

**TOWNSHIP OF KERNS**  
**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL - July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015**  
**KERNS MUNICIPAL OFFICE**

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

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

Meeting started at 8:00 p.m.

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

2015-132 **Moved: Carter Seymour**                      **Seconded: Stephen Aitchison**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, open the Regular Meeting of Council of July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015.  
“CARRIED”

2015-133 **Moved: Dennis Jibb**                      **Seconded: Mark Lenover**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, accept the agenda as amended.  
“CARRIED”

**2- Adoption of Minutes:**

2015-134 **Moved: Dennis Jib**                      **Seconded: Carter Seymour**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, adopt the Minutes of the Special Meeting of June 2<sup>nd</sup>, to discuss Engineer’s Report for the Runnalls Drain.  
“CARRIED”

2015-135 **Moved: Mark Lenover**                      **Seconded: Carter Seymour**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, adopt the Minutes of the Special Meeting of June 2<sup>nd</sup>, to discuss the Runnalls Consent Application.  
“CARRIED”

2015-136 **Moved: Stephen Aitchison**                      **Seconded: Mark Lenover**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, adopt the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015, as circulated.  
“CARRIED”

2015-137 **Moved: Mark Lenover**                      **Seconded: Stephen Aitchison**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, adopt the Minutes of the Special Meeting of June 23<sup>rd</sup>, of the Court of Revision for the Runnalls Drain.  
“CARRIED”

**3- Declaration of pecuniary interest**

None

**4- Delegations/Presentations**

None

**5- Payments of Accounts - Vouchers No. 2015-06**

2015-138 **Moved: Dennis Jibb**                      **Seconded: Carter Seymour**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, approve for payment the Roads Voucher 2015-06 in the amount of \$ 34,200.14.  
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2015-139 **Moved: Mark Lenover**                      **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, approve for payment the General Administration Voucher 2015-06 in the amount of \$108,862.35.  
“CARRIED”

2015-140 **Moved: Stephen Aitchison**                      **Seconded: Carter Seymour**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, approve for payment the Fire Department Voucher 2015-06 in the amount of \$623.90.  
“CARRIED”

**6- Reports from Staff and Others**

- a- Roads  
The Roads Superintendent reported that the road sides were cut last week. We started to haul gravel from the Firstbrook Pit to fix soft spots on the roads. Also we changed a culvert on Maybrook Road passed the school.
- b- Fire  
No fires this month.

2015-141 **Moved: Carter Seymour**                      **Seconded: Stephen Aitchison**  
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) Timiskaming Health Unit Board of Health - Minutes of April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015
- ii) Earlton-Timiskaming Regional Airport - Minutes of June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015
- iii) Earth Committee - Minutes of June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015
- iv) Treasurer’s Report - June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015

“CARRIED”

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

- a- Ministry of Transportation - New Law of Off-Road Vehicles
- b- Town of Newmarket - Community Mailboxes
- c- Keep Hydro Public - Resolution Regarding Privatization of Hydro One
- d- Ontario Infrastructure - Province seeking input on Moving Ontario Forward Plan-Infrastructure consultation
- e- Municipality of Tweed - Disaster Relief fund

2015-142 **Moved: Carter Seymour**                      **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, acknowledge receipt of the correspondence from the Ministry of Transportation dated June 10, 2015, concerning the new laws affecting off-road vehicles, and direct the Clerk to draft a By-law.  
“CARRIED”

2015-143 **Moved: Stephen Aitchison**                      **Seconded: Mark Lenover**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, support the Town of Newmarket Resolution dated June 3, 2015, requesting the Federal Minister of Transport, who oversees Canada Post, to halt installation of community mailboxes immediately and to adhere to its Five-point Action Plan, requirement to engage in full and meaningful consultation with all stakeholders.  
“CARRIED”

2015-144 **Moved: Mark Lenover**                      **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**  
**WHEREAS** the public electricity system in Ontario is a critical asset to the economy and vital to the living standard and well-being of all Ontarians;

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**AND WHEREAS** it is essential that Ontarians maintain public control and public decision-making with respect to electricity;

**AND WHEREAS** experience in other jurisdictions shows that privatization typically means consumers pay more for electricity;

**AND WHEREAS** a privatized Hydro One will no longer be subject to scrutiny by the Auditor General, the Ombudsman, the financial Accountability Officer, or the Integrity Commissioner, and will no longer be required to provide information or services to citizens under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, the *Public Sector Salary Disclosure Act*, or the *French Language Services Act*;

**AND WHEREAS** our public electricity system currently generates hundreds of millions of dollars in revenue for the provincial government every year to help pay for public services we all depend on;

**AND WHEREAS** the sale of shares in Hydro One will provide a short-term financial gain for the province in exchange for a much larger long-term financial loss;

**AND WHEREAS** the provincial government has no mandate from voters to sell any part of Hydro One;

**AND WHEREAS** opinion polls show Ontarians oppose the privatization of Hydro One by a significant margin in every part of the province;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township of Kerns call on the provincial government to:

- Halt the sale of any part of Hydro One, and maintain Hydro One as a public asset for the benefit of all Ontarians;
- Strengthen Hydro One by investing in the next generation of workers and upgrading our electricity transmission infrastructure;
- Respect the autonomy and local decision-making powers of local distribution companies by not forcing these companies into mergers or sales;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Township of Kerns communicate this resolution to the Premier, with copies to the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Energy, local MPP's and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).

“CARRIED”

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

- a- Canadian Energy Pipeline Association - Information on their organization
- b- Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing - review of Municipal Legislation
- c- Ontario Provincial Police - New Commander of the Municipal Policing Bureau
- d- Ministry of Energy - Update on Energy planning

**9- Other business:**

- a- Tile Loan Application - Kevin Runnalls

2015-145 **Moved: Mark Lenover** **Seconded: Carter Seymour**

That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, approve the application for Tile Drainage Loan in the amount of \$50,000 from Kevin Runnalls, to drain 64 hectares acres on South Part Lot 4, Concession 4, Parcel No. 9127 SST, Roll No. 54 24 000 001 12600, Kerns Township. This approval is subject to the availability of funds from Ministry of Agriculture Food and Rural Affairs.

“CARRIED”

- b- MTO Off Take Ditch, Concessions 2 and 3, Lot 8, Culvert to be deepened. It was reported by the Roads Superintendent that the MTO deepened the ditch lower than the culvert. There is water laying in the ditch. The culvert needs to be reset deeper. And there are holes in the culvert. As per our Roads Superintendent it is the MTO's responsibility to replace it.

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c- Resolution for Canada 150 Fund

2015-146 **Moved: Mark Lenover**                      **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, direct the Clerk to submit an application under the Canada 150 Infrastructure Fund, for funding to purchase and install playground equipment at the Kerns Park.  
“CARRIED”

d- Tender Results - Gravel

2015-147 **Moved: Carter Seymour**                      **Seconded: Stephen Aitchison**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby award the Granular “M” Contract #2015-60 to **A. Miron Topsoil Ltd.**  
“CARRIED”

**10- By-laws:**

a) **By-law No. 2015-18**      To regulate the use of Off-Road Vehicles [*three readings*]

2015-148 **Moved: Carter Semour**                      **Seconded: Stephen Aitchison**  
That **By-law No. 2015-18**, being a By-law to regulate the use of off-road vehicles, be received and read a first and second time.  
“CARRIED”

2015-149 **Moved: Mark Lenover**                      **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**  
That **By-law No. 2015-18**, being a By-law to regulate the use of off-road vehicles, 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**

2015-150 **Moved: Stephen Aitchison**                      **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, adjourn the Regular Council Meeting at 9:15 p.m. and will meet again on August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015 or at the call of the Reeve.  
“CARRIED”

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Reeve

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Clerk-Treasurer