by-law will take place later in the meeting.

CARRIED

7.11 Bish Consent
Resolution 2025-204

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney recommend approval of Consent to Sever Application B-024/25 to the Southeast Parry Sound District Planning Board, with the following conditions:

1. An application for a Zoning By-law Amendment that rezones the subject lands from the Rural (RU) Zone to the Rural Residential (RR) Zone is required to recognize the reduced lot area of the severed and retained lots.
2. That, prior to the finalization of consent, confirmation that the North Bay Mattawa Conservation Authority has no concerns or objections regarding sewage disposal systems on the subject lands shall be provided, to the discretion of the Town of Kearney.
3. Confirmation in writing from the Town of Kearney that a 911 Address Number to the retained lands has been created and assigned.
4. A payment-in-lieu of a parkland dedication shall be paid in accordance with Section 51.1 of the Planning Act acceptable to the Town of Kearney in cash or certified cheque.
5. That all Municipal taxes to date shall be paid in full.
6. The applicant provides confirmation from the Town of Kearney Roads Foreman with respect to entrance approval. ..
7. That all Town fees and disbursements (legal, engineering, planning), if any incurred by the Town with respect to this application shall be paid for by the owner.
8. A draft reference plan of survey be provided to the Town of Kearney for review prior to registration.

CARRIED

8. Notice of Motion - nil

9. Correspondence for Information

Resolution 2025-205

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

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney receives the correspondence list of the July 10th Regular Council Meeting; AND FURTHER THAT Council supports the Town of Prescott in their Strong Mayor Powers Opposition Resolution

CARRIED

10. By-laws

Resolution 2025-206

Moved by: Councillor Sharer; Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rickward

BE IT RESOLVED that the following by-laws be read a first, second and third time, be passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation, and engrossed in the by-law book:

10.1 By-law 2025-43 Road Damaging By-law

10.2 By-law 2025-44 Being a Bylaw to adopt a Strategic Plan for the Town of Kearney for 2026-2030

10.3 By-law 2025-45 being a Bylaw to accept a portion of Echo Ridge Road

10.4 By-law 2025-47 being a Bylaw to appoint a Committee of Adjustment

CARRIED

11. Closed Session

Resolution 2025-207

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by Councillor Pateman

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney moves into closed session at 7:30 pm, under Section 239 of the Municipal Act, under the following subsections:

(2)(d) Labour Relations or Employee Negotiations

(2)(a) Acquisition or disposition of land

Resolution 2025-208

Moved by Councillor Pateman, Seconded by Councillor Sharer

BE IT RESOLVED that the council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney reconvenes in Open Session at 8:55 pm

12. Confirming By-law

Resolution 2025-209

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

BE IT RESOLVED that By-law 2025-46 being a by-law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Special Meeting of June 20, 2025 and the Regular Meeting of July 10, 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 2025-210

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Regular Council Meeting of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney adjourn at 8:57 pm

CARRIED

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF KEARNEY**

Mayor

Clerk

Report to Council

To: Mayor and Council, Town of Kearney

From: Kent Randall and Jessica Rae Reid (EcoVue Consulting Services Inc.)
Town Planning Consultants

Subject: Application for Consent (Lot Addition)

File: Peace Valley Drive; Parts 1, 2 & 3, 42R-20948
Part of Lots 1, 2, and 3, Concession 6, Town of Kearney (Bethune)
EcoVue Project No: 26-2095-02

Date: February 20, 2026

Recommendation

That Council recommend approval of Consent to Sever Application B-005/24 to the Southeast Parry Sound District Planning Board, with the following conditions:

1. That all Municipal taxes to date shall be paid in full.
2. That all Town fees and disbursements (legal, engineering, planning), if any incurred by the Town with respect to this application shall be paid for by the owner.
3. An updated Draft Reference Plan of Survey be provided to the Town of Kearney for review prior to registration.
4. That the RU-16 Zone applicable to the retained Lands (i.e. Parts 2 and 6 of Plan 42R-8256) be amended through a Zoning By-law Amendment to permit the reduced lot area resulting from the proposed lot addition.

Background and Proposal

The following is a review of Consent Application B-004/26 in the context of applicable land use planning policies and provisions. The purpose the Consent application is for a lot addition. The applicant is proposing to sever a portion of subject lands that will then be added to an adjacent lot (benefitting lands). The subject lands are known as 0 Peace Valley Drive, located at Part of Lot 2, Concession 14, in the former geographic Township of Bethune, now in the Town of Kearney, District of Parry Sound.

The property is designated Rural Lands according to Schedule ‘A’ in the Town of Kearney Official Plan. The lands are zoned Rural (RU) according to Schedule ‘A’ in the Town of Kearney Zoning By-law No. 2022-20.

Based on the submitted application and the available Provincial GIS information, the proposed severed and retained lands will be configured as follows:

	Severed Lands	Benefitting Lands	Retained Lands
Lot Area	21.04 hectares (52 acres)	8.09 hectares (20 acres)	7.12 hectares (17.59 acres)
Lot Frontage	0 metres	~160 metres	~167 metres
Lot Depth	~280 metres	~425 metres	~425 metres
Current Zone	Rural-16 (RU-16)	Rural (RU)	Rural-16 (RU-16)
Current Uses	Vacant	Vacant	Rural/Residential
Proposed Uses	Rural/Residential	Rural/Residential	Rural/Residential
Existing Structures	Vacant	Vacant	One (1) Residential Dwelling
Proposed Structures	Vacant	One (1) Residential Dwelling	N/A
Road Access	N/A	Peace Valley Drive	Peace Valley Drive

Analysis

Provincial Planning Statement (2024)

The subject lands are not located within a settlement area and are therefore subject to Section 2.5 (Rural Areas) and 2.6 (Rural Lands) of the PPS. Specifically, Section 2.5.1 outlines permitted uses on rural lands, which includes

“[...] a) r building upon rural character, and leveraging rural amenities and assets; [...] c) residential development, including lot creation, that is locally appropriate [...]”.

The proposed lot line adjustment will occur between two (2) rural properties, each with their own respective municipal frontage on a road that is maintained year-round. As per the above-noted policy, development is permitted to occur within these areas provided they bolster the existing rural character in the area, and are compatible. The proposed lot addition will allocate additional lands for a rural residential use (i.e. residential dwelling) on an existing lot of record.

Additionally, as the application is for a lot line adjustment and no additional lot is being created, there is no uneconomical expansion of infrastructure required to accommodate the proposal. The existing dwelling on the Retained Lands is connected to private water and septic services; future development on the Benefitting Lands will be similar in size and scale and be connected to private servicing.

The subject lands are located within 120 metres of the shoreline frontage of Emsdale Lake. Looking at Schedule ‘C’ of the Town of Kearney Official Plan, the waterfront area approximately 100 metres from the subject lands are considered type 1 fish habitat according to the Official Plan, and is therefore protected under the PPS.

As per Section 4.1.6 of the PPS, *“[d]evelopment and site alteration shall not be permitted in fish habitat except in accordance with provincial and federal requirements.”* Additionally, in Section 4.1.8 of the PPS, *“[d]evelopment and site alteration shall not be permitted on adjacent lands to the natural heritage features and areas identified in policies 4.1.4, 4.1.5, and 4.1.6 unless the ecological function of the adjacent lands has been evaluated and it has been demonstrated that there will be no negative impacts on the natural features or on their ecological functions”.*

The lot line adjustment is maintaining the two existing lots created for rural development. The retained lands already contain an existing dwelling connected to private services (well and septic) and no additional development will result from this application. The Benefitting Lands are proposed to contain one (1) residential dwelling on private servicing, similar to the size and scale of other rural residential uses on Peace Valley Drive.

Notwithstanding the above, the proposed lot additions are viewed as technical consents and do not meet the definition of “development”, which is defined in the PPS as *“the creation of a new lot, change in land use, or the construction of buildings and structures requiring approval under the Planning Act”*, or “site alteration” which is

defined as “grading, excavation and the placement of fill that would change the landform and natural vegetative characteristics of a site”.

As such, it is our opinion that the lot line adjustment is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement.

Town of Kearney Official Plan

As noted, the subject property is currently designated Rural Lands, according to Schedule ‘A’ to the Town of Kearney Official Plan (TKOP).

Policies related to the Rural Lands designation are outlined in Section 4.0 of the TKOP. The proposed benefitting and retained lots will be used for residential purposes, which is a permitted use within the Rural Lands designation, in accordance with Section 4.2 (2) of the TKOP.

Section 4.2.1 of the Town of Kearney Official Plan outlines policies related to lot creation within the Rural Lands designation. Section 4.2.1.1 states that: “all lots will be of sufficient size and dimension, and possess terrain suitable to accommodate the use proposed”. In addition, Section 4.2.2.4 states that: “the minimum requirements for a new rural residential lot and the retained lot will be 1 hectare (2.47 acres) in lot area with 60 metres (197 feet) of road frontage” and that “in no event shall a new rural residential lot have a lot area of less than 0.8 hectares (2 acres)”.

Both benefitting and retained lands will meet the required lot area (1 hectare) and municipal frontage (60 metres) required under Section 4.2.2.4. Furthermore, the retained lands already contain the existing dwelling on private well and septic system; the benefitting lands will be required to connect to private servicing at the time of dwelling construction. As such, it is our opinion that the lot line adjustment to permit the continued use of low-density residential uses is suitable within the Rural Lands designation.

Section 4.2.8 outlines the requirements for road frontage and access. As the proposed severed and retained lots will front on to Peace Valley Drive, which is a year-round, municipally maintained road, the proposal conforms to Section 4.2.8 of the TKOP.

As such, the proposed severances will comply with the policies of the Town of Kearney Official Plan.

Town of Kearney Zoning By-law No. 2022-20

The subject lands are currently zoned Rural Exception-16 (RU-16) and Rural (RU) in the Town of Kearney Zoning By-law No. 2022-20. The Severed and Retained Lands are zoned RU-16; the Benefitting Lands are entirely zoned RU.

The RU Zone has a minimum lot area of 10 hectares, with 100.0 metres of municipal frontage. Although the severed lands will meet the required area and frontage of the RU Zone, the retained lands will not.

Additionally, the RU-16 Zone has the following Special Provision under Section 4.4.5.16 of the Town's Zoning By-law:

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 4.4 of this By-law to the contrary, on lands within the Rural Exception Sixteen (RU-16) Zone:

- i) *The tile field for the sewage disposal system shall be located such that it is set back at least 300 metres (1,000 feet) from the shoreline of Emsdale Lake, or such that drainage from the tile field will flow at least 300 metres (1,000 feet) to the lake.*

Therefore, it is recommended that the RU-16 Zone be amended to permit the deficient lot area in addition to the above existing provision related to the location of a septic tile field. The Zoning By-law amendment will be required as a condition of final Consent approval.

Summary

Based on the foregoing, it is our opinion that Consent Application B-004/26 is consistent with the Provincial Planning Statement (2024) and conform to the Town of Kearney Official Plan. The application also complies with the Town of Kearney Zoning By-law 2022-20.

Therefore, we respectfully recommend that Council endorse Consent Application B-004/26 and recommend approval to the Southeast Parry Sound District Planning Board, subject to the conditions provided as part of this report.

Respectfully Submitted,

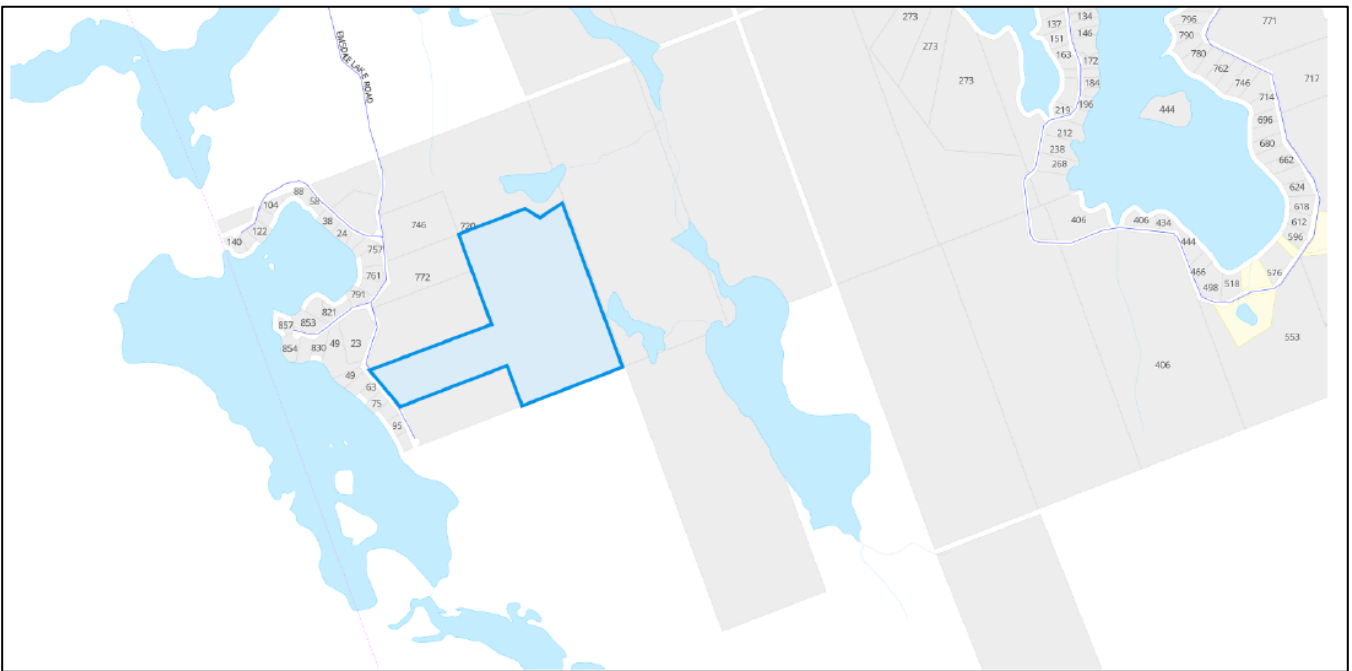
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 Town Planning Consultant

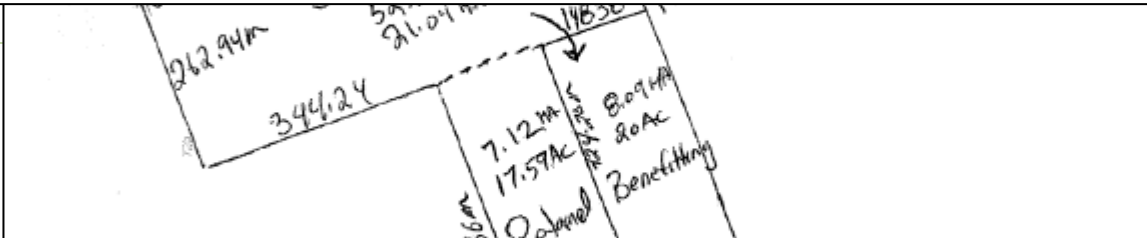


Jessica Rae Reid
 Jessica Rae Reid, B.A
 Town Planning Consultant

Key Map



Peace Valley Drive; Part of Lots 1, 2, and 3, Concession 6, Bethune
 Town of Kearney, District of Parry Sound



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF KEARNEY

BY-LAW NO. 2026-XX

A By-law to Regulate Election Signs in the Town of Kearney

WHEREAS sections 8, 9, 10 and 11 of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, authorize municipalities to pass by-laws respecting structures, including signs, and highways over which they have jurisdiction;

AND WHEREAS sections 88.3 to 88.8 of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, S.O. 1996, c. 32, address campaign and third-party advertising, including the removal of signs that contravene that Act;

AND WHEREAS the Election Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. E.6, governs provincial elections;

AND WHEREAS Council wishes to balance freedom of expression with public safety, accessibility, and municipal operations in a manner consistent with the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms and recent case law;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Kearney ENACTS as follows:

1. Short Title

1.1 This By-law may be cited as the "Election Sign By-law".

2. Purpose and Interpretation

2.1 The purpose of this By-law is to set reasonable, content-neutral time, place and manner rules for Election Signs that:

- (a) protect health, safety, accessibility and municipal operations;
- (b) minimize obstructions and visual clutter; and
- (c) respect freedom of expression by adopting minimally impairing measures.

2.2 This By-law shall be interpreted broadly within the limits of the Municipal Act, 2001. In the event of conflict with another Town by-law regarding Election Signs, this By-law prevails to the extent of the conflict.

3. Definitions

In this By-law:

3.1 "Candidate" means a person nominated or registered under the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, the Election Act (Ontario), or the Canada Elections Act, as applicable.

3.2 "Clerk" means the Clerk of the Town of Kearney or designate.

3.3 "Election Sign" means any sign, poster, placard or device that advertises or promotes a Candidate or political party, or that takes a position on a question/by-law submitted to electors under applicable election legislation; and includes signs for Registered Third Parties; but does not include merchandise such as small stickers on personal property unless placed on public property or otherwise regulated by this By-law.

3.4 "Highway" includes a common and public highway, street, avenue, parkway, driveway, square, place and includes any bridge, trestle, and the area between the lateral property lines thereof, for which the Town has jurisdiction.

3.5 "Registered Third Party" has the meaning in the Municipal Elections Act, 1996.

3.6 "Voting Place" means a place designated by the Clerk for voting under the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, including the entrance and internal hallways to the room used for voting.

3.7 "Boulevard" means that part of a Highway from the edge of the roadway to the property line, including any shoulder, ditch, or sidewalk.

4. Scope and Application

4.1 This By-law applies to Election Signs on Highways and lands under the Town's jurisdiction, and on private property within the Town of Kearney.

4.2 This By-law does not apply to provincial highways under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Transportation (MTO). Signs along provincial highways are subject to MTO corridor management requirements.

5. General Rules

5.1 Consent on Private Property: No person shall place an Election Sign on private property without the consent of the owner or occupant.

5.2 Prohibited Interference: No person shall affix an Election Sign to any traffic control device, streetlight, utility pole, tree, municipal bench, transit shelter, or waste/recycling container, nor place a sign that obstructs sightlines, accessible routes or maintenance operations.

5.3 Voting Places: No Election Sign shall be displayed in a Voting Place, the hallways leading thereto, or the entrance to the closest door during the hours of voting.

5.4 Authorization Tagline: Election Signs must display any authorization information required by applicable election law.

5.5 Defacement: No person shall destroy, deface, or remove a lawfully placed Election Sign of another, except the owner/occupant on their property or Town staff enforcing this By-law.

6. Timing of Display

6.1 Municipal Elections: Election Signs may be displayed no earlier than July 2, 2026

6.2 Provincial or Federal Elections: Election Signs may be displayed upon issuance of the writ or official call of the election, subject to this By-law and any applicable MTO requirements.

6.3 Removal Deadline: All Election Signs shall be removed within seventy-two (72) hours after Voting Day.

7. Size, Height and Construction

7.1 Private Property: Maximum area 1.2 m² and maximum height 2.0 m above grade, and must be safely secured.

7.2 Boulevards/Road Allowances: Maximum area 0.7 m² and maximum height 1.2 m; must be self-supporting and not create a trip hazard.

7.3 Illumination/Animation: Election Signs shall not be illuminated or electronic/animated, except on legally permitted third-party advertising faces.

8. Placement on Highways (Town Jurisdiction)

8.1 Setbacks:

(a) not within 1.5 m of the curb/edge of pavement;

(b) not within 0.6 m of either side of a sidewalk;

(c) not within 3 m of an intersection on local roads or within 15 m of an

intersection on collector/arterial roads;
(d) at least 1.0 m from any other Election Sign unless the abutting owner/occupant consents.

8.2 Sightlines and Devices: No Election Sign may obstruct sight triangles, sightlines to traffic control devices, or be placed on medians/islands where maintenance or safety is impacted.

8.3 Designated No-Sign Zones: Council may by resolution designate limited no-sign zones at specific locations based on documented safety or maintenance concerns. Such zones shall be narrowly tailored and reviewed after each election.

9. Public Property (Non-Road)

9.1 Municipal Facilities and Parks: Election Signs are prohibited on the grounds of municipal buildings actively used for municipal operations, and in areas of parks or trails where documented safety or maintenance concerns exist, but this prohibition does not extend to adjacent road allowances where signs comply with section 8.

9.2 Street Furniture: Election Signs are prohibited on municipal or contracted street furniture and advertising faces, except as permitted by separate agreement or permit.

10. Campaign Office Signs

10.1 A sign located on a campaign office is deemed an Election Sign and is permitted while the office is in lawful operation, subject to applicable building/sign permit requirements for permanent or fascia signs.

11. Registered Third Parties

11.1 Third-party Election Signs are permitted subject to registration and tagline requirements under the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, and the same placement/size rules as Candidates.

12. Enforcement

12.1 Authority: Municipal Law Enforcement Officers may remove and impound Election Signs erected in contravention of this By-law or posing an immediate safety hazard.

12.2 Notice and Retrieval: The Town shall maintain a log and provide notice to the Candidate or Registered Third Party of the removal and the location for retrieval. An administrative fee equal to the Town's actual handling costs may be charged.

12.3 Penalties: Any person who contravenes this By-law is guilty of an offence and liable to fines as provided under the Municipal Act, 2001, and any applicable Administrative Monetary Penalty System by-law.

12.4 Cost Recovery: The Town may recover costs of removal/cleanup from the responsible party in accordance with law.

13. Accessibility

13.1 Election Signs shall not obstruct accessible routes, curb cuts, or bus stops, and shall respect the Town's accessibility practices.

14. Severability

14.1 If any provision of this By-law is declared invalid, the remainder continues in force.

15. Repeal and Transition

15.1 By-law 2018-15 and all by-laws or parts of by-laws inconsistent with this By-law are repealed on the coming into force of this By-law.

15.2 This By-law comes into force and effect on the date of its passing.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME, passed, signed and the Corporate Seal attached hereto, this ___ day of _____ 2026.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF KEARNEY**

Mayor

Clerk

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Staff Report

Staff Report No. SR2026 -15
Date: February 26, 2026
To: Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Members of Council
From: Cindy Filmore, Deputy Clerk
Subject: Ayres Road

Recommendation:

That Council receives the report regarding Ayres Road and supports moving forward.

Background:

In 2025, Council identified 7 roads (8 in total) on which they wish to ensure municipal maintenance takes place. In order for the Town to assume liability and maintenance, it should first obtain ownership. One of these roads over which the Town needs to establish ownership is Ayres' Road.

Analysis:

KPK Surveying was the success bidder to carry out the surveying of the 7 (8) roads and has identified the ownership of Ayres' Road as only partially within the Town's name. In order to remove liability from the shoulders of the adjoining owners and allow the Town to retain both liability and the expense of maintenance, certain steps must be taken to expropriate the lands.

Financial Implications:

Along with the costs to survey and legal fees for conveying the trespass road, future costs will include potential upgrades to the roads over time (gravel, pavement, etc.) as well as year-round maintenance and construction of a turning circle for winter maintenance and fire services. Maintenance costs have been borne by the Town up to this date and will not be considered an increase beyond normal.

Conclusion:

Staff recommends that Council approve this report regarding Ayres' Road and provide Staff with the direction to move forward to communicate with the landowners which the trespass road crosses to discuss the conveyance of these lands.

Prepared by:

Cindy Filmore, Deputy Clerk

Engineering Services Agreement

Project Details

File TBD

Project Name Engineering Services, Various
 Project Manager Brandon McKenzie, P.Eng.
 Services Tatham Design Services with Sub-consultant support as required.
 Schedule Determined on project basis
 Deliverables Determined on project basis

Client Details

Municipality Name	Town of Kearney	City	Kearney
Address	8 Main Street	Postal	P0A 1M0
Contact Name	Nicole Gourlay	Phone	705-636-7752 ext. 22
Contact Email	nicole.gourlay@townofkearney.ca		

Property Details

Property Various Locations
 Municipality Town of Kearney

Fees & Expenses

General correspondence and advice on minor assignments in response to Town requests will be billed on a time basis. For larger scope assignments, a detailed description of engineering services, fees and expenses will be provided for individual authorization by the Town.

Fees	\$	Time to Upset
		Limit
Expenses	\$	As incurred

Note: Fees and expenses exclude applicable taxes.

Agreement

This is a formal confirmation that the professional services have been authorized as set forth herein in accordance with the Terms and Conditions described on Pages 3, 4 and 5., and the attached 2026 billing rate schedule. Kindly sign Pages 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 and return this agreement.

Dated at Bracebridge

Dated on February 19, 2026

 For: Tatham Engineering Limited
 Consultant

 For: Town of Kearney
 Municipality Name

 Per: Brandon McKenzie, P.Eng.
 signing authority

 Per: _____
 signing authority (please print)



signature

signature

Task	Description	Fee Basis	Fee	
1.	Tatham Design Services with Sub-consultant support as required.		\$	Time to Upset Limit
2.			\$	
3.			\$	
4.			\$	
5.			\$	
6.			\$	
7.			\$	
8.			\$	
	Fees		\$	Time to Upset Limited
	Expenses		\$	As Incurred
	Total		\$	

Notes

Exclusions

Services not set forth above are specifically excluded from the scope of the Consultant’s services. Such services will be completed on a time and expense basis, or as otherwise agreed, upon prior approval from the client. Some, but not necessarily all, excluded services are as follows:

1. Services related to claims review, adjudication or dispute resolution.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Accepted by _____
 client signature

_____ date

Terms & Conditions

General: The Consultant, Tatham Engineering Limited, shall render the Services, as specified in this Engineering Services Agreement, to the Client for this Project in accordance with the following terms of engagement. The Consultant may, at its discretion and at any stage, engage subconsultants to perform all or any part of the Services.

Corporate Protection: It is intended by the parties to this Agreement that the Consultant's services in connection with the Project shall not subject the Consultant's individual employees, officers or directors to any personal legal exposure for the risks associated with this Project. Therefore, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the Client agrees that as the Client's sole and exclusive remedy, any claim, demand or suit shall be directed and/or asserted only against the Consultant, a Limited corporation, and not against any of the Consultant's individual employees, officers or directors.

No Third-Party Beneficiaries: Nothing contained in this Agreement shall create a contractual relationship with or a cause of action in favour of a third party against either the Client or the Consultant. The Consultant's services under this Agreement are being performed solely for the Client's benefit, and no other party or entity shall have any claim against the Consultant because of this Agreement or the performance or non-performance of services hereunder. The Client and Consultant agree to require a similar provision in all contracts with contractors, subcontractors, subconsultants, vendors and other entities involved in this Project to carry out the intent of this provision.

Compensation: Charges for the Services rendered will be made in accordance with the Consultant's Schedule of Services as the Services are rendered. Invoices will be rendered monthly by email, unless mutually agreed, otherwise by mail, and due and payable by the Client within 28 days of the date of receipt of the invoice. Interest on overdue accounts is 1.5% per month (18% per annum). In the event that an invoice is not paid within 90 days, the Consultant shall be entitled to suspend work and withhold any deliverables until all outstanding invoices are paid. The retainer will be held on account until final billing with any balance remaining at that time refunded to the Client.

Tax: Applicable taxes will be applied to invoiced amounts.

Representatives: Each party shall designate a representative who is authorized to act on behalf of that party and receive notices under this Agreement.

Termination: Either party may terminate this Agreement without cause upon 30 days notice in writing. If either party breaches this Agreement, the non-defaulting party may terminate this Agreement after giving 7 days notice to remedy the breach. On termination by the Consultant under this paragraph, the Client shall forthwith pay to the Consultant its Charges for the Services performed to the date of termination, including all fees and charges for this Project.

Environmental: The Consultant's field investigation, laboratory testing and engineering recommendations will not address or evaluate pollution of soil, ground water, surface water, or air unless specifically noted in the scope of work. The client agrees that nothing in the Consultant's scope of services, as set forth in this Agreement is intended to address, mitigate, eliminate, identify, test for or prevent any kind of environment, chemical, viral or bacterial exposure or contamination, including without limitation the presence or exposure to dust, asbestos or asbestos containing material, lead, pollution, mould, fungus, spores, Legionnaires' disease, COVID-19, coronavirus or other pathogens of any kind ("Exposures"). The Client is advised to retain the services of a qualified environmental consultant to advise the Client to help identify, test for and mitigate any or all Exposures. The Client is further advised to follow any and all applicable government guidelines and recommendations, including without limitation from the Federal, Provincial and local health departments.

Professional Responsibility: In performing the Services, the Consultant will provide and exercise the standard of care, skill and diligence required by customarily accepted professional practices and procedures normally provided in the performance of the Services contemplated in this engagement at the time when and the location in which the Services were performed.

Accepted by _____
client signature

_____ date

Terms & Conditions

Limitation of Liability: To the maximum extent permitted by law, the Client agrees to limit the Consultant's liability for the Client's damages to the sum of \$1,000,000 or the Consultant's fee, whichever is greater. This limitation shall apply regardless of the cause of action or legal theory pled or asserted. No claim may be brought against the Consultant in contract or tort more than two years after the Services were completed or terminated under this engagement.

Drawings & Documents: Drawings and documents or copies thereof required for the Project shall be exchanged between the parties on a reciprocal basis. Documents prepared by the Consultant for the Client, including record drawings, may be used by the Client, for the Project herein described. The client indemnifies the Consultant for unauthorized use of the drawings and documents.

Insurance: When requested, the Consultant shall provide to the Client proof of the Insurance carried by the Consultant, in accordance with the Professional Engineers Act (RSO 1990, Chapter P. 28) and regulations therein.

Indemnification: The Consultant agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Client against all damages arising directly from the Consultant's negligent performance of the services under this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing agreement to indemnify and hold harmless, the Client and Consultant expressly agree that the Consultant has no duty to defend the Client from and against any claims, causes of action or proceedings of any kind. However, the Consultant expressly agrees, after adjudication by a court of competent jurisdiction, to reimburse the Client pursuant to this provision for any costs and fees determined by the court to have been reasonably, necessarily and actually incurred by the Client in the defence of those claims specifically caused by the Consultant's negligence.

Communicable Diseases: The Owner will notify the Consultant immediately if any person at the Project shows symptoms of, or tests positive for, any communicable diseases, virus, bacteria or pathogen, including without limitation COVID-19, SARS-CoV-2 or coronavirus, that is capable of being spread or transmitted from one person to another and subject to a Federal, Provincial or local Medical Officer of Health Order.

Force Majeure: The Client agrees that the Consultant is not responsible for damages arising directly or indirectly from any delays for causes beyond the Consultant's control. For purposes of this Agreement, such causes include, but are not limited to, strikes or other labour disputes; severe weather disruptions or other natural disasters or acts of God; fires; riots, war or other emergencies; a health pandemic including without limitations COVID-19, SARS-CoV-2 or coronavirus. In addition, if such delays resulting from any such causes increase the cost or time required by the Consultant to perform its services in an orderly and efficient manner, the Consultant shall be entitled to a reasonable adjustment in schedule and compensation.

Workers Safety & Insurance Board: The Consultant warrants to the Client that the Consultant is in good standing with the Workers Safety and Insurance Board and shall deliver, upon request, a current clearance certificate to the Client before beginning any work under this Contract.

Jobsite Safety: Neither the professional activities of the Consultant, nor the presence of the Consultant or its employees and subconsultants at a construction/project site, shall impose any duty on the Consultant, nor relieve the Client or their Contractor of their obligations, duties and responsibilities including, but not limited to, construction means, methods, sequence, techniques or procedures necessary for performing, superintending and coordinating the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents and any health or safety precautions required by any regulatory agencies. The Consultant and its personnel have no authority to exercise any control over the Owner or their Contractor or their employees in connection with their work or any health or safety programs or procedures.

Dispute Resolution: Save and except for claims brought by the Consultant for non-payment of accounts rendered, if requested in writing by either the Client or the Consultant, the Client and the Consultant shall attempt to resolve any dispute between them arising out of or in connection with the Agreement by entering into structured non-binding negotiations with the assistance of a mediator on a without prejudice basis. The mediator shall be appointed by agreement of the parties. If a dispute cannot be settled with the mediator within a period of thirty (30) calendar days, the dispute shall be referred to and finally resolved by binding arbitration.

Field Services: Where applicable, field services recommended for the Project are the minimum necessary, in the sole discretion of the Consultant, to observe whether the work of a contractor retained by the Client is being carried out in general conformity with the intent of the Services. Any reduction from the level of services recommended will result in the Consultant providing qualified certifications for the work.

Accepted by _____

client signature

_____ date

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Terms & Conditions:

Right of Entry: The Client agrees to provide the Consultant full access to the site and a legal survey plan of the boundaries of the site for which the Consultant will perform its services. If the Client does not own the site, the Client will provide written permission from the Owner of the site for the Consultant's access to the site to conduct site inspections, surveys, borings, and all other explorations as necessary to complete the scope of Services listed on page 2. The Consultant will take reasonable precautions to minimize damage to the site from the use of equipment, however the Consultant is not responsible for any damage to the site caused by normal and customary use of equipment. All restoration and repair of damages is the full responsibility of the Client. The costs for restoration and repair of damages is not included in the Consultant's fees.

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Presence of Hazardous Materials: If hazardous materials of any kind whatsoever are discovered during the Consultants work, the Client will be wholly responsible for all associated and additional costs to remediate, collect, convey, transport, dispose or any other required work to properly address the hazardous materials. If hazardous materials of any nature are suspected, the Consultant will have the option to stop work, without any penalty. The Client and Consultant shall expeditiously negotiate an amendment to this Agreement to address the additional work related to the hazardous materials. If a mutually satisfactory amendment to this Agreement cannot be reached between both parties, this Agreement will be terminated without cause and the Client agrees to pay the Consultant for all services rendered up to the date of termination, including any costs associated with termination.

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Contribution of Hazardous Materials: The Client agrees that the Consultant has not contributed to the presence of hazardous wastes of any kind or biological pollutants such as moulds, fungi, spores, bacteria and viruses, and by-products of any biological organisms, or other hazardous materials that may exist or be discovered in the future at the site. The Consultant does not assume any liability for the known or unknown presence of such hazardous materials. The Consultants scope of services does not include the investigation or detection of biological pollutants such as moulds, fungi, spores, bacteria and viruses, and by-products of any such biological organisms. The Client agrees to fully indemnify and hold harmless the Consultant its subconsultants, subcontractors, agents, and employees from and against all claims, damages, losses, and costs (including fees) that may result from the detection, failure to detect, or from the actual, alleged, or threatened discharge, dispersal, release, escape, or exposure to any solid, liquid, gaseous, or thermal irritant, asbestos in any form, or contaminants including smoke, vapour, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, chemicals, waste, oil, hazardous materials, or biological pollutants.

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Accepted by _____
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February 4, 2026

The Right Honourable Mark Carney, P.C., M.P. Prime Minister of Canada
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RE: Call for Reform and Publication of the Ontario Sex Offender Registry

Dear Prime Minister,

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on February 4th, 2026, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan passed the following resolution, supporting the resolution from the City of Brantford.

Resolution No: 2026-02-04-06
Moved by: Councillor Banks
Seconded by: Councillor Keller

"Be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan support the City of Brantford's resolution regarding a Call for Reform and Publication of the Ontario Sex Offender Registry.

And further that this resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister of Canada, Premier of Ontario, the Attorney General of Ontario, Solicitor General of Ontario, the Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, Renfrew Nipissing Pembroke MPP and MP, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, AMO and all municipalities in Ontario."

Carried.

Sincerely,

Tammy Thompson
Deputy Clerk
Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan



December 19, 2025

Honorable Mark Carney

Sent via email: mark.carney@parl.gc.ca

Dear Honorable Mark Carney:

Please be advised that Brantford City Council, at its meeting held December 16, 2025 adopted the following:

12.2.7 Call for Reform and Publication of the Ontario Sex Offender Registry - Councillor Samwell

WHEREAS the community of Welland and the surrounding communities were deeply impacted by a recent heinous crime that highlighted critical gaps in Canada's criminal justice and offender-management systems; and

WHEREAS on September 4, 2025, Mayor Frank Campion of the City of Welland wrote to the Premier of Ontario urging comprehensive reform to strengthen sentencing, parole, and bail provisions for violent sexual offenders, and to enhance public safety protections; and

WHEREAS on September 12, 2025, Mayor Mat Siscoe of the City of St. Catharines wrote to the Prime Minister of Canada expressing strong support for these reforms and calling for immediate federal action to strengthen sentencing, parole, and accountability measures for violent sexual offenders; and

WHEREAS the City of Thorold, at its meeting of September 9, 2025, adopted Resolution 14.2 requesting the Province of Ontario to amend Christopher's Law (Sexual Offenders Registry), 2000 to make Ontario Sex Offender Registry publicly accessible; and

WHEREAS several Niagara municipalities; including Grimsby, Fort Erie, Port Colborne, and St. Catharines have subsequently endorsed this call for greater transparency and reform; and

WHEREAS municipal councils, though not responsible for criminal law or parole, play a vital role in advocating for the safety and well-being of their residents;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- A. THAT the Council of the City of Brantford hereby supports the City of Thorold's Resolution calling for the Publication of the Sexual Offender Registry and the City of Welland's correspondence dated September 4, 2025, calling for reform to sentencing, parole, and registry provisions concerning violent sexual offenders; and
- B. THAT the Province of Ontario be urged to amend Christopher's Law (Sexual Offender Registry), 2000 to make the Ontario Sex Offender

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Registry publicly accessible, subject to appropriate privacy and safety safeguards; and

C. THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to:

- i. The Right Hon. Mark Carney, Prime Minister of Canada;
- ii. The Hon. Sean Fraser, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada;
- iii. The Hon. Gary Anandasangaree, Minister of Safety;
- iv. The Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario;
- v. The Hon. Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario;
- vi. The Hon. Michael S. Kerzner, Solicitor General of Ontario;
- vii. Member of Parliament for Brantford-Brant, Larry Brock;
- viii. Member of Provincial Parliament for Brantford-Brant, Will Bouma;
- ix. The Association of the Municipalities of Ontario (AMO);
- x. The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM); and
- xi. All Ontario Municipalities for their information and support.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours truly,



Chris Gauthier City Clerk,
cgauthier@brantford.ca

CC - The Honorable Sean Fraser, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada; - Sean.Fraser@parl.gc.ca

The Honorable Gary Anandasangaree, Minister of Safety
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The Honorable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; - premier@ontario.ca

The Honorable Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario; -
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The Honorable Michael S. Kerzner, Solicitor General of Ontario
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February 4, 2026

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RE: Call to Action for Justice and Protection of Canada's Children

Dear Prime Minister,

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on February 4th, 2026, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan passed the following resolution, supporting the resolution from the Town of Aylmer.

Resolution No: 2026-02-04-05
Moved by: Councillor Quade
Seconded by: Councillor Banks

“Be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan support the Town of Aylmer’s resolution regarding a Call to Action for Justice and Protection of Canada’s Children.

And further that this resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister of Canada, Premier of Ontario, the Attorney General of Ontario, Solicitor General of Ontario, the Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, Renfrew Nipissing Pembroke MPP and MP, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and all municipalities in Ontario.”

Carried.

Sincerely,

Tammy Thompson
Deputy Clerk
Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan

January 15, 2026

The Right Honourable Mark Carney, P.C., M.P. Prime Minister of Canada
Office of the Prime Minister
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Dear Prime Minister

Re: Support for the City of Welland's Call to Action for Justice and Protection of Canada's Children

At their Regular Meeting of Council on January 15, 2026, the Council of the Town of Aylmer endorsed the following resolution:

Whereas the Town of Aylmer supports the City of Welland's call to action for justice and protection of Canada's children; and,

Whereas the safety and well-being of children is a fundamental responsibility shared by all levels of government; and,

Whereas recent incidents involving sexual offences against children have deeply affected communities across Ontario and Canada, raising serious concerns about public safety and the adequacy of existing legislative protections; and,

Whereas violent sexual crimes against children represent some of the most serious offences under the Criminal Code of Canada and have lifelong impacts on victims, families, and communities; and,

Whereas municipalities play a critical role in advocating for policies that protect residents and promote safe communities; and,

Whereas there is a growing concern that gaps in bail, sentencing, parole eligibility, and offender monitoring allow high-risk individuals to re-enter communities pre-maturely, placing children at continued risk;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Aylmer formally urges all levels of government to review and strengthen legislation and policies related to violent and sexual offences against children, including but not limited to:

1. **Bail and Sentencing Provisions** - ensuring that individuals charged with or convicted of violent sexual offences against children are subject to the strictest possible bail conditions and sentencing outcomes that reflect the severity of these crimes;
2. **Parole and Early Release** - limiting parole eligibility, statutory release, or other forms of early release for offenders convicted of sexual offences against children who pose ongoing risks to public safety;
3. **Sex Offender Monitoring** - strengthening the National Sex Offender Registry and related provincial tools to improve accuracy, enforcement, and timely access to information for law enforcement; and
4. **Victim and Community Safety** - prioritizing the protection of children and community safety within the justice system above administrative or procedural efficiencies;

And be it further resolved that copies of this resolution be forwarded to:

The Premier of Ontario
The Attorney General of Ontario
The Solicitor General of Ontario
The Prime Minister of Canada
The Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada
Member of Provincial Parliament, Rob Flack
Member of Parliament, Andrew Lawton
The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and;
All 444 Ontario Municipalities

And be it further resolved that Council encourages municipalities to adopt similar resolutions to work collaboratively to present a unified municipal voice advocating for stronger protections for children across Canada.

Yours sincerely,

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Hon. Rob Flack rob.flack@pc.ola.org

Mr. Andrew Lawton andrew.lawton@parl.gc.ca

Mayor Frank Campion c/o Theresa Ettore Theresa.ettore@welland.ca

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December 2, 2025

Subject: A Call to Action: Standing Together for Justice and the Protection of Canada's Children

Dear Fellow Mayors,

I write to you today not only as the Mayor of Welland, but as a member of a community that has been deeply shaken by an unthinkable act in August 2025: the brutal sexual assault of a three-year-old child. This tragedy has horrified our residents, leaving families in grief and disbelief, and compelling us as leaders to confront the uncomfortable truth that our justice system is failing to adequately protect our most vulnerable.

While no policy can erase the trauma this child and their family will endure, we have a moral obligation to act. This moment demands leadership from all of us, to raise our collective voices and ensure that meaningful reform takes place.

I urge you to join me in calling on provincial and federal governments to take immediate and decisive action by advancing the following measures:

- The full and expedited implementation of recent federal bail and sentencing reforms, so that new provisions designed to protect the public—particularly victims of violent sexual crimes—are applied swiftly and consistently across all jurisdictions.
- Strengthening bail and sentencing provisions so that individuals charged with, or convicted of, violent sexual crimes face the strictest possible conditions, including limits on early release in cases of extreme brutality.
- That parole eligibility for sexual offences against children reflects the full gravity of these crimes, limiting conditional or early release for offenders who pose ongoing risks to community safety.
- Strengthening the National Sex Offender Registry, providing communities and police with timely, accurate information and effective tools to safeguard residents.

Canadians must be able to trust that our justice system prioritizes public safety—especially the safety of children—above all else. Communities like ours cannot bear the weight of knowing that legislative gaps may allow dangerous offenders to harm again.

I am calling on you, my colleagues in municipalities across Canada, to:

1. Pass council resolutions urging your respective provincial governments to review and strengthen laws protecting children from violent offenders.
2. Collaborate through FCM and provincial municipal associations to bring a united municipal voice to Ottawa and all legislatures across the country, advocating for the timely implementation and continued enhancement of justice reforms.
3. Engage your local MPs, MPPs/MLAs, and their governments to advocate for continued legislative and judicial reform.

4. Support awareness and prevention efforts within your communities to reinforce the safety and well-being of every child.

Together, we can create a wave of leadership that demands justice and refuses complacency. The protection of children transcends politics and geography; it is a shared duty that defines who we are as a nation.

Thank you for standing with us in this urgent cause. I would welcome the opportunity to coordinate efforts with you and your councils to move this national call forward.

With respect and solidarity,



Frank Campion
Mayor of Welland



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February 4, 2026

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RE: Support for the Steel and Lumber Sectors

Dear Prime Minister,

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on February 4th, 2026, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan passed the following resolution, supporting the resolution from the Township of Naim & Hyman.

Resolution No: 2026-02-04-07
Moved by: Councillor Quade
Seconded by: Councillor Keller

"Be It resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan support the Township of Naim & Hyman's resolution regarding Support for the Steel and Lumber Sectors.

And further that this resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister of Canada, Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry Minister of Northern Development, FONOM, Renfrew Nipissing & Pembroke MP and MPP, and all municipalities in Ontario."

Carried.

Sincerely,

Tammy Thompson
Deputy Clerk
Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan



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December 17, 2025

The Right Honourable Mark Carney
Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

Dear Prime Minister:

Re: Support Resolution

On behalf of the Council of the Township of Nairn and Hyman, I am writing to formally convey Council's support for recent federal measures aimed at stabilizing and strengthening Canada's steel and softwood lumber sectors.

As a small Northern Ontario municipality whose economy is closely tied to the continued operation of Interfor, a local softwood lumber mill, Council is increasingly concerned that ongoing trade pressures and market uncertainty are placing added strain on the long-term viability of this key employer. Any reduction in operations or a potential closure would have significant and lasting consequences for local employment, municipal revenues, and the overall economic and social wellbeing of our community.

In this context, and in response to the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities' November 26, 2025 media release, Council adopted the enclosed resolution at their meeting of December 8, 2025:

SUPPORT FOR STEEL AND LUMBER SECTORS

RESOLUTION # 2025-14-247

MOVED BY: Karen Richter

SECONDED BY: Wayne Austin

WHEREAS the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) has issued a media release dated November 26, 2025, welcoming the Government of Canada's new measures to support the steel and softwood lumber sectors in response to ongoing U.S. tariff pressures; and

WHEREAS the federal actions—including strengthened protections for domestic producers, expanded financial supports, and increased incentives to utilize Canadian steel and lumber in federal infrastructure and housing projects—represent important steps in stabilizing industries that are vital to Northern Ontario's economy; and

WHEREAS municipalities across the North continue to experience the economic impacts of industry closures, including the recent shutdown of Domtar a pulp and paper mill in the neighboring Town of Espanola, which has demonstrated the vulnerability of resource-dependent communities and the need for coordinated intergovernmental support; and

WHEREAS the Township of Naim and Hyman recognizes the significant role of Interfor, our local soft-wood lumber mill, as a major employer and economic anchor in our region, and further recognizes that any threat to its continued operation would have devastating consequences for workers, families, and local businesses; and
WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has a shared responsibility to ensure the long-term sustainability of the forestry, lumber, and steel sectors, which are foundational to the economic wellbeing of Northern and rural communities;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Township of Naim and Hyman commends the Government of Canada for its leadership and for implementing substantial measures to support Canada's steel and softwood lumber industries during this period of trade volatility; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council respectfully urges the Government of Ontario to introduce additional financial, regulatory, and policy-based supports to ensure that Ontario's steel, forestry, and lumber sectors remain competitive, resilient, and able to withstand ongoing international trade pressures; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council specifically calls upon the Province of Ontario to work directly with industry stakeholders, including municipalities and major employers such as Interfor, to create programs and investments that will help protect jobs, maintain production capacity, and support long-term industry growth in Northern Ontario; and
BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister of Canada, the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, the Minister of Northern Development, FONOM, MP Jim Belanger, MPP Bill Rosenberg and all Ontario Municipalities.

CARRIED

Sincerely Yours,



Belinda Ketchabaw
CAO Clerk - Treasurer

BK/mb

cc: Premier of Ontario
Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry
Minister of Northern Development
FONOM
MP Hon. Jim Belanger
MPP Hon. Bill Rosenberg
All Ontario Municipalities



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

November 26, 2025

FONOM Welcomes Federal Support for Steel and Lumber Sectors Impacted by U.S. Tariffs

Northeastern Ontario – The Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) welcomes today’s announcement by Prime Minister Mark Carney outlining new federal measures to support Canada’s steel and softwood lumber industries, which continue to face unprecedented challenges due to aggressive U.S. tariff actions.

The federal plan includes strengthened protections for domestic producers, expanded financial supports for companies facing liquidity pressures, and new incentives to increase the use of Canadian steel and lumber in national infrastructure and housing projects. These measures aim to stabilize sectors vital to the economies of many Northern Ontario communities.

Prime Minister Carney announced that Canada will significantly tighten tariff-rate quotas on foreign steel imports, opening an estimated \$850 million in domestic demand for Canadian producers. In addition, the federal government is allocating \$500 million in new financing for softwood lumber firms, paired with a further \$500 million expansion of the Business Development Bank of Canada’s softwood guarantee program.

FONOM is encouraged by the federal government’s recognition of the pressures facing Northern resource-based communities, where steel and lumber operations support thousands of jobs and anchor local economies.

“These measures acknowledge what Northern Ontario has long understood — that our steel and lumber sectors are national economic pillars,” said FONOM President Dave Plourde **“U.S. tariffs continue to destabilize communities across the North, and today’s announcement provides needed tools to help our workers and industries adapt, compete, and grow.”**

FONOM also welcomes the federal commitment to reduce interprovincial freight rates by 50 per cent for steel and lumber shipments beginning next spring. Lower transportation costs will help Northern producers access new domestic markets and move product efficiently while north-south trade remains constrained.

As part of the plan, the federal government will also advance the Buy Canadian Policy, ensuring that major defence, construction, and infrastructure projects prioritize Canadian steel, aluminum,

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and wood products. This aligns strongly with FONOM's longstanding advocacy for procurement policies that support Canadian jobs and supply chains.

"Keeping Canadian dollars working in Canada is essential," added the President. "These steps will create new demand for made-in-Canada materials while helping stabilize communities affected by unpredictable U.S. trade actions."

FONOM looks forward to continued collaboration with federal officials to ensure the timely rollout of these programs, and to ensure that Northern Ontario municipalities and industries can fully benefit from the measures announced today.

Media Contact:

Dave Plourde, President

Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM)

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Agenda Number: 14.c.
Resolution Number 2026-RCM-029
Title: Closure of Sudbury's LifeLabs Laboratory
Date: February 2, 2026

Moved by:



Seconded by:



WHEREAS LifeLabs has announced the planned closure of its laboratory processing facility in Greater Sudbury, with services being transferred to facilities in Southern Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Sudbury LifeLabs laboratory currently provides essential diagnostic testing services to residents of Markstay-Warren and communities throughout Northern Ontario; and

WHEREAS the closure raises serious concerns regarding increased turnaround times for critical medical testing, potential service disruptions, and risks to patient care due to transportation delays, particularly during winter months and adverse weather conditions; and

WHEREAS timely access to laboratory diagnostics is a critical component of an effective healthcare system and is essential to the health and well-being of rural, senior, and vulnerable populations;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Municipality of Markstay-Warren hereby expresses its opposition to the closure of the LifeLabs laboratory in Greater Sudbury;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that Council formally requests the Province of Ontario, the Ministry of Health, and LifeLabs to reconsider this decision and to maintain local laboratory processing capacity in Sudbury to ensure reliable and timely diagnostic services for Northern Ontario residents;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the attached draft communication and a copy of this resolution be forwarded to:

- The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
- The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health
- MPP France Gélinas, Nickel Belt
- MPP John Vanthof, Timiskaming–Cochrane
- Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
- Northern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA)
- LifeLabs Ontario

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Mayor

February 2, 2026

The Honourable John Vanthof, MPP
Timiskaming–Cochrane
Legislative Assembly of Ontario
Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A5

RE: Concerns Regarding the Closure of the LifeLabs Laboratory in Greater Sudbury

Dear MPP Vanthof,

On behalf of the Council of the Municipality of Markstay-Warren, I am writing to express our serious concerns regarding the announced closure of the LifeLabs laboratory facility in Greater Sudbury.

The Sudbury LifeLabs facility plays a critical role in providing timely diagnostic services for residents throughout Northern Ontario, including those in Markstay-Warren and surrounding communities. The planned transition of laboratory processing services to facilities located in the Greater Toronto Area raises serious concerns regarding longer turnaround times, potential service disruptions, and increased risks to patient care. Particularly during winter months and periods of inclement weather that frequently affect northern transportation routes.

Reliable access to diagnostic testing is essential to the health and well-being of our residents. Many of our citizens rely on timely laboratory results to support urgent and ongoing medical treatment. Any delays or disruptions may result in adverse health outcomes, particularly for seniors, rural residents, and vulnerable populations.

Council is also concerned about the potential loss of skilled laboratory professionals from our region, further weakening already strained healthcare services across Northern Ontario.

The Municipality of Markstay-Warren respectfully urges the Province of Ontario to engage with LifeLabs and the Ministry of Health to explore options that would maintain local laboratory processing capacity in Sudbury and ensure that residents of Northern Ontario continue to receive timely, high-quality diagnostic services.



Thank you for your attention to this important matter. We appreciate your continued advocacy on behalf of Northern Ontario communities and respectfully request your support in addressing this issue.

Sincerely,

Marc Serré, CAO/Clerk
Municipality of Markstay-Warren
Encl. Closure of Sudbury's LifeLab Laboratory Resolution
cc: The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health
MPP France Gélinas, Nickel Belt
MPP John Vanthof, Timiskaming–Cochrane
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
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LifeLabs Ontario



**The Corporation of the
Township of Perry**

Box 70 1695 Emsdale Road Emsdale, Ontario P0A 1J0

Date: February 18, 2026

Resolution No.: 2026- 078

Moved By: Joe Lumley **Seconded By:** Paul Sowrey

Whereas public libraries play a vital role in ensuring equitable access to information, literacy, education, and culture for all residents;

And whereas interlibrary loan services are an essential component of public library operations, particularly for small and rural communities with limited local collections;

And whereas reduced postal rates for library materials have historically enabled libraries to share resources efficiently and affordably across Canada;

And whereas recent amendments to the Canada Post Corporation Act have removed the legislative requirement to provide reduced postal rates for library materials, creating uncertainty for the continued delivery of this essential service;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry calls upon the Government of Canada to maintain and protect reduced-rate postal distribution for library materials through legislation;

And that Council requests that the Minister responsible for Canada Post ensure continued, affordable postal access for libraries and interlibrary loan services;



RESOLUTION NO. 2026- 20

FEBRUARY 11, 2026

Moved by: [Signature]

Seconded by: [Signature]

WHEREAS reliable, high-speed internet access is essential infrastructure that supports economic development, housing construction, healthcare, education, municipal operations, and overall community well-being;

AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has recognized the importance of digital infrastructure through the *Accelerating Access to Broadband for Ontario Act, 2021*, which seeks to expand broadband access to all Ontarians, particularly in underserved and rural communities;

AND WHEREAS access to affordable high-speed internet is a necessary precondition to achieving provincial and federal housing, economic development, and population growth targets;

AND WHEREAS Bell Canada currently offers dedicated fibre internet services at the following indicative rates under a five (5) year term within a regulated area: 100 Mbps / 100 Mbps \$1,010 per month, 500 Mbps / 500 Mbps \$3,090 per month and 1 Gbps / 1 Gbps \$3,250 per month.

AND WHEREAS such pricing structures place dedicated fibre services beyond the financial reach of many municipalities, small businesses, housing developments, non-profit organizations, and community facilities;

AND WHEREAS unaffordable broadband infrastructure costs undermine the intent of provincial and federal legislation aimed at universal access to high-speed internet, including federal programs administered by Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED) and regulatory oversight by the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC);

AND WHEREAS affordable, high-speed internet access is essential infrastructure and a foundational requirement for inclusive growth, housing delivery, and community resilience and municipalities are required to plan for growth, housing, and economic competitiveness, yet have no say in telecommunications pricing and market structures;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan calls upon the CRTC to examine the affordability of dedicated fibre pricing and its impact on municipal infrastructure, housing development, and equitable internet access;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan calls upon the Government of Ontario to work with telecommunications providers to ensure that broadband infrastructure costs do not impede the objectives of the *Accelerating Access to Broadband for Ontario Act, 2021* and the *Building Faster Homes and More Choice Act, 2022*;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan calls upon Bell Canada to review and revise its dedicated fibre pricing models to ensure they are affordable, transparent, and scaled appropriately for municipalities, community institutions, and local development projects;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan calls upon the Government of Canada, including ISED, to strengthen affordability requirements tied to federal broadband funding and universal access programs;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to the Prime Minister of Canada Mark Carney, the Honourable Premier Doug Ford, the Honourable Melanie Joly, Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry, the Honourable Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, the Honourable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Honourable Graydon Smith, MPP for Parry Sound–Muskoka, the Honourable Scott Aitchison, MP for Parry Sound–Muskoka, Bell Canada, the CRTC, FONOM, AMO, NOMA, and all Ontario municipalities through AMCTO.

Carried Defeated Deferred

[Signature]
Sam Dunnnett, Mayor

Recorded Vote Called by: _____

Recorded Vote

Member of Council	Yea	Nay	Absent
Bishop, Bill			
Hetherington, John			
Hind, Jon			
Kneller, Brad			
Mayor: Dunnnett, Sam			



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February 18, 2026

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RE: 6.12 Municipality of Magnetawan Council Resolution regarding Invest Ready Certified Site Designation

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on January 21, 2026 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

Resolution No. 2026-004:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That the Consent Agenda item 6.12 regarding Municipality of Magnetawan Council Resolution regarding Invest Ready Certified Site Designation be received for information; and,

That Council directs staff to send a draft a support resolution accordingly.

CARRIED



As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely,

Justine Brotherston
Municipal Clerk

CC: Honourable Scott Aitchison, MP for Parry-Sound Muskoka; FONOM; AMO; NOMA; and all Ontario Municipalities



RESOLUTION NO. 2025- 333

DECEMBER 10, 2025

Moved by:

[Redacted Name]

Seconded by:

[Redacted Name]

WHEREAS staff submitted an application for Invest Ready–Certified Site Designation, which was denied due to the absence of water, wastewater, and natural gas infrastructure;

AND WHEREAS staff subsequently met with representatives of the associated grant funding program, who advised that additional funding opportunities for rural communities would be forthcoming;

AND WHEREAS the Site Readiness Program for Industrial Properties has since been launched, with eligibility requirements stipulating that any missing infrastructure must be in place and serviceable within two years of acceptance into the grant funding program;

AND WHEREAS it is not financially feasible nor in the best interest of our ratepayers to install full municipal water, wastewater, and natural gas services, as the associated capital and operating costs would impose an undue financial burden on the Municipality’s ratepayers;

AND WHEREAS alternative servicing solutions commonly used in rural and northern Ontario—such as properly designed and maintained septic systems for wastewater, drilled wells for drinking water, and propane or hydro for heat—are proven, reliable, and effective forms of infrastructure that can safely and efficiently support industrial and commercial development;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Magnetawan urges the Province of Ontario to revise its grant funding criteria to recognize and accept these alternative servicing methods as eligible infrastructure, and to ensure that rural and northern municipalities lacking municipal gas, water, and wastewater systems are not excluded from support;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to Premier Doug Ford; the Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance; the Honourable Victor Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade; the Honourable Graydon Smith, MPP for Parry Sound–Muskoka; the Honourable Scott Aitchison, MP for Parry Sound–Muskoka; FONOM; AMO; NOMA; and all Ontario municipalities.

Carried Defeated Deferred

[Redacted Signature] Sam Dunnett, Mayor

Recorded Vote Called by: _____

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Member of Council	Yea	Nay	Absent
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March Break COMMUNITY PLAY DAYS!

AT THE KEARNEY COMMUNITY CENTRE & LIBRARY
8 MAIN STREET, KEARNEY



**OPEN GYM WITH
SPORTS AND
GAMES!**



**CRAFTS AT
THE LIBRARY!**



**BIRDS OF PREY
ON MARCH 18!**

MARCH BREAK

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Library Crafts & Storytime **11:30AM to 1:00PM**



Community Centre Open Gym **11:00AM to 2:00PM**



Special Event! Birds of Prey **1:00PM to 3:00PM**

IMPORTANT: Parent supervision required

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF KEARNEY

By-Law No.2026-09

Being a By-law to Regulate and Control Parking and Traffic in the Town of Kearney

WHEREAS the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended* authorizes a Municipality to pass by-laws respecting its highways, including parking and traffic on highways;

WHEREAS the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25 as amended* and *Ontario Regulation 333/07* This Regulation applies to Administrative Penalties that are required by a Municipality in respect of the parking, standing or stopping of vehicles and referred to in section 102.1 of the Act.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of The Town of Kearney enacts as follows:

1. Definitions

- 1.1 **“Accessible Parking Permit”** means a permit issued to a person who meets the requirements of the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario pursuant to the *Highway Traffic Act, R.S.O 1990 c. H.8*.
- 1.2 **“Authorized Sign”** means any sign or roadway, curb or sidewalk markings or other device placed or erected on a highway under the authority of this By-law for the purpose of regulating parking.
- 1.4 **“Boulevard”** means that part of a street lying between the roadway and sidewalk or where no sidewalk has been laid, that part between the roadway and the highway boundary.
- 1.5 **“By-law Enforcement Officer”** means a person appointed by the Council of the Town of Kearney for the purpose of enforcing the By-laws of the Town.
- 1.6 **“Commercial Motor Vehicle”** means a motor vehicle having permanently attached thereto a truck, or delivery body and includes ambulances, hearses, casket wagons, fire apparatus, buses and tractors used for hauling purposes on the highways.
- 1.7 **“Corner”** means a point of intersection of curbs or edges of the portion of the highway used for vehicular traffic.
- 1.8 **“Crosswalk”** means that part of a highway at an intersection that is included within the connections of the lateral lines of the sidewalks on opposite sides of the highway measured from the curbs or, in the absence of curbs, from the edges of the roadway; or any portion of a roadway at an intersection or elsewhere distinctly indicated for pedestrian crossing by signs or by lines or other markings on the surface.
- 1.9 **“Designated Fire Route”** means any private roadway, lane, ramp or other means of vehicular access to or egress from a building and it may include part of a parking lot set aside for use by authorized emergency vehicles.
- 1.10 **“Designated Parking Space”** means a parking space designated for the sole use of motor vehicles displaying a valid accessible parking permit.
- 1.11 **“Highway”** (See “Street or Highway”)

- 1.12 **“Intersection”** means the area embraced within the prolongation or connection of the lateral curb lines or, if none, then of the lateral boundary lines of two or more highways that join one another at an angle, whether or not one highway crosses the other.
- 1.13 **“Motor Vehicle”** includes an automobile, motorcycle, motor assisted bicycle unless otherwise indicated in this By-law and any other vehicle propelled or driven otherwise than by muscular power; but does not include a streetcar or other motor vehicles running on rails, or motorized snow vehicle, traction engine, farm tractor, self-propelled implement of husbandry or road building machine within the meaning of the *Highway Traffic Act, R.S.O. 1990* and amendments thereto.
- 1.14 **“One Way Street”** means a street upon which vehicular traffic is limited to movement in one direction.
- 1.15 **“Park” or “Parking”** when prohibited, means the standing of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, except when standing temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading merchandise or passengers.
- 1.16 **“Pedestrian”** means a person afoot, invalid, and children in wheeled carriages.
- 1.17 **“Police Officer”** means a member of the Ontario Provincial Police or a person authorized by the Commander of the Ontario Provincial Police Detachment to regulate or direct traffic.
- 1.18 **“Roadway”** means the part of the highway that is improved, designed or ordinarily used for vehicular traffic, but does not include the shoulder, and, where a highway includes two or more separate roadways, the term “roadway” refers to any one roadway separately and not to all of the roadways collectively.
- 1.19 **“Sidewalk”** means that portion of a street between the curb lines or the lateral lines of a roadway and the adjacent property lines intended for the use of pedestrians.
- 1.20 **“School Purpose Vehicle”** means a vehicle operated under contract with a Board of Education that meets all the standards of the Highway Traffic Act and Regulations.
- 1.21 **“Stand” or “Standing”** when prohibited, means the halting of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, except for the purpose of and while actually engaged in receiving or discharging passengers or merchandise.
- 1.22 **“Stop” or “Stopping”**, when prohibited, means the halting of a vehicle, even momentarily, whether occupied or not, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or of a traffic control sign or signal.
- 1.23 **“Street” or “Highway”** includes a common and public highway, street, avenue, parkway, driveway, square, place, bridge, viaduct or trestle, any part of which is intended for or used by the general public for the passage of vehicles and includes the area between the lateral property lines thereof.
- 1.24 **“Traffic”** includes pedestrians, ridden or herded animals, vehicles, street cars and other conveyances either singly or together while using any street for purposes of travel.
- 1.25 **“Traffic Control device”** means any sign; or roadway, curb, or sidewalk marking; or other device erected or placed under the authority of the Municipal Council for the purpose of guiding or directing traffic.
- 1.26 **“Traffic Signal”** means any device manually, electrically or mechanically operated for the regulation of traffic.

- 1.27 **“Through Highway”** means any highway or part of a highway designated as such by the Minister of Transportation or by by-law of the Town and, every such highway shall be marked by a stop sign or yield sign, right-of-way sign in compliance with the Regulations of the Ministry.
- 1.28 **“Vehicle”** includes a motor vehicle, trailer, traction engine, farm tractor, road building machinery, and any vehicle drawn, propelled or driven by any kind of power, including muscular power, but does not include a motorized snow vehicle.

2. General

2.1 Application of By-law

Save where otherwise specifically provided, the provisions of this By-law shall apply to:

- a) all highways and parts of highways under the jurisdiction of the Town of Kearney
- b) all public lanes or alleys that have been established by a By-law of the Council

2.2 Enforcement

The Ontario Provincial Police, Fire Chief and By-law Enforcement Officer shall enforce the provisions of this By-law.

2.3 Obedience to Traffic Signs and Signals

Every person shall promptly obey all signals given either by a Police Officer or by a traffic control device or a traffic signal.

2.4 Administration

That Council approves this By-law substantially in the format of providing for small amendments to be made by Staff that do not change the intent of the By-law.

3. Method of Parking

3.1 Parallel

No person shall park a vehicle on any street unless on the right-hand side of the street, having regard for the direction in which the vehicle had been proceeding and unless the right-front and right-rear wheels or runners of the vehicle are parallel to and a distance respectively not more than six inches from the edge of the roadway, unless prevented from doing so by an accumulation of snow in winter;

3.2 Angle

Where angle parking is permitted, no person shall park a vehicle except at an angle of forty-five degrees with the edge of the roadway and so that the front end of the vehicle is nearest to the edge of the roadway.

3.3 Right Angle

Where right-angle parking is permitted, no person shall park a vehicle except at an angle of ninety degrees with the edge of the roadway.

3.4 One-way streets

Where parking is permitted on a one-way street, a person may park a vehicle facing only in the direction in which it was proceeding and with the left-front and left rear wheels parallel to and distant not more than six inches from the edge of the roadway, provided that this provision shall not apply where parking on the right-hand side of a one-way street is specifically authorized by By-law.

3.5 Parking Spaces

Where parking spaces are distinctly marked on a street no person shall park a vehicle except within the marked area so that no part of the vehicle encroaches on an adjacent parking space, aisle or traffic lane unless the vehicle cannot be accommodated in one parking space.

4. Parking & Stopping Regulation

4.1 Parking Prohibited – General

- a) No person shall park a vehicle in any of the following places:
- i) on or overhanging the sidewalk or curb;
 - ii) on that portion of a boulevard that is not intended for the use by vehicles and that portion of the boulevard between the sidewalk and curb;
 - iii) in front of or within 1.5 meters of the entrance to a driveway or so as to prevent ingress to or exit from such driveway;
 - iv) within an intersection;
 - v) within three (3) meters of a fire hydrant;
 - vi) within a designated fire route;
 - vii) within fifteen (15) meters of any railway track which crosses the roadway or is adjacent to a roadway;
 - viii) within nine (9) meters of an intersecting roadway unless specified
 - ix) on any bridge;
 - x) in such a position as will prevent the convenient removal of any other vehicle previously parked or standing;
 - xi) in front of the entrance to a theatre, auditorium, or other building where large assemblies are being held in such theatre, auditorium or other building or for a reasonable time immediately preceding and following such assemblages;
 - xii) on the approaches, turning, or ramp areas to any Public Boat Launching Ramp in such a manner as to interfere with the launching or landing of any water craft;
 - xiii) on any highway for the purpose of repairing, washing, or maintenance of a vehicle, save when such use of the highway is unavoidable through emergency;
 - xiv) on any highway for the purpose of soliciting, vending, buying or selling goods and/or service otherwise permitted by By-law;
 - xv) on a crosswalk
 - xvi) on any highway so as to obstruct or prohibit snow removal operations
 - xvii) on any highway if it is immobile or unlicensed for the current year
- b) No vehicle shall stand or park on any street within the Town where the effect of the standing or parking would obstruct the passage of vehicles on the street.
- c) No person shall park a vehicle from November 1st to April 15th, on a highway under the jurisdiction of the Town of Kearney.

4.2 Parking Prohibited - In specific places where authorized signs displayed

- a) When authorized signs have been erected and are on display, no person shall park a vehicle in any of the following places:
- i) on any highways or parts of highways named or described in Schedule A of this By-law, on the side or sides of highways set out in the said schedule, during the times and/or days set out in the said schedule;
 - ii) on any public lane;
 - iii) in a cul-de-sac along the turn around;
 - iv) on any highway within fifteen (15) meters of the termination of a dead end highway;
 - v) within thirty (30) meters of an intersection controlled by traffic control signals;
 - vi) within fifteen (15) meters of an intersection; (unless specified or permitted)
- b) **Bus Loading Zones**
When authorized signs have been erected and are on display, no person shall park, stop or stand a vehicle with the exception of a School Purpose Vehicle during the process of loading or unloading pupils in a designated Bus Loading Zone.

4.3 Loading and Unloading Commercial Vehicles

- a) No person engaged in the loading or unloading of a commercial vehicle shall permit his vehicle to stand for a period longer than the actual loading or unloading required.
- b) Notwithstanding anything contained elsewhere in this By-law, where a lane is located at the rear or to the side of premises to or from which the loading or unloading is to be carried out, the loading or unloading shall be made from the lane.
- c) Where ever possible, vehicles shall be loaded or unloaded from the side and be parked within 6 inches of the curb.

4.4 Stopping Prohibited - In Specific Places where authorized signs displayed

No person shall stop a vehicle, unless otherwise permitted in this By-law, on any highways or parts of highways, on the side or sides of highways unless authorized signs have been erected.

4.5 Stopping Prohibited – General

- a) No person shall stop a vehicle in any of the following places:
 - i) on a sidewalk;
 - ii) on a crosswalk;
 - iii) within a designated fire route;
 - iv) within a school bus loading zone;
 - v) on, under or within 30 meters of a bridge, elevated structure, tunnel and/or underpass; (unless specified or permitted)
 - vi) on a highway alongside another vehicle which is stopped, standing or parked except where such stopping, standing or parking is in compliance with traffic control signals, authorized signs or other lawful traffic control method.

4.6 Parked on Private or Municipal Property without Consent

- a) No vehicle shall be parked on Private Property without the consent of the owner or adult occupant of the property.
- b) No person shall park, store, or permit the parking or storage of any vehicle of any type on any portion of Municipal property, including parking areas and driveways, during overnight hours without prior express written authorization from the Town of Kearney or if the parking is taking place in a designated carpool lot by the Town of Kearney.

4.7 Accessible Parking Regulations

- a) A designated parking space shall be distinctly indicated in accordance with the requirements of the *Highway Traffic Act* and the regulations made thereunder.
- b) No person shall park, stop or stand a vehicle in a designated accessible parking space, or be entitled to the benefit of an exemption under this by-law, unless a currently valid accessible parking permit has been issued to that person or to a passenger being picked up or transported in such vehicle, and such permit is displayed on or in the vehicle in accordance with the *Highway Traffic Act*.
- c) Every person having possession of an accessible parking permit shall, on the demand of a police officer, police cadet, municipal law enforcement officer or an officer appointed for carrying out the provisions of the *Highway Traffic Act*, surrender the permit for reasonable inspection to ensure compliance with the provisions of the *Highway Traffic Act*, the regulations made thereunder and this by-law.
- d) No person shall hinder or obstruct, or attempt to hinder or obstruct, any person exercising a power or performing a duty under the *Highway Traffic Act*, the regulations made thereunder and this by-law

4.8 Temporary “No Parking” or “No Stopping” Signs

- a) The Ontario Provincial Police, Public Works Department, Fire Department, By-law Enforcement Department may erect or cause to be erected “No Parking” and “No Stopping” signs in such places and for such temporary periods as may be reasonably necessary or advisable and no person shall park or stop their vehicle in accordance with said authorized signs.
- b) Pursuant to the above section, no unauthorized person may remove, alter, injure, obstruct or otherwise interfere with an authorized sign erected.

4.9 Exemptions

- a) The provisions of this By-law respecting parking, stopping or standing of vehicles shall not apply to:
 - i) Emergency Vehicles where the operator is engaged in the performance of their duty;
 - ii) motor vehicles forming part of a funeral cortege, provided that all such vehicles are parked only on one side of the highway at one time;
 - iii) a motor vehicle that has been rendered immobile due to mechanical failure, provided that the owner of said vehicle has removed the vehicle within 24 hours of the breakdown so long as the vehicle is not impeding traffic;
 - iv) a municipally owned or leased vehicle, where the operator is engaged in work on behalf of the Town;
 - v) a motor vehicle during any emergency which includes and is not limited to fire, flood, or other natural disaster, road repairs or maintenance, or public utility maintenance or repair and any circumstances in which *section 134 of the Highway Traffic Act, R.S.O., 1990*, applies.
- b) Any person may make application to Council to be granted an exemption from the time limited parking regulations. The request must provide specific dates, times, locations and reasons for the exemption. Council, by resolution, may refuse, allow or alter the requested exemption. Breach by the applicant of any of the terms or conditions of any exemption granted by Council shall render the exemption null and void.

5. Traffic Regulation

5.1 Through Streets

Through Highways as defined in the Highway Traffic Act. Every operator or driver of vehicle shall, immediately before entering or crossing any one of these streets, bring the vehicle to a full stop.

5.2 Intersection Yield Signs

The highways or parts of highways in the Town, where Yield Right-of-Way Signs are installed or shall hereinafter be installed and as listed in the appropriate schedule of this By-law shall be designated as "Yield Right-of-Way" Intersections.

5.3 One-Way Streets

When authorized signs have been erected and are on display, the highways or parts of highways will be named or described in a schedule to this by-law which therefore designates them as one-way highways in the direction of travel stated in the said schedule.

5.4 Community Safety Zones

When authorized signs have been erected and are on display, the highways or parts of highways named or described in Schedule "B" to this by-law are designated as Community Safety Zones.

5.5 Turn Movement Prohibition

When authorized signs have been erected and are on display prohibiting a U-turn, no person operating a vehicle shall disobey the sign and execute a U-turn.

6. Traffic Control Devices

- 6.1 The Superintendent of Public Works, or designate, is hereby authorized and directed to erect and maintain such signs, traffic control signals, markings, barricades, traffic control devices and other structures and equipment as are required to give effect to this By-law and as are required to regulate, direct, warn or guide pedestrian and vehicular traffic for the safety and convenience of the public.
- 6.2 The Superintendent of Public Works, or designate, is authorized to temporarily remove or otherwise annul such parking regulation signs and other traffic control devices as may be necessary to accommodate the interests of the Town.
- 6.3 Save as may be otherwise more specifically provided in this By-law or the Highway Traffic Act, it shall be an Offence against the provisions of this By-law for any person to fail to comply with the directions of any Official Traffic Sign or Traffic Control Device Regulating Traffic on a Highway.

7. Enforcement

- 7.1. Where a vehicle is found parked in violation of the provisions of this By-law, the By-law Enforcement Officer, or Fire Chief so finding the vehicle may attach to the vehicle a Certificate of Parking Infraction, or Administrative monetary penalty which states:
- a) the license number of the vehicle and any other identification tag marking, if any, of such vehicle.
 - b) the date, time and location when such vehicle is parked in violation of any of the provisions of this By-law
 - c) that the vehicle has violated the provisions of the By-law and nature of the alleged offence.
 - d) that the owner or operator thereof may report to the Corporation within fifteen (15) days after the date the Certificate of Parking Infraction was issued to make voluntary payment of the penalty indicated on said certificate.
- 7.2 The owner of a motor vehicle may be charged with and convicted of an offence for contravention of any provision of this By-law for which the driver of the vehicle is subject to be charged unless, at the time of the offence, the vehicle was in the possession of some person other than the owner without the owner's consent.

7.3 Vehicle Towing

In addition to any other penalties provided for in this By-law, a By-law Enforcement Officer, Superintendent of Public Works, Fire Officer or Designate or Ontario Provincial Police, where a vehicle is in contravention of this By-law, at their discretion, may cause the vehicle to be removed, taken away and stored in a suitable place and all costs and charges incurred are the responsibility of the owner of said vehicle and shall be a lien, upon the vehicle, which lien may be enforced in the manner provided for by the *Repair and Storage Liens Act, R.S.O., 1990, Chapter R.25, as amended*.

8. Penalties

Every person who contravenes any provision of this By-law is guilty of an offence and upon conviction, shall be liable to a fine of not more than five thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars, as provided for in the **Provincial Offences Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P. 33**

9. Schedules

The schedules to this By-law shall be deemed to form part of this By-law.

10. Severability

If any section or sections of this By-law or parts thereof are found by a court of law to be illegal or beyond the power of Council to enact, such section or sections or parts thereof shall be deemed to be severable and all other sections or parts of this by-law shall be deemed to be separate and independent therefrom and to be enacted as such.

11. Conflict

If a provision of this By-law conflicts with an Act or regulation or another By-law the provision that is the most restrictive shall prevail.

12. Repealed By-Laws

This By-law repeals By-law _____ and any amendments thereof.

13. Effective Date

This By-law shall come into force and take effect upon the date of its passing, as it pertains to Administrative Monetary Penalties, and The Town of Kearney's Current Fees and Charges By-law.

This By-law shall come into force and take effect upon the Set Fine approval by the Attorney General's Office, as it pertains to Provincial Offences Act matters.

14. Schedule D

Part II Offences short form wording and set fines for such offences

Once the by-law has been approved, the short form wording and set fines will be applied for with the Provincial Offences Courts to have them approved.

These offences can be issued as Part II ticketing on the persons committing the offences on the day of the offence, or within 30 days of the offence.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME, passed, signed and the Corporate Seal attached hereto, this February day of 26th, 2026.

THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF KEARNEY

Mayor

Clerk

Schedule "A" Parking Prohibited

Street	From	To	Side	Period
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Schedule "B" Community Safety Zone

Street	From	To	Side	Rate of Speed

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Schedule "C" Fire Routes

Street	From	To
Main Street	No parking sign east of 111 Main St	No parking sign west of 111 Main St

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**The Corporation of the Town of Kearney
Part II Provincial Offences Act
Bylaw 2026-09: Parking**

Schedule “D”

ITEM	COLUMN 1 SHORT FORM WORDING	COLUMN 2 PROVISION CREATING OR DEFINING OFFENCE	COLUMN 3 EARLY VOLUNTARY PAYMENT (payable within 7 days)	COLUMN 4 SET FINE
1	Park facing the wrong direction.	3.1	\$50.00	\$75.00
2	Park not at a 45-degree angle.	3.2	\$50.00	\$75.00
3	Park not at a 90-degree angle.	3.3	\$50.00	\$75.00
4	Park on wrong side of one-way street.	3.4	\$50.00	\$75.00
5	Park not wholly within a parking space.	3.5	\$50.00	\$75.00
6	Park on sidewalk.	4.1(a)(i)	\$50.00	\$75.00
7	Park on boulevard.	4.1(a)(ii)	\$50.00	\$75.00
8	Park obstructing driveway.	4.1(a)(iii)	\$50.00	\$75.00
9	Park within intersection.	4.1(a)(iv)	\$50.00	\$75.00
10	Park within 3 m of fire hydrant.	4.1(a)(v)	\$50.00	\$75.00
11	Park within fire route.	4.1(a)(vi)	\$50.00	\$75.00
12	Park within 15 m of railway tracks.	4.1(a)(vii)	\$50.00	\$75.00
13	Park within 9 metres of an intersecting roadway.	4.1(a)(viii)	\$50.00	\$75.00
14	Park on a bridge.	4.1(a)(ix)	\$50.00	\$75.00
15	Park obstructing other vehicle(s).	4.1(a)(x)	\$50.00	\$75.00
16	Park obstructing theater, auditorium or other places of assembly entrance.	4.1(a)(xi)	\$50.00	\$75.00
17	Park obstructing public boat launch and ramp.	4.1(a)(xii)	\$50.00	\$75.00

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18	Park for the purpose of repairing, washing or maintenance of vehicle.	4.1(a)(xiii)	\$50.00	\$75.00
19	Park for the purpose of soliciting.	4.1(a)(xiv)	\$50.00	\$75.00
20	Park obstructing crosswalk.	4.1(a)(xv)	\$50.00	\$75.00
21	Park obstructing snow removal.	4.1(a)(xvi)	\$50.00	\$75.00
22	Park immobile or unlicensed vehicle.	4.1(a)(xvii)	\$50.00	\$75.00
23	Park obstructing traffic.	4.1(b)	\$50.00	\$75.00
24	Park during prohibited times.	4.1(c)	\$50.00	\$75.00
25	Park in prohibited area.	4.2(a)(i)	\$50.00	\$75.00
26	Park in public lane.	4.2(a)(ii)	\$50.00	\$75.00
28	Park within 15 metres of dead end.	4.2(a)(iv)	\$50.00	\$75.00
29	Park within 30 metres of intersection controlled by traffic control signals.	4.2(a)(v)	\$50.00	\$75.00
30	Park within 15 metres of intersection.	4.2(a)(vi)	\$50.00	\$75.00
31	Park within bus loading zone.	4.3	\$50.00	\$75.00
32	Park commercial vehicle longer than loading and unloading time.	4.4(a)	\$50.00	\$75.00
33	Stop within no stopping area.	4.5(a)	\$50.00	\$75.00
34	Stop on sidewalk.	4.5(a)(i)	\$50.00	\$75.00
35	Stop on crosswalk.	4.5(a)(ii)	\$50.00	\$75.00
36	Stop within fire route.	4.5(a)(iii)	\$50.00	\$75.00
37	Stop within bus loading zone.	4.5(a)(iv)	\$50.00	\$75.00
38	Stop within 30 metres of bridge, elevated structure, tunnel or underpass.	4.5(a)(v)	\$50.00	\$75.00

ITEM	COLUMN 1 SHORT FORM WORDING	COLUMN 2 PROVISION CREATING OR DEFINING OFFENCE	COLUMN 3 EARLY VOLUNTARY PAYMENT (payable within 7 days)	COLUMN 4 SET FINE
39	Park on private property without consent.	4.6(a)	\$50.00	\$75.00
40	Park on municipal property without consent.	4.6(b)	\$50.00	\$75.00
41	Park in a designated accessible parking space without a valid permit.	4.7(b)	n/a	\$300.00

Note: the general penalty provision for the offences listed above is section 8 of Bylaw 2026-09, a certified copy of which has been filed.

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF KEARNEY

By-Law No. 2026-10

Being a By-law to authorize the signing of an agreement

between

The Corporation of the Town of Kearney

and

Tatham Engineering Inc.

WHEREAS Section 5 (3) of the *Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c.25*, as amended, requires a municipal Council to exercise its powers by By-law unless specifically authorized to do otherwise;

AND WHEREAS Section 8 of the *Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c.25*, as amended, authorizes broad authority on the municipality to enable the municipality to govern its affairs as it considers appropriate and to enhance the municipality's ability to respond to municipal issues;

AND WHEREAS Section 9 of the *Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c.25*, as amended, provides that "a municipality has the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person for the purpose of exercising its authority under this or any other Act";

AND WHEREAS the Corporation of the Town of Kearney deems it expedient to enter into an agreement with Tatham Engineering Inc. to extend their role as the Town's Engineer of Record until December 31st 2027;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Kearney enacts as follows:

1. That the Corporation of the Town of Kearney enter into a services agreement substantially in the format attached hereto as "this Agreement".
2. That the Mayor and the Clerk be authorized to execute all documentation necessary to fulfill the agreement.
3. That this By-law come into effect as of the date of passing.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME, passed, signed and the Corporate Seal attached hereto, this 26th day of February, 2026.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF KEARNEY**

Mayor

Clerk