

**TOWNSHIP OF KERNS**  
**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL - February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015**  
**KERNS MUNICIPAL OFFICE**

Present: Reeve: Terry Phillips  
Councillors: Stephen Aitchison, Dennis Jibb, Mark Lenover

Staff: Clerk-Treasurer: Michel Lachapelle  
Roads Superintendent: Guy Godmaire

Regrets: Carter Seymour

Meeting started at 8:00 p.m.

**1- Call meeting to order & Adoption of Agenda**

2015-019 **Moved: Mark Lenover**                      **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, open the Regular Meeting of Council of February 3, 2015  
“CARRIED”

2015-020 **Moved: Mark Lenover**                      **Seconded: Stephen Aitchison**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, accept the agenda as amended.  
“CARRIED”

**2- Adoption of Minutes:**

2015-021 **Moved: Stephen Aitchison**                      **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, adopt the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of January 6, 2015, as circulated.  
“CARRIED”

**3- Declaration of pecuniary interest**

**4- Delegations/Presentations**  
No delegations or presentations.

**5- Payments of Accounts - Vouchers No. 2015-01**

2015-022 **Moved: Stephen Aitchison**                      **Seconded: Mark Lenover**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, approve for payment the Roads Voucher 2015-01 in the amount of \$58,958.51.  
“CARRIED”

2015-023 **Moved: Dennis Jibb**                                      **Seconded: Stephen Aitchison**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, approve for payment the General Administration Voucher 2015-01 in the amount of \$35,037.93.  
“CARRIED”

2015-024 **Moved: Mark Lenover**                                      **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, approve for payment the Fire Department Voucher 2015-01 in the amount of \$11,521.89.  
“CARRIED”

**6- Reports from Staff and Others**

a- Roads  
The Roads Superintendent reported that the grader had 4 new tires installed. They are still doing maintenance on the pipeline. There was a pressure test done in December and repairs need to be done. Checked the furnace in the Church Hall - water lines were drained.

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b- Fire

We responded to Automatic Aid Call in Hudson last month. We are not getting the pumper truck. We need to check the Air Compressor Agreement with the City of Temiskaming Shores as to when it ceases.

c- Airport Meeting

A meeting was held on January 24, 2015 at the Earleton Arena, in regards to the importance of the Regional Airport. They provided a brief overview of the history of the Airport. It was decided that a resolution will be circulated to each township as to what direction the Airport should take.

2015-025 **Moved: Stephen Aitchison**                      **Seconded: Mark Lenover**

That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, acknowledge receipt and accept the following reports/minutes, and that it be filed:

i) Earleton-Timiskaming Regional Airport - Minutes of January 22, 2015  
“CARRIED”

d- Other

The minutes from the Temiskaming Municipal Building Association (TMBA) was relayed to Council. It was pointed out by the CBO that the present software program is not working properly. CGIS was contacted to provide a quote to replace the present software program. The cost is \$5,910 more than what we were paying before. This system is already in use in different municipalities and it is working well. The Directors of the TMBA are opting towards the CGIS proposal. To recuperate the extra cost of the software program there will be an extra \$30 charge on each building permit. Councillor Aitchison totally disagree with it.

**7- Correspondence for Council’s Consideration:**

- a- Autism Ontario - World Autism Awareness Day
- b- Temiskaming Shores - TransCanada Pipeline Resolution
- c- Canadian Union of Postal Workers - Request for Support to Save Canada Post
- d- Temiskaming Shores - Resolution for Consideration re: Earleton Regional Airport
- e- Village of Merrickville-Wolford - Industrial Wind Turbines
- f- K. Smart & Associates - Runnalls Drain

2015-026 **Moved: Stephen Aitchison**                      **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**

That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, proclaim April 2, 2015 as World Autism Awareness Day.  
“CARRIED”

2015-027 **Moved: Mark Lenover**                                      **Seconded: Stephen Aitchison**

WHEREAS TransCanada Pipelines Limited has put forward an application to develop the Energy East Pipeline which would convert an existing natural gas pipeline into oil and construction of new pipeline; and  
WHEREAS the ministry of energy has mandated the Ontario Energy Board to examine and report on TransCanada Pipelines Limited’s project through a consultation process; and  
WHEREAS this pipeline would have significant impacts across Northern Ontario; and  
WHEREAS research has demonstrated that fewer accidents occur while transporting oil by pipeline as opposed to alternate modes of transportation such as road or rails; and

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WHEREAS TransCanada has demonstrated their commitment to pipeline safety for communities, residents and employees through safety and preventative maintenance programs; and

WHEREAS the Energy East Project would generate significant economic benefits to Northeastern Ontario and the Township of Kerns by providing direct and indirect jobs during the six year development and construction phase and during the forty year operations phase; and

WHEREAS the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) supports the development of the Energy East Pipeline;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Kerns hereby supports the development of the energy East Pipeline; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this resolution be sent to the Minister of Energy, Minister of Northern Development and Mines and the Leaders of the Opposition Parties.

“CARRIED”

2015-028 **Moved: Mark Lenover** **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**

WHEREAS Canada Post and the Conservatives are taking an axe to long-treasured postal services - killing good jobs, eliminating door-to-door delivery, drastically increasing postage rates and closing, downsizing and reducing hours at post offices. WHEREAS Canada Post did not properly consult on these changes, effectively eliminating any opportunity for input from the people who will be most affected; and WHEREAS closing and downsizing post offices, reducing post office hours, and eliminating door-to-door delivery will reduce service and eliminate thousands of jobs in communities in our country.

WHEREAS Canada post offers a public service that needs to be protected.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Kerns write a letter to the Minister Responsible for Canada Post that calls on the government to reverse the changes to services announced by Canada Post, and to look instead for ways to increase service and revenues in areas such as postal banking.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Township of Kerns ask the Federation of Canadian Municipalities to request that the federal government consult with the public about what kind of postal service they need before allowing Canada Post to make such major changes to public postal service.

“CARRIED”

2015-029 **Moved: Stephen Aitchison** **Seconded: Mark Lenover**

WHEREAS the Earlton-Timiskaming Regional Airport Joint Municipal Services Board (MSB) made a presentation on January 24, 2015 regarding the future of our Regional Airport; and

WHEREAS the following two options have been presented for consideration by the member municipalities of the MSB:

a) Incorporate the Municipal Services Board as a Non-Profit Corporation and transfer the assets of the airport from the Township of Armstrong to the Non-Profit Corporation.

b) Maintain the current operations and create a more formal agreement between the supporting municipalities for the MSB with ownership of the assets remaining with the Township of Armstrong; and

WHEREAS the MSB has requested that each Council pass a motion indicating its preferred option for further investigation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Corporation of the Township of Kerns hereby endorses Option A for further investigation by the Earlton-Timiskaming Regional Airport Joint Municipal Services Board and that a copy of their findings be presented back to the member municipalities of the MSB at the conclusion of their investigation.

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**8- Correspondence for Council's Information:**

- a- Municipal Property Assessment Corporation - 2015 Estimates
- b- Ministry of Northern Development & Mines, Michael Gravelle - Congratulations
- c- Temiskaming Shores - Application for Zoning By-law Amendment
- d- Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing - 2014 Municipal Performance Measurement Program Reporting
- e- Stewardship Ontario - Blue Box Recycling
- f- Ministry Agriculture Food & Rural Affairs - 2015 Drainage Infrastructure Program
- g- Ted McMeekin, MP - Congratulations Letter
- h- Ministry of Natural Resources - Sudbury Forest 2010-2020 Forest Management Plan
- i- Municipal Policing Bureau OPP - Court Security and Prisoner Transportation Grant
- j- Business Management Bureau OPP - Accountability

**9- Other business:**

- a- Borgford Bridge Project Actual Cost Summary Report

2015-030 **Moved: Mark Lenover**                      **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**

That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, approve the Borgford Bridge Project Actual Cost Summary Report, as prepared and presented by the clerk-Treasurer.

“CARRIED”

- b- Landfill Site Report for 2014

2015-031 **Moved: Mark Lenover**                      **Seconded: Stephen Aitchison**

That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, approve the 2014 Landfill Site Report from the Township of Hudson, as prepared and presented by the Clerk.

“CARRIED”

- c- Road Projects for 2015  
The Clerk relayed to council that we have to decide which project will be financed by the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund - Formula Based funding. We need to report on our project to the program administrator before March 31, 2015.

- d- Boundary Road Agreements with Harley, Hudson and Village of Thornloe

2015-032 **Moved: Mark Lenover**                      **Seconded: Stephen Aitchison**

That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, direct staff to prepare a By-law to enter into a Roads Agreement with the following municipalities:

- 1- Township of Harley
- 2- Township of Hudson
- 3- Village of Thornloe

“CARRIED”

- e- Kerns Public School

2015-033 **Moved: Stephen Aitchison**                      **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**

That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, oppose the transfer of Grade 7 & 8 students from Kerns Public School to TDSS School in the Fall of 2015.

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**10- By-laws:**

**a) By-law No. 2015-02** Interim Tax Levy [*three readings*]

2015-034 **Moved: Mark Lenover**                      **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**  
That **By-law No. 2015-02**, being a By-law to provide for an Interim Tax Levy for the Year 2015, be received and read a first and second time.  
“CARRIED”

2015-035 **Moved: Stephen Aitchison**                      **Seconded: Mark Lenover**  
That **By-law No. 2015-02**, being a by-law to provide for an Interim Tax Levy for the Year 2015, be read a third time and that the same be hereby engrossed in the By-law book.  
“CARRIED”

**b) By-law No. 2015-03** Boundary Road Agreement with the Township of Harley [*three readings*]

2015-036 **Moved: Stephen Aitchison**                      **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**  
That **By-law No. 2015-03**, being a By-law to enter into an agreement between the Corporation of the Township of Harley and the Corporation of the Township of Kerns for the provision of road services and repairs of boundary roads, be received and read a first and second time.  
“CARRIED”

2015-037 **Moved: Mark Lenover**                      **Seconded: Stephen Aitchison**  
That **By-law No. 2015-03**, being a By-law enter into an agreement with the Corporation of the Township of Harley and the Corporation of the Township of Kerns for the provision of road services and repairs of boundary roads, be read a third time and that the same be hereby engrossed in the By-law book.  
“CARRIED”

**c) By-law No. 2015-04** Boundary Road Agreement with the Township of Hudson [*three readings*]

2015-038 **Moved: Dennis Jibb**                      **Seconded: Mark Lenover**  
That **By-law No. 2015-04**, being a By-law to enter into an agreement between the Corporation of the Township of Hudson and the Corporation of the Township of Kerns for the provision of road services and repairs of boundary roads, be received and read a first and second time.  
“CARRIED”

2015-039 **Moved: Mark Lenover**                      **Seconded: Stephen Aitchison**  
That **By-law No. 2015-04**, being a By-law enter into an agreement with the Corporation of the Township of Hudson and the Corporation of the Township of Kerns for the provision of road services and repairs of boundary roads, be read a third time and that the same be hereby engrossed in the By-law book.  
“CARRIED”

**d) By-law No. 2015-05** Boundary Road Agreement with the Village of Thornloe [*three readings*]

2015-040 **Moved: Mark Lenover**                      **Seconded: Stephen Aitchison**  
That **By-law No. 2015-05**, being a By-law to enter into an agreement between the Corporation of the Village of Thornloe and the Corporation of the Township of Kerns

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- 2015-041 **Moved: Stephen Aitchison**                      **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**  
That **By-law No. 2015-05**, being a By-law enter into an agreement with the Corporation of the Village of Thornloe and the Corporation of the Township of Kerns for the provision of road services and repairs of boundary roads, be read a third time and that the same be hereby engrossed in the By-law book.  
“CARRIED”

- e)    **By-law No. 2015-06**      Regulate the speed of motor vehicles from statutory speed limits for part of Maybrook Road [*three readings*]

- 2015-042 **Moved: Dennis Jibb**                                      **Seconded: Stephen Aitchison**  
That **By-law No. 2015-06**, being a By-law to provide for the increasing or decreasing of the rate of speed of motor vehicles from Statutory Speed Limits, be received and read a first and second time.  
“CARRIED”

- 2015-043 **Moved: Dennis Jibb**                                      **Seconded: Mark Lenover**  
That **By-law No. 2015-06**, being a By-law to provide for the increasing or decreasing of speed of motor vehicles from Statutory Speed Limits, be read a third time and that the same be hereby engrossed in the By-law book.  
“CARRIED”

**11- Resolution to move to a closed session**

- a- None

**12- Adjournment**

- 2015-044 **Moved: Stephen Aitchison**                      **Seconded: Carter Seymour**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, adjourn the Regular Council Meeting at 10:00 p.m. and will meet again on March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 or at the call of the Reeve.  
“CARRIED”

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Reeve

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Clerk-Treasurer