

# The Corporation of the Town of Kearney

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Chambers

Thursday, November 9, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.

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**Council Members Present:**

Mayor: Cheryl Philip  
Deputy Mayor: Michael Rickward  
Councillors: Keven Beaucage, Heather Pateman and  
Jill Sharer

**Staff Present:**

Nicole Gourlay, Clerk Administrator (C-A)  
Cindy Filmore, Deputy Clerk (DC)

1. **Call the Meeting to Order** – the meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm

*A Moment of Silence was observed to honour the memory of Dan D'Angelis, the memory of Norman Mitson and to honour the memory of the sacrifice of our Veterans*

2. **Approval of Agenda**

**Res. No. 291 – 23**

**Heather Pateman, Keven Beaucage**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Agenda of the Regular Council Meeting of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney of November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023 agenda, be adopted as circulated

**CARRIED**

3. **Disclosure of Interest**

*Councillor Sharer declared pecuniary interest in cheque # 33186 payable to her.*

4. **Delegations/Presentations - nil**

5. **Consent List**

5.1 October 19, 2023 Council Meeting Minutes

5.2 Payment Register

5.3 Transfer Station Activity Report

5.4 Rainy River Support Resolution

5.5 Year to Date Budget

5.6 AHHC Update September 2023

5.7 Library Minutes

**Res. No. 292-23 Michael Rickward, Jill Sharer**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Consent List from the Regular Council Meeting of Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023 be accepted and that all Recommendations contained therein be adopted as Resolutions of Council except for items 5.2, 5.5, 5.6, and 5.7 which shall be moved out of the consent list for discussion and debate.

**CARRIED**

6. **Items Referred from the Consent List**

5.2 **Payment Register**

5.5 **Year to Date Budget**

5.6 **AHHC Update September 2023**

5.7 **Library Minutes**

7. **Items for Discussion**

7.1 **DRAFT Agreement – Lisa Bugelli Exercise Instructor**

**Res. No. 293-23 Heather Pateman, Keven Beaucage**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Town of Kearney approves the draft Agreement with Lisa Bugelli to provide fitness classes to the residents and a by-law will be passed later in the meeting.

**CARRIED**

**7.2 DRAFT Agreement – Amanda Mashinter Exercise Instructor backup  
Res. No 294-23 Jill Sharer, Keven Beaucage**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Town of the Kearney approves the draft Agreement with Amanda Mashinter to provide fitness classes as a back up instructor to the residents and a by-law will be passed later in the meeting;  
**CARRIED**

**7.3 DRAFT Agreement – Shared By-law Services with the Township of Armour  
Res. No 295-23 Michael Rickward, Heather Pateman**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Town of the Kearney approves the draft Agreement with the Township of Armour to provide bylaw services and a by-law will be passed later in the meeting.  
**CARRIED**

**7.4 DRAFT Community Centre Policy  
Res. No 296-23 Keven Beaucage, Michael Rickward**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Town of the Kearney approves the draft Community Centre Policy as presented by Staff and directs Staff to bring back the policy to be passed next meeting.  
**CARRIED**

**7.5 DRAFT Fees & Charges Bylaw to be implemented January 2024  
Res. No. 297-23 Michael Rickward, Keven Beaucage**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Town of the Kearney approves the DRAFT Fees and Charges By-law as presented by Staff and directs Staff to make amendments as discussed and bring back for passing at the next meeting  
**CARRIED**

**7.6 SR 2023-46 Transitioning to Municipal Septic Inspections  
Res. No. 298-23 Heather Pateman, Michael Rickward**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Town of Kearney accepts the CBO's report on Septic System inspections and directs Staff to maintain the current contract with North Bay Mattawa Conservation Authority for septic system inspections.  
**CARRIED**

**7.7 SR-2023-47 Fire Chief Report re: Quotations for Furnace  
Res. No, 299-23 Michael Rickward, Keven Beaucage**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney accepts the Fire Chief's Report and awards the contract for a propane furnace to \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_.  
**DEFERRED**

**7.8 SR-2023-48 Fire Chief Report re: Replacement of Expedition  
Res. No. 300-23 Michael Rickward, Keven Beaucage**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Town of Kearney accepts the Fire Chief's Report 2023-48 and directs the Fire Chief to Tender out for a new large sized SUV to replace the existing Expedition.  
**DEFEATED**

Staff was directed to include this in the 2024 Capital Budget discussion

**7.9 AHHC Support Resolution  
Res. No. 301-23 Keven Beaucage, Michael Rickward**

**WHEREAS** Muskoka Algonquin Health Care operates physiotherapy, E.C.G. Imaging and Laboratory services at the Almaguin Highland Health Center.  
**AND WHEREAS** the laboratory has seen a significant number of closures over the summer due to staffing resources; **AND WHEREAS** Almaguin residents who rely on this vital service are impacted by closures resulting in redundant trips, rescheduling or traveling to seek alternative service; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town of Kearney supports the Almaguin Highlands Health Council and requests a commitment from Muskoka Algonquin Health Care to resume laboratory services to their regular functions on a regular schedule; **AND FURTHER THAT** this resolution be shared with Almaguin Highlands Municipalities, Premier Doug Ford, MPP Graydon Smith and the Ministry of Health  
**CARRIED**

**7.10 IION Support Resolution for RIC funding**

**Res. No. 302-23 Michael Rickward, Jill Sharer**

**WHEREAS** the Council of the Town of Kearney believes that Regional innovation Centre's (RIC)'s assist with the economic innovation and growth to our region; **AND WHEREAS** the Council of the Town of Kearney believes that continued and increased funding and recognition of the RIC's network in the Province of Ontario is vital to the growth of Rural Northern Ontario; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Town of Kearney support the Ontario Regional Innovation Centre's request for support and directs Staff to circulate this resolution to ACED, Premier Doug Ford and MPP Graydon Smith.

**CARRIED**

**8. Other Business**

**9. Correspondence for Information**

**9.1 AHHC October 5, 2023 Minutes**

**9.2 Muskoka and Area Health Team Recruitment 9 Month Update**

**10. Talk to the Mayor**

**11. Closed Session**

**Res. No. 303-23 Heather Pateman, Keven Beaucage**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney at 7:50 pm, moves into closed session under Section 239(2) of the Municipal Act, under the following subsections:

(a) Labour Relations or Employee Negotiations

(b) Personal Matters about an identifiable individual

**CARRIED**

**Res. No. 304-23 Michael Rickward, Jill Sharer**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney reconvenes in Open Session at 8:56 pm

**CARRIED**

**12. Confirming & Other By-laws**

**Res. No. 305-23 Michael Rickward, Jill 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:

12.1 By-law to enter into Agreement an agreement with Lisa Bugelli

12.2 By-law to enter into Agreement with Amanda Mashinter

12.3 By-law to enter into Agreement with Armour Township for By-law Services


12.4 Confirmatory By-law

**CARRIED**

**13. Adjournment**

**THE CORPORATION OF THE**

**TOWN OF KEARNEY**

  
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Mayor

  
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Clerk