

The Corporation of the Town of Kearney

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Chambers

Thursday, January 16, 2025 – 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)
Paul Audette, Public Works Superintendent (PW)

Staff were present for the entirety of the meeting.

A Moment of Silence was held to honour the memory of Jenny Thomas and to honour the memory of Helen (White) Fowler

1. **Call the Meeting to Order**
The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. **Approval of Agenda**
Resolution 2025-05
Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Pateman
BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney adopts the Agenda of January 16, 2025 as circulated.
CARRIED
3. **Disclosure of Interest**
Keven Beaucage submitted a Declaration of Pecuniary Interest in relation to Chq #34373, a cheque payable to Stefanie Alen, her daughter.
4. **Delegations/Presentations/Public Meetings - nil**
5. **Consent List**
Resolution 2025-06
Moved by: Councillor Pateman; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer
BE IT RESOLVED that the Consent List from the Council Meeting of Thursday, January 16, 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 EcoVue Staff Report – Meier Consent Applications – Echo Ridge Rd.
Resolution 2025-07
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 EcoVue Staff Report regarding the Meier Applications for Consent B-055/24, B-056/24, B-057/24
AND FURTHER that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney recommends support of this application with the following conditions:
 1. An application for Zoning By-law Amendment that rezones those portions of the Severed Lot 2 (B-055/24) and the Retained Lot within the setbacks of the watercourse identified in the Watercourse Assessment completed by FRI Ecological Services, dated December 16, 2024, to the Environmental Protection (EP) Zone.
 2. A plan prepared by an Ontario Land Surveyor (O.L.S.) showing the location of the watercourses identified on Severed Lot 2 (B-055/24) and the Retained Lot in the

Watercourse Assessment completed by FRI Ecological Services, dated December 16, 2024.

3. Confirmation in writing from the Town of Kearney that a 911 Address Number to the new lots has been 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. A draft reference plan of survey, prepared by an Ontario Land Surveyor (O.L.S.) be provided to the Town of Kearney for review prior to registration.
6. All portions of the severed or retained property which contain a deviation or portion of Echo Ridge Road, which is maintained by the municipality as a public road, the Applicant shall survey and transfer to the municipality. The area to be surveyed and transferred shall generally be 66 feet in width and centered upon the centre line of the present travelled road
7. That all Municipal taxes to date shall be paid in full.
8. 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.

CARRIED

Resolution 2025-08

Moved by: Councillor Pateman; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby receives EcoVue Staff Report regarding the Meier Applications for Consent B-058/24, B-059/24;

AND FURTHER, regarding Consent Applications B-058/24 and B-059/24, that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney recommends support of these applications with the following conditions:

1. An application for Zoning By-law Amendment that rezones those portions of the Severed Lot and Retained Lots within the setbacks of the watercourses identified in the Watercourse Assessment completed by FRI Ecological Services, dated December 16, 2024, to the Environmental Protection (EP) Zone.
2. A plan prepared by an Ontario Land Surveyor (O.L.S.) showing the location of the watercourse identified on Severed Lot C (B-059/24) in the Watercourse Assessment completed by FRI Ecological Services, dated December 16, 2024.
3. Confirmation in writing from the Town of Kearney that a 911 Address Number to the new lots has been 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. A draft reference plan of survey, prepared by an Ontario Land Surveyor (O.L.S.) be provided to the Town of Kearney for review prior to registration.
6. All portions of the severed or retained property which contain a deviation or portion of Echo Ridge Road, which is maintained by the municipality as a public road, the Applicant shall survey and transfer to the municipality. The area to be surveyed and transferred shall generally be 66 feet in width and centred upon the centre line of the present travelled road
7. That all Municipal taxes to date shall be paid in full.
8. 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.

7.2 Letter from Kelly Shire Foundation re: Waive Rental Fees

Resolution 2025-09

Moved by: Councillor Beaucage; Seconded by: Councillor Pateman

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney has received a request from the Kelly Shires Foundation to waive the rental fees for the Kearney Community Centre for annual Kelly Shires Breast Cancer Snow Run held on February 9, 2025;

AND WHEREAS this fund-raising event has been held at the Kearney Community Centre for many years;

AND WHEREAS the Kelly Shires Breast Cancer Snow Run raises funds to support individuals battling breast cancer;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby supports the waiving of rental fees for this event.

CARRIED

7.3 Resolutions from the Dogsled Race Committee

Resolution 2025-10

Moved by: Councillor Beaucage; Seconded by Councillor Pateman

WHEREAS the Kearney Dog Sled Races will be held on February 7, 8 & 9, 2025;

AND WHEREAS this event is an important economic and cultural event for the Town of Kearney;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby declares the Kearney Dog Sled Races to be a festival;
AND FURTHER that all by-laws in contravention of the festival ie: noise by-law regarding barking dogs, be suspended for the duration of the event;
AND FURTHER that as a safety precaution, Council authorizes the closure of the Kearney Transfer Station at 149 King William St. for the entire weekend of February 8 and 9, 2025 with the Kallio Rd Transfer Station remaining open both days from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm;
AND FURTHER that Council authorizes the use of the Kearney Community Centre, parking areas and equipment as well as the Town's Public Works equipment and employees as available for the event which shall be arranged with the Public Works Superintendent and the Clerk Administrator
CARRIED

7.4 SR2025-08 Recover of Costs after Demolition of Building by Town
Resolution 2025-11

Moved by: Councillor Beaucage; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer
BE IT RESOLVED the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby receives SR2025-08, the Recovery of Costs and Demolition of Building by Town report from Matthew Clouthier, CBO.
CARRIED

7.5 SR2025-09 Construction Waste Costs
Resolution 2025-12

Moved by: Councillor Pateman; Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Rickward
BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby receives SR2025-09, the report regarding the Estimated Cost for Construction Waste from Paul Audette, Public Works Superintendent.
CARRIED

7.6 Staff Memo: Update on Grader
Resolution 2025-13

Moved by: Councillor Beaucage; Seconded by: Councillor Pateman
BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby receives and accepts the Staff Memo from Paul Audette regarding the John Deere Grader;
AND FURTHER that Council thanks the Public Works Superintendent for his work on this issue and the clarification this memo provides.
CARRIED

7.7 SR2025-10 DRAFT Donations Policy
Resolution 2025-14

Moved by: Councillor Pateman; Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Rickward
BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby receives SR2025-10 and the DRAFT Donations Policy, as attached; AND FURTHER that this by-law be brought to a future meeting for further discussion.
CARRIED

8. Other Business

Resolution 2025-15

Moved by: Councillor Beaucage; Seconded by: Councillor Pateman
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney requests that Staff bring back a list of Bylaws that this Council has updated or created since they took office in November 2022; AND FURTHER a list of Policies in Place and one older bylaw for review.

9. Correspondence for Information

Resolution 2025-16

Moved by Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Pateman
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney all items within Correspondence for Information Section; AND FURTHER that Council direct Staff to write letters of support from the Town of Kearney for any of the mentioned resolutions of support.

CARRIED

10. **By-laws**
Nil

11. **Closed Session**

Resolution 2025-17

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

BE IT RESOLVED That the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney moves into closed session at 7:01 pm, under Section 239 of the Municipal Act, under the following subsections:

(2)(b) Personal Matters about an Identifiable Individual

(2)(d) Labour Relations or Employee Negotiations

CARRIED

Resolution 2025-18

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by Councillor Pateman

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney reconvenes in Open Session at 9:00 pm

CARRIED

Resolution 2025-19

Moved by Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney ratifies the Memorandum of Settlement regarding the Town of Kearney CUPE Collective Agreement dated January 19, 2025; AND HEREBY authorizes the Treasurer to adjust wages as per the Memorandum of Settlement.

12. **Confirming By-law**

Resolution 2025-20

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

BE IT RESOLVED that By-law 2025-01 being a by-law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Regular Meeting of January 16, 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**

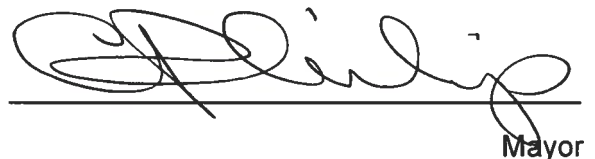
Resolution 2025-21

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 9:02 pm

CARRIED

THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF KEARNEY



Mayor



Clerk