

The Corporation of the Town of Kearney

8 Main Street Box 38 Kearney ON P0A 1M0

MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Council Chambers

Friday, December 6th, 2019

1:00 p.m.

Council Members Present: Mayor Carol Ballantyne
Councillors: Cheryl Philip; Mike Rickward; Liz Stermsek; and Paul Ziraldo

Staff Present: Brenda J. Fraser, CAO|Clerk|Treasurer
Keven Beaucage, Deputy Clerk, Deputy Treasurer
Marjorie Robinson, Financial Consultant

1. **Call the Meeting to Order**

Res. No. 1/06/12/2019 Paul Ziraldo, Mike Rickward

BE IT RESOLVED that the Regular Council Meeting of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney on December 6th, 2019 be declared open and called to order at 1:02 p.m. **CARRIED**

A moment of silence was held to honour the memory of Rosalind Jakeman.

2. **Approval of Agenda**

Res. No. 2/06/12/2019 Cheryl Philip, Liz Stermsek

BE IT RESOLVED that the Agenda of the Regular Council Meeting of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney on December 6th, 2019 be adopted as circulated. **CARRIED**

3. **Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof**

Councillor Mike Rickward declared a pecuniary interest with regard to Cheque # 29399 – Fire Department UTV Service, with the reason being: Family Business.

4. **Delegations/Presentations**

(a) **Delegations**

(i) **Chris Bevan, Kennedy Insurance Brokers Inc. re:** Renewal Report for 2020 Municipal Insurance Program

Mr. Kennedy presented the 2020 Insurance renewal report.

(ii) **Stan Walker, Chair, Kearney Watershed Environmental Foundation re:** Report on Benthic Study and request for funding

Mr. Walker provided an update with regard to the 2019 Benthic Study and requested funds to support the sampling program in 2020.

(iii) **Joe Lumley, Councillor at Perry Township re:** Regional Recreation Committee
Councillor Lumley invited Kearney to join with neighboring municipalities in a regional recreation committee.

(b) **Presentations – Nil**

5. **Minutes**

(a) **Adoption of Minutes**

(i) **Regular Meeting, Draft Minutes – November 15, 2019**

(ii) **Special Meeting, Draft Minutes – November 22, 2019**

Res. No. 5(a)(i)-(ii)/06/12/2019 Cheryl Philip, Liz Stermsek

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney approves the Minutes of the Council Meeting(s) as follows:

(i) **Regular Meeting, Draft Minutes – November 15, 2019**

(ii) **Special Meeting, Draft Minutes – November 22, 2019**

CARRIED

(b) **Receive Committee Minutes**

(i) **Almaguin Highland Health Centre Committee: Draft Minutes – November 8, 2019.**

(ii) **East Parry Sound Veterinary Service Committee: Annual Minutes, April 1, 2019**

(iii) **Joint Waste Management Committee: Draft Minutes – November 27, 2019**

Res. No. 5(b)(i)-(iii)/06/12/2019 Mike Rickward, Paul Ziraldo

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney receive the following Advisory Committee Minutes:

- (i) **Almaguin Highland Health Centre Committee:** *Draft Minutes* – November 8, 2019.
- (ii) **East Parry Sound Veterinary Service Committee:** Annual Minutes, April 1, 2019
- (iii) **Joint Waste Management Committee:** *Draft Minutes* – November 27, 2019

CARRIED

6. **Committee Resolutions for Consideration** – Nil

7. **Public Meetings (Pursuant to the *Planning Act*)** - Nil

8. **Public Meetings (Pursuant to the *Municipal Act*)** - Nil

9. **Unfinished Business** – Nil

10. **Reports and By-laws**

(a) **Building** - Nil

(b) **Planning**

(i) **Report and Resolution re:** CONSENT APPLICATIONS B-032/19 & B-033/19 (DE MONTMORENCY)

Res. No. 10(b)(i)/06/12/2019 Liz Stermsek, Cheryl Philip

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney recommends approval of consent applications B-032/19 & B-033/19 (DE MONTMORENCY) subject to the following conditions:

That payment in lieu of a parkland dedication be paid in accordance with Section 51.1 of the Planning Act;

That a draft reference plan of survey be provided to the Town of Kearney for review prior to registration;

That any deviation of the travelled portion of the road which encroaches onto the subject property be surveyed and deeded to the Municipality:

That four copies of the reference plan of survey be provided to the Town of Kearney;

That confirmation be received from the Operations Manager that there are no concerns with respect to access to the proposed lots; and

That the applicant enter into an agreement with the Town, to be registered on title, to provide notice to any purchaser of the lands that the lots are located in close proximity to licensed mineral aggregate operations and may be subject to noise, dust or other nuisance impacts.

CARRIED

(c) **Operations** - Nil

(d) **Administration**

(i) **Resolution re:** Withdrawal of By-law No. 2019-37 (Wild Connections)

Res. No. 10(d)(i)/06/12/2019 Mike Rickward, Paul Ziraldo

WHEREAS Application RZ-01-19 was received from 1819543 Ontario Ltd. to amend Zoning By-law No. 2002-28 as amended, to allow for a Zoo/Wildlife Education Centre;

AND WHEREAS on August 2, 2019, By-law No. 2019-37 was given second reading and Council passed Resolution No. 10(b)(v)/02/08/2019 stipulating a number of conditions to be met prior to By-law No. 2019-37 receiving Third Reading;

AND WHEREAS the applicant has withdrawn Application RZ-01-19 (1819543 Ontario Ltd.);

NOW THEREFORE Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney does hereby WITHDRAW By-law No. 2019-37;

AND FURTHER any Resolutions or By-laws inconsistent with this Resolution are also hereby withdrawn.

CARRIED

(ii) **Resolution re:** Appoint judges for Christmas Lights Contest

Res. No. 10(d)(ii)/06/12/2019 Liz Stermsek, Cheryl Philip

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby appoints Liz Stermsek, Carol Ballantyne, Stacy Taylor and Mike Rickward as judges for the Christmas Lights Contest.

CARRIED

(iii) **By-law No. 2019 - xx re:** New Procedural By-law

Res. No. 10(d)(iii)/06/12/2019 Paul Ziraldo, Liz Stermsek

By-law No. 2019-57, Being a By-law to Govern the Calling, Place and Proceedings of Meetings of the Council and Committees, be read a first, second and third time and numbered 2019-57 and that the said By-law be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the Seal of the Corporation and be engrossed in the By-law Book.

CARRIED

(iv) **Resolution re:** Attendance at ROMA

Res. No. 10(d)(iv)/06/12/2019 Mike Rickward, Paul Ziraldo

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney authorizes the attendance of Councillor Rickward and Brenda Fraser at the 2020 Rural Ontario Municipal Conference on January 19th – 21st, 2020 in Toronto, Ontario.

CARRIED

(v) **Resolution re:** Attendance at AMO

Res. No. 10(d)(v)/06/12/2019 Liz Stermsek, Cheryl Philip

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney authorizes the attendance of Councillor Cheryl Philip at the 2020 Association of Municipalities of Ontario Convergence on August 16th – 19th, 2020 in Ottawa, Ontario.

CARRIED

(e) **Treasury**

(i) **Report and Resolution re:** Payment Register

Res. No. 10(e)(i)/06/12/2019 Cheryl Philip, Liz Stermsek

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney has received the 'List of Accounts' and has no objections to be noted with regard to Cheques #29352 to #29415 in the total amount of \$135,160.88.

CARRIED

(ii) **Report re:** Statement of Revenues and Expenses for the period ending October 31, 2019 – **Report only.**

(iii) **Resolution re:** Unconditional funding to support small and rural municipalities' efforts to help modernize service delivery

Res. No. 10(e)(iii)/06/12/2019 Cheryl Philip, Liz Stermsek

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario provided a one-time unconditional payment of \$410,600 to the Corporation of the Town of Kearney to support small and rural municipalities' efforts to help modernize service delivery and reduce future costs through investments in projects;
AND WHEREAS Council authorized placing these funds in a GIC with Kawartha Credit Union until such time as it was determined how the payment would be spent;
AND WHEREAS the Town receives a higher interest rate in their Treasury Operating Account;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney authorizes Staff to leave these funds in the Town's Treasury Operating Account until such time as it is determined how the payment is to be spent or until GIC's have a higher interest rate available;

AND FURTHER Resolution No. 3.3/25/04/2019 is hereby rescinded.

CARRIED

(f) **Fire and Emergency Services**

(i) **Report re:** Fire Chief, Fire Department Report for regular Council meeting on December 6, 2019. – **Report only.**

(ii) **Report re:** Regional Fire Department – **Report only.**

(g) **Transfer Station**

(i) **Report re:** November 15 – November 26, 2019 – **Report only.**

(h) **Council Presentations - Nil**

11. **Correspondence**

(a) **Action Items**

(i) **Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville, request for support of Resolution re:** Ban of Single-Use Disposable Wipes

Res. No. 11(a)(i)/06/12/2019 Mike Rickward, Paul Ziraldo

WHEREAS Single-use wipes are a Six Billion Dollar industry and growing and are now being advertised as a clean alternative to toilet paper that is safe to flush;

AND WHEREAS Single-use wipes accumulate in the sewer system and eventually clog the sanitary sewer system requiring significant additional repair and maintenance;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Enforcement Sewer Use Group estimates non-flushable materials cause \$259 million in annual repairs across Canada;

AND WHEREAS a 2019 study released by Ryerson University tested 101 types of single-use disposable wipes and found that all of the wipes failed basic requirements of flushable products;

AND WHEREAS there is no one standard for what the word 'flushable' means;

AND WHEREAS there is a lack of public awareness of the impact caused by non-flushable wipes being flushed down toilets and consumer education and outreach could play a large part in reducing the impact;

AND WHEREAS Single-use wipes, even when properly disposed of as waste, are an inefficient and unsustainable use of resources that contribute significantly to environmental degradation;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney joins in lobbying the Provincial and Federal Governments to ban single-use disposable wipes; **AND FURTHER** that this Resolution be forwarded to the Right Honourable Prime Minister of Canada, the Honourable Premier of Ontario, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Honourable Norm Miller, MPP, Parry Sound – Muskoka. **CARRIED**

(ii) Almaguin Community Economic Development, request for support of Resolution re: Broadband Expansion in Almaguin

Res. No. 11(a)(ii)/06/12/2019 Paul Ziraldo, Mike Rickward

WHEREAS access to affordable and reliable broadband networks is an important part of everyday life and key to economic, education, social and health development;

AND WHEREAS communities outside urban centres face challenges in accessing internet service levels comparable to those in cities due to factors such as low population, distance and challenging terrain;

AND WHEREAS we believe future ICT infrastructure investment in our community would benefit from a holistic model that takes into account the connectivity needs of regional community partnerships rather than just one community;

AND WHEREAS this regional partnership should begin with a comprehensive needs analysis conducted by Blue Sky Net, a publicly funded non-profit development corporation using their expertise and data based mapping tool - (BAIMAP- Broadband and Associated Infrastructure Mapping Analysis Project);

AND WHEREAS from the analysis and public consultation Blue Sky Net will conduct, it will be determined where internet gaps remain while also acknowledging what may be the best technology to fill these gaps based on access to the closest ICT infrastructure like fibre or other existing network infrastructure;

AND WHEREAS once we determine priority areas we propose establishing three classes of gaps,

- 1) Gaps in fibre/backbone infrastructure;
- 2) Gaps in last mile/local access to business and residents; and
- 3) Gaps in access in remote/very isolated area;

AND WHEREAS the Federal and Provincial governments are proposing funding programs that will support the implementation of Broadband projects and will require this in-dept information, we would propose;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney supports Blue Sky Net leading a steering committee to which a representative from the Town of Kearney will be appointed and that Blue Sky Net work with this committee during the period of analysis, funding application and any subsequent RfP engagement. **CARRIED**

(iii) District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration Board re: District of Parry Sound Ontario Health Team

Res. No. 11(a)(iii)/06/12/2019 Cheryl Philip, Liz Stermsek

WHEREAS the Ontario Government has announced the formation of new Ontario Health Teams and these teams are tasked with the coordination of integrated seamless healthcare services in the districts where they serve. The Northeast LHIN staff are directing the Ontario Health Teams and they are starting to form in Northern Ontario. The Nipissing OHT was given a green light to proceed without consultation with the District of Parry Sound. It appears that the proposed OHT models currently in play will split our region in three (3) pieces. Given the chronic lack of primary care, the chronic shortage of long-term care and the fractured mental health and addictions services, we are exceptionally concerned;

AND WHEREAS the District of Parry Sound has one of the worst health equity rates in the Province of Ontario, the need for a unified District of Parry Sound is required to address our chronic issues. According to Statistics Canada, the District of Parry Sound has the fastest growth in aging population in Northern Ontario and has very unique needs and challenges. A united OHT is required to ensure our District is not forgotten or neglected;

AND WHEREAS a united District of Parry Sound OHT is requested from the Province of Ontario, for without this, our District will be left fighting for resources with large urban centres without a significant rural base. We need a model that respects the District of Parry Sound citizens and is focused on the District of Parry Sound needs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney supports the request for a united District of Parry Sound OHT so as not to further fracture services in the District of Parry Sound with the region potentially split into three (3) separate Ontario Health Teams;

AND FURTHER that this Resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Long-Term Care; the Minister for Mental Health and Addiction; the Honourable MPP Norm Miller; FONOM Chair; NOMA Chair; the Ontario Health Team Board; NE LHIN CEO; and the AMO Chair. **CARRIED**

(b) Information Items

- (i) Township of Armour re: ASHH Meeting Notes**
- (ii) District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration Board re: November 2019 CAO Report**
- (iii) Verna & Harvey Rickward re: Card of Thanks**
- (iv) Muskoka Algonquin Health Care re: MAHC submits Stage 1 Proposal to Ministry of Health**

12. Other Business – Nil

13. Closed Session

Council will enter into a Closed Session for discussion regarding:

- (a) A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board.**

Res. No. 13(a)-(b)/06/12/2019 Paul Ziraldo, Mike Rickward

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the town of Kearney enters into Closed Session in accordance with Section 239, (1), (2), (3) and (3.1) of the Municipal Act, c. 25, S.O. 2001, as amended, at 2:26 p.m. for discussion regarding:

- (a) the security of the property of the Municipality or local board;**
- (b) Litigation or potential litigation including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality or local board.**

CARRIED

Res. No. 13(c)/06/12/2019 Liz Stermsek, Cheryl Philip

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney reconvene in Open Session. Closed Session adjourned at 3:03 p.m.

CARRIED

14. Business Arising from Closed Session

Mayor Ballantyne reported on matters discussed in Closed Session.

15. Confirming By-Law

By-Law 2019-xx being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its Special Meeting held on November 22nd, 2019, at its Special Meeting held on December 6th, 2019 and at its Regular Meeting held on December 6th, 2019.

Res. No. 15/06/12/2019 Liz Stermsek, Mike Rickward

By-law No. 2019-58, Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its Special Meeting held on November 22nd, 2019, at its Special Meeting held on December 6th, 2019 and at its Regular Meeting held on December 6th, 2019, be read a first, second and third time and numbered 2019-58 and that the said By-law be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the Seal of the Corporation, and engrossed in the By-law Book.

CARRIED

16. Adjournment

Res. No. 16/06/12/2019 Paul Ziraldo, Mike Rickward

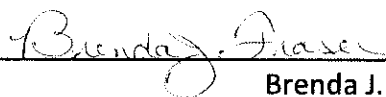
BE IT RESOLVED that the Regular Council Meeting of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney adjourn at 3:07 p.m. to meet again at 10:30 a.m. on December 13th, 2019 in the Council Chambers, Kearney, Ontario.

CARRIED

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF KEARNEY**



Carol Ballantyne, Mayor



Brenda J. Fraser, Clerk