

The Corporation of the Town of Kearney
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Council Chambers
Thursday, February 6, 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)
Cindy Filmore, Deputy Clerk (DC)

Staff were present for the entirety of the meeting.

A Moment of Silence was held to honour the memory of Edith Burke and to honour the memory of Marjorie Campbell

1. **Call the Meeting to Order**
The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.
 2. **Approval of Agenda**
Resolution 2025-24
Moved by: Councillor Beaucage; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer
BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney adopts the Agenda of February 6, 2025 as amended. * Remove Closed Session
CARRIED
 3. **Disclosure of Interest**
Keven Beaucage submitted a Declaration of Pecuniary Interest in relation to Chq #34432, a cheque payable to Stefanie Alen, her daughter.
 4. **Delegations/Presentations/Public Meetings**
Resolution 2025-25
Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward, 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, February 6, 2025, be called to order at 6:02 p.m.
CARRIED
- The Mayor asked the Planning Consultant to explain the purpose and effect of the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment.
- Jessica Rae Reid, of EcoVue Planning Consultants explained the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment, and the recommendation of EcoVue
- The Mayor asked if anyone wished to speak in support of the Applicant
- Paul Ziraldo spoke in support of the applicant
- The Mayor asked if anyone wished else wished to speak
- Karen Fraser requested additional information and clarification of the intended ZBLA
- Jessica Rae Reid of EcoVue Consultants spoke further of the intended effect of the ZBLA
- Resolution 2025-26
Moved by Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by Councillor Beaucage
BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney receives and accepts the report dated January 28, 2025 from EcoVue Consulting Services regarding application RZ-03-24; AND FURTHER, Council approves the proposed amendment to Zoning Bylaw 2022-20, which will rezone the subject lands from the Institutional (I) Zone to a site-

specific Commercial Townsite Exception 05 (CTS-05) Zone in order to acknowledge the existing use on the subject lands; AND FURTHER that a bylaw to this affect will be passed at a later meeting.

CARRIED

Resolution 2025-27

Moved by: Councillor Sharer; 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, February 6, 2025 be adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

CARRIED

Resolution 2025-28

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

WHEREAS Council received application to purchase the Shore Road Allowance in front of 14 Beaver Lake Lane (Audette) in 2023; 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 approves in principle the passing of Bylaw 2025-04 which will take place later in this meeting.

CARRIED

5. Consent List

Resolution 2025-29

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Consent List from the Council Meeting of Thursday, February 6, 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 Painting from Museum of Lennox & Addington Napanee

The Mayor gave an explanation of the painting received from the Museum which depicts Werlich's Mill and its history.

7.2 OSIM Report – Tatham Engineering

Council received the report and it was suggested that Staff bring back a synopsis of both the OSIM Report and the DM Wills Report on Landfill Monitoring to provide to Council

7.3 Kearney Landfill Monitoring Report – DM Wills

Resolution 2025-30

Moved by: Councillor Beaucage; Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rickward

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby receives the 2022-2023 Biennial Kearney Landfill Monitoring report from DM Wills; AND WHEREAS Bylaw 2011-78, the Procurement Bylaw, Sec. 9.4(c) precludes the need for tendering of a service that is deemed to be for a provision of an essential service; BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council direct Staff to obtain quotes from a minimum of three firms to complete the required work in 2025 to ensure Kearney's compliance with MECP requirements

CARRIED

7.4 Almaguin Housing Task Force - ACED

Resolution 2025-31

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

BE IT RESOLVED the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby receives the Almaguin Housing Task Force Summary and Recommendations report as presented by ACED.

CARRIED

7.5 Discussion on CRAFT Donations Policy

Resolution 2025-32

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 the DRAFT Donations Policy; AND FURTHER directs staff to make the noted changes to the policy and bring it back for further discussion at the April 2025 Regular Council Meeting.
CARRIED

7.6 MEMO re: Current By-laws & Policies – Notice of Motion from January 16th, 2025
Resolution 2025-33

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby receives the MEMO re Current Bylaws & Policies;
AND FURTHER directs Staff to receive the list of Councillor Beaucage and return to Council with updates and revisions at a later meeting.
CARRIED

7.7 DRAFT Retentions By-law
Resolution 2025-34

Moved by: Councillor Beaucage; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby receives the DRAFT Retentions Bylaw; AND FURTHER directs Staff to make the changes discussed and bring back to the March Council meeting for passing.
CARRIED

7.8 DRAFT Interim Tax Levies Bylaw
Resolution 2025-35

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby receives and approves the proposed Interim Tax Levies Bylaw; AND FURTHER that this Bylaw be passed later in the meeting.
CARRIED

7.9 DRAFT Agreement for the Fire Protection Grant
Resolution 2025-36

Moved by: Councillor Sharer; Seconded by: Councillor Beaucage

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby approves entering into an Agreement with the Province of Ontario to receive the Fire Protection Grant; AND FURTHER that Council wishes to congratulate Fire Chief Schaefer and Staff on this successful grant submission.
CARRIED

7.10 DRAFT Agreement for the Community Emergency Preparedness Grant
Resolution 2025-37

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

WHEREAS the Fire Department has received confirmation of funding from the Community Emergency Preparedness Grant, a grant to ensure the funding of our wildland fire fighting equipment including the purchase of a specialized equipment; AND WHEREAS By-law 2011-78, the Procurement By-law recognizes that, where there are a limited number of suppliers of specialized equipment the need to tender for same is precluded in Sec. 9.4 (b)(ii); Council directs Staff to utilize this sole supplier in accordance with the Procurement By-law; BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney approves entering into the Agreement with the Province of Ontario to accept funding for the Community Emergency Preparedness Grant; AND FURTHER that Council authorizes Staff to purchase the drone equipment immediately; AND FURTHER that Council wishes to congratulate Fire Chief Schaefer and Staff on this successful grant submission.
CARRIED

7.11 DRAFT Agreement for the Provision of Primary Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Services
Resolution 2025-38

Moved by: Councillor Sharer; Seconded by: Councillor Beaucage

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby approves the DRAFT Agreement for the Provision of Primary Public Safety Answering Point Services and a bylaw to this affect will be passed by bylaw later in this meeting.

7.12 DRAFT Agreement with Nipissing-Parry Sound student transportation services re: student transfer location
Resolution 2025-39

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 the DRAFT Agreement with the Nipissing-Parry Sound Student transportation services regarding the Student Transfer Location, and bylaw to this affect, will be passed later in this meeting.

7.13 DRAFT Agreement to enter into a Consent Agreement (Mosmann)
Resolution 2025-40

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer
WHEREAS Council approved the Mosmann Consent Applications B045-22, B046-22 and B047-22 in August, 2022; AND WHEREAS a Consent Agreement was a condition of Consent for these applications in 2024; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney approves in principle the passing of By-law 2025- 05, being the Consent Agreement regarding the Mosmann consents, which will take place later in this meeting.
CARRIED

7.14 Change of Council Meeting Dates: February 27, 2025
Resolution 2025-41

Moved by: Councillor Beaucage; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer
WHEREAS a Provincial Election has been called to be held on February 27, 2025; AND WHEREAS the Kearney Community Centre is a designated polling station; AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney next Regular Council Meeting date had been scheduled to be held on February 27, 2025; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney reschedules the February 27, 2025 meeting to March 6, 2025 AND FURTHER reschedules the March 20 meeting until March 27, and the April 10 meeting until April 17, 2025
CARRIED

7.15 Parry Sound District EMS Advisory Committee – New Regional Representative
Resolution 2025- 42

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Beaucage
WHEREAS the Parry Sound District EMS Advisory Committee Board Representative has resigned from Village of Burks Falls; AND WHEREAS there is urgent need for a new representative for the Advisory Board; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney supports the nomination of Cheryl Philip as the area representative.
CARRIED

7.16 OPP Board Appointments and Update
Resolution 2025-43

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Rickward; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer
BE IT RESOLVED That the Council of the of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney hereby approves the appointment of the following individuals to the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board, with terms and responsibilities in accordance with the *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019*, to serve until November 14, 2026

- Joe Lumley, Township of Perry, Council Representative
- Dan Robertson, Township of Ryerson, Council Representative
- Neil Scarlett, Township of Machar, Council Representative
- Kevin Noaik, Township of Strong, Council Representative
- Robert Sutherland, Community Representative
- Krista Miller, Community Representative

AND FURTHER THAT Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney supports the Township of Perry to remain as the lead municipality for the Almaguin Highlands OPP Board, whereas the Perry Township Deputy Clerk or designate acts as Secretary to the Board until a time when the Board formally appoints a Secretary; AND FURTHER THAT Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney supports paying its 1/12th share of annual Insurance Costs for the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board, as deemed required to protect the Board and its members, once the Insurance Provider and coverage details has been determined; AND FURTHER THAT Council of the Town of Kearney supports paying its 1/12th share of any other costs associated with the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment Board, as required under O.Reg 135/24, including remuneration and travel costs for the Provincial Appointee and any other matters, programs, or items in which the OPP Detachment Board formally enact.
CARRIED

8. **Notice of Motion - nil**

9. **Correspondence for Information**

Resolution 2025-44

Moved by Councillor Beaucage; Seconded by: Councillor Sharer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney the Correspondence list for information from February 6, 2025

CARRIED

Resolution 2025-45

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

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney receives the Correspondence list from information from February 6, 2025; AND FURTHER that Council directs staff to send letters of support regarding the County of Frontenac's Resolution regarding increasing the maximum annual Tile Drain Loan Limit to a minimum of \$250,000

CARRIED

CARRIED

10. **By-laws**

Resolution 2025-46

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 By-law 2025-02 being a By-law to Set Interim Tax Levies

10.2 By-law 2025-03 being a By-law to enter into an Agreement with the OPP (PSAP)

10.3 By-law 2025-04 being a By-law to Stop Up, Close and Sell a portion of SRA (Audette)

10.4 By-law 2025-06 being a By-law to enter into a Consent Agreement (Mosmann)

10.5 By-law 2025-06 being a By-law to enter into an Agreement for the Fire Protection Grant

10.6 By-law 2025-07 being a By-law to enter into an Agreement re Community Emergency Preparedness Grant

10.7 By-law 2025-08 being a By-law to enter into an Agreement with the Nipissing-Parry Sound Student Transportation Services

CARRIED

11. **Closed Session**

Nil

12. **Confirming By-law**

Resolution 2025-47

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

BE IT RESOLVED that By-law 2025-09 being a by-law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Regular Meeting of February 6, 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 2025-48

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Regular Council Meeting of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney adjourn at 7:38 pm

CARRIED

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF KEARNEY**

Mayor

Clerk