

The Corporation of the Town of Kearney
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Council Chambers
Thursday, November 14, 2024 – 6:00 p.m.

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

Staff Present: Nicole Gourlay, Clerk Administrator (CA)
Cindy Filmore, Deputy Clerk (DC)
Paul Audette, Public Works Superintendent (PWS)
The DC and PWS were present for the public portions of the meeting. The CA was present for the entirety of the meeting.

1. **Call the Meeting to Order**
The meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m.
2. **Approval of Agenda**
Resolution 2024- 348
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 November 14, 2024 as amended: To add 7.12 CSRIF Grant
CARRIED
3. **Disclosure of Interest**
None were noted.
4. **Delegations/Presentations/Public Meetings**
Resolution 2024-349
Moved by: Councillor Sharer, Seconded by: Councillor Beaucage
BE IT RESOLVED that the Public Meeting of Council pursuant to Section 34 (12), (13), (14) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, cP.13 as amended held Thursday, November 14, 2024 be called to order at 6:03 pm
CARRIED
 - 4.1 Public Meeting under the Planning Act – Application for Zoning By-law Amendment RZ-03-24
* Planning Report from EcoVue Consulting was removed from the agenda as new information came to light. No recommendation from the consultants was presented at this time

Mayor Philip read the Planning meeting script in regard to RZ-03-24 (Ziraldo).

Jessica Reid from EcoVue Planning Consultants spoke to the purpose and effect of the proposed ZBLA.

Paul Ziraldo spoke on behalf of the applicant.

Karen Fraser (94 Clam Lake Road) raised concerns

Paul Ziraldo spoke to some of the concerns

Gary Fraser (94 Clam Lake) raised concerns and championed a Planning Advisory Committee

Deputy Mayor Rickward spoke to allowing the Consultants opportunity to review and make recommendations for the next available meeting
 - 4.2 Public Meeting under the Planning Act – Application for Zoning By-law Amendment RZ-04-24
Mayor Philip read the Planning meeting script in regard to RZ-04-24 (Maguire)

Jessica Reid from EcoVue Planning Consultants spoke to the purpose and effect of the proposed ZBLA.

John Jackson (24 Armstrong Lane) spoke in support of the amendment

Councillor Beaucage spoke in favour of the amendment

Deputy Mayor Rickward spoke to the need to address this in the upcoming ZBL update

Mayor Philip asked a question of the applicant, the applicant Jamie Maguire, responded.

Resolution 2024-350

Moved by: Councillor Pateman; Seconded by: Councillor Beaucage

BE IT RESOLVED that the Public Meeting of Council pursuant to Section 34 (12), (13), (14) of the Planning Act R.S.O. 1990, cP.13 as amended held Thursday, November 14, 2024 be adjourned at 6:48 pm.

Resolution 2024-351

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney thanks the Public and EcoVue Consulting for their input regarding the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment RZ-03-2024 (Ziraldo) and directs staff to include this input in their recommendation report.

CARRIED

Resolution 2024-352

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney receives and accepts the report from EcoVue Consulting Services regarding RZ-04-24 (MAGUIRE); AND FURTHER THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby supports the approval of the proposed amendment to Zoning By-law 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 existing proposed development which will take place at a later date.

CARRIED

5. Consent List

Resolution 2024-353

Moved by: Councillor Sharer; Seconded by: Councillor Pateman

BE IT RESOLVED that the Consent List from the Council Meeting of Thursday, November 14, 2024 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 DRAFT Trailer By-law

Resolution 2024-354

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

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney consulted with the general Public, reviewed Staff reports and requested input from legal counsel; AND WHEREAS Council has reviewed and discussed the DRAFT Trailer By-law at previous Council meetings;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby directs Staff to take the bylaw back for further review; AND FURTHER directs Staff to ensure that education be the first step in any efforts to enforce the current by-law, in particular ensures that any person facing a housing crisis be assisted in reaching out to the DPSSSB for supports; AND FURTHER that Council directs Staff to bring back a resolution to a future meeting calling on the Province of Ontario to provide direct support to municipalities in regard to the housing crisis; AND FURTHER that no one will be removed from their trailer.

CARRIED

7.2 Memo: DRAFT Fees & Charges By-law

Resolution 2024- 355

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

WHEREAS Council has reviewed and discussed the changes proposed by Staff;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of
Kearney directs Staff to make the proposed changes as outlined in the DRAFT Fees & Charges
By-law with the following further amendments:

Tax Notice Re-print – Remove

Tax Statement – Remove or Balance Inquiry – Remove

Unsorted Black or Clear Bag - \$10

AND FURTHER directs Staff to ensure that the following Transfer fees come into affect
November 15, 2024:

1. Scrap Metal (including appliances free from freon) is noted as Free
2. Clean wood and clean brush is noted as Free
3. Small containers (5-gallon pail size) of whatever garbage someone has to be distributed in
the appropriate bin and crossed off as a “residential bag” taking \$2.00 off their loaded
transfer station Card. This would include small items, construction waste, etc. but NOT
asphalt shingles. No Household Waste
4. Construction waste to be calculated at \$1.50/ sq. ft.
5. Shingles to be calculated at \$2.50/ sq. ft.

CARRIED

7.3 DRAFT Agreement with Armour Township – Proudfoot Rd. Maint.

Resolution 2024-356

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by Councillor Beaucage

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney received updates for the
agreement (including fees) from the Township of Armour Agreement with regard o the Proudfoot
Road Maintenance; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves the draft by-
law and agreement with the Township of Armour for Proudfoot Road Maintenance; AND
FURTHER that the By-law be passed later in this meeting

CARRIED

7.4 Fire Chief's Report re New Firefighter

Resolution 2024-357

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

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney has received the Fire Chief's
report regarding an application from Sydnei Martin to join the Fire and Emergency Services
team; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council accepts Sydnei Martin's application
to join the Fire and Emergency Services team

CARRIED

7.5 Discussion on Procedural By-law Updates

Resolution 2024-358

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney directs Staff to
provide a DRAFT Procedural By-law updte to include:

Meeting dates, Connectivity and any further concerns be brought to the C.A. by Monday

CARRIED

7.6 Village of Burk's Falls proposal re: AHHC ownership structure

Resolution 2024-359

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

WHEREAS the Village of Burks Falls has provided an outline for a shared ownership model for
the Almaguin Highlands Health Centre (AHHC) medical facility; AND WHEREAS this report
speaks to the formation of a non-profit Board to oversee the AHHC; NOW THEREFORE BE IT
RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney accepts the report from
the Village of Burks Falls and supports in principle the change of ownership structure for the
AHHC; AND FURTHER that Council requests information from the AHHC and the Village of
Burk's Falls on how this structure may be implemented

CARRIED

7.7 DRAFT MOU Almaguin Snowmobile Club

Resolution 2024-360

Moved by: Councillor Sharer; Seconded by: Councillor Pateman

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney receives and
accepts the DRAFT Memorandum of Understanding between the Almaguin District Snowmobile
Club and the Town of Kearney which will be passed later in this meeting.

CARRIED

7.8 DRAFT MOU Highland Rovers Snowmobile Club

Resolution 2024-361

Moved by: Councillor Beaucage; Seconded by: Councillor Pateman

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney receives and accepts the DRAFT Memorandum of Understanding between the Highland Rovers Snowmobile Club and the Town of Kearney which will be passed later in this meeting.

CARRIED

7.9 DRAFT MOU Highland Rovers & Township of Perry – Patton Rd ONLY

Resolution 2024-362

Moved by: Councillor Sharer, Seconded by Councillor Beaucage

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney receives and accepts the DRAFT Memorandum of Understanding between the Highland Rovers Snowmobile Club, the Township of Perry and the Town of Kearney which will be passed later in this meeting.

CARRIED

7.10 Closure for Christmas and Staff Christmas

Resolution 2024-363

Moved by: Councillor Pateman; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer

WHEREAS the Christmas Holiday typically results in the closure of the Town Office between Christmas and New Years; AND WHEREAS the previously Council has given Staff and Firefighters a Christmas lunch or dinner and a turkey; AND WHEREAS the C-A would like to recommend the office closed between Christmas and New Years from Tuesday December 24th and reopening Thursday January 2nd at 8:30am; AND WHEREAS the C-A recommends the Staff and Firefighters Christmas bonus be a full day paid during the Christmas Holiday Closure as was provided last year and; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney approves the C-A's recommendation in closing the Municipal Office between December 24th and January 1st and providing Staff and Firefighters a paid day off during the holiday closure.

CARRIED

7.11 Postpone Town Hall Meeting to host Strategic Plan/Official Plan initial Open House on December 12th, 2024

Resolution 2024-364

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

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney had determined to host a Town Hall Meeting on December 12, 2024; AND WHEREAS the initial Open House for the Strategic Plan/Official Plan will provide additional opportunities for Public Input and discussion for many facets of the community; AND WHEREAS the availability of Staff, Council and Consultants does not provide any other opportunity for this day before 2025 aside from December 12th 2024 (the intended Town Hall date); THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney deems it necessary to postpone the Town Hall Meeting scheduled for December 12th 2024 to 2025 in order to facilitate the Council session and initial Open House for the Strategic Plan/Official Plan.

CARRIED

7.12 CSRIF Grant

Resolution 2024-365

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby supports the grant application to the Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund in regard to the Kearney Lions Park and Pavilion upgrades at 163 Main Street in Kearney

CARRIED

8. Other Business - Nil

9. Correspondence for Information

Due to scheduling of an attendee, Council moved in to Closed Session

11. Closed Session

Resolution 2024- 366

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney moves into closed session at 8:29 pm under Section 239(2) of the Municipal Act, under the following subsections:

(2)(d) Labour Relations or Employee Negotiations.

CARRIED

Resolution 2024- 367

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney reconvenes in open session at 10:26 pm.

CARRIED

Resolution 2024-368

Moved by: Councillor Pateman; 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:

10.2 By-law 2024-46 Being a By-law to enter into an agreement with the Almaguin District Snowmobile Club

10.3 By-law 2024-47 Being a By-law to enter into an agreement with the Highland Rovers Snowmobile Club

10.4 By-law 2024-48 Being a By-law to enter into an agreement with the Township of Perry and the Highland Rovers Snowmobile Club

10.5 By-law 2024-28 Being a By-law to enter into an agreement with Armour Township regarding maintenance of Proudfoot Road

CARRIED

12. Confirming By-law

Resolution 2024- 369

Moved by: Councillor Pateman; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer

BE IT RESOLVED that By-law 2024-49 being a by-law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Special Meeting of Council of November 7, 2024 and the Regular Meeting of November 14, 2024, 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

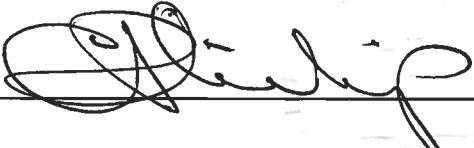
Resolution 2024-370

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

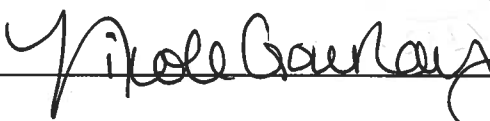
BE IT RESOLVED that the Regular Council Meeting of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney adjourn at 10:37 pm

CARRIED

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF KEARNEY**



Mayor



Clerk

