

**TOWNSHIP OF KERNS**  
**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL - DECEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2015**  
**KERNS MUNICIPAL OFFICE**

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

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

Regrets: Terry Phillips, Reeve

Meeting started at 8:00 p.m.

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

2015-206 **Moved: Carter Seymour**                      **Seconded: Stephen Aitchison**  
Be it Resolved that Mark Lenover be the Chairperson for this Regular Council Meeting.  
“CARRIED”

2015-207 **Moved: Dennis Jibb**                      **Seconded: Stephen Aitchison**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, open the Regular Meeting of Council of December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015.  
“CARRIED”

2015-208 **Moved: Dennis Jibb**                      **Seconded: Carter Seymour**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, accept the agenda as presented.  
“CARRIED”

**2- Adoption of Minutes:**

2015-209 **Moved: Dennis Jibb**                      **Seconded: Carter Seymour**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, adopt the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015, as circulated.  
“CARRIED”

**3- Declaration of pecuniary interest**

None

**4- Delegations/Presentations**

None

**5- Payments of Accounts - Vouchers No. 2015-11**

2015-210 **Moved: Carter Seymour**                      **Seconded: Stephen Aitchison**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, approve for payment the Roads Voucher 2015-11 in the amount of \$14,719.24.  
“CARRIED”

2015-211 **Moved: Stephen Aitchison**                      **Seconded: Carter Seymour**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, approve for payment the General Administration Voucher 2015-11 in the amount of \$35,044.27.  
“CARRIED”

2015-212 **Moved: Stephen Aitchison**                      **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, approve for payment the Fire Department Voucher 2015-11 in the amount of \$4,053.81.  
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**6- Reports from Staff and Others**

a- Roads

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The Roads Superintendent reported that he received a call from Hydro One: program for lights - agreed to change all the lights to High efficiency at the Fire Hall and Milberta Church, at no charge. We still have some money in the budget, would like to purchase a few culverts that needs to be changed in 2016 and to purchase eight tires for the snowplow truck, council agreed.

- b- Fire  
No report.

2015-213 **Moved: Stephen Aitchison**                      **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**

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) TeMAG - Minutes of November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015
  - ii) Timiskaming Health Unit Board of Health - Minutes of October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015
  - iii) Earleton-Timiskaming Regional Airport MSB - Minutes of September 17, 2015
  - iv) Treasurer's Report - November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015
- “CARRIED”

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

- a- Municipality of Neebing - public Consultation to the Police Services Act
- b- Town of Cobalt - Dissolution of MPAC
- c- Township of Puslinch - Bill 100 Supporting the Ontario Trails Act
- d- Ontario Federation of Anglers & Hunters - Spring Bear Hunt

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

- a- Ministry of Finance - OMPF for 2016
- b- City of Temiskaming Shores - 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter POA
- c- Ernie Hardeman, MPP - Official Report of Debates
- d- Economic Developers Council of Ontario - EDCO Membership
- e- Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry - Review of Aggregate Resources Act
- f- Citizen's Coalitions Against Privatization - Hydro One Not For Sale

**9- Other business:**

- a- Update Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund  
Our Expression of Interest to the replace the Seymour Bridge under the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) Application-based component was not selected to move forward to the application phase.
  
- b- Bridge Inspection Report

2015-214 **Moved: Stephen Aitchison**                      **Seconded: Carter Seymour**

That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, acknowledge receipt of the 2015 OSIM Bridge Inspection Report dated October 2015, as prepared by D.M. Wills Associates Limited and that a copy of the report be forwarded to the Roads Superintendent for his review and recommendations.  
“CARRIED”

- c- Municipal Insurance for 2016

2015-215 **Moved: Dennis Jibb**                                      **Seconded: Stephen Aitchison**

That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, accept the quotation in the amount of \$20,061 plus applicable taxes from Municipal Insurance Services Ltd. regarding municipal insurance for the year 2016.  
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d- TMBA - Chief Building Official

The Clerk relayed to Council that a meeting was held in early November for the members of the Temiskaming Municipal Building Association. This meeting was to discuss the possibility of hiring a Planner to deal with planning issues. Most of the council members agreed that we should not be adding any more staff to the program, this will increase the permit fees, and it will prevent development. We have to find another way to deal with planning issues.

It was brought up that the City of Temiskaming Shores advertised for a CBO. The TMBA is concerned that our CBO and Inspector will apply for the position, then we might be looking at replacing one of our staff member. The Clerk informed council that it would be in the best interest of the association to see if the City of Temiskaming could join the association.

e- 2016 OMPF Funding Calculations

The Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund 2016 allocation notice was received from the Ministry of Finance. In 2016 our funding will be reduced to \$149,400. In 2015 our allocation was \$161,600.

f- Holidays Office Hours

2015-216 **Moved: Dennis Jibb**

**Seconded: Stephen Aitchison**

That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby agree to close the Municipal Office during the Christmas Holidays from Thursday noon hour December 24 to reopen Monday, January 4, 2016.

“CARRIED”

g- Airport - Fees

2015-217 **Moved: Stephen Aitchison**

**Seconded: Carter Seymour**

That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, agree to donate \$1960.00 towards the operational costs of the airport for the year 2015.

“CARRIED”

**10- By-laws:**

a) **By-law No. 2015-20**

By-law to renew a by-law restricting weight over Murphy’s Bridge No. 47-50 [*three readings*]

2015-218 **Moved: Carter Seymour**

**Seconded: Dennis Jibb**

That **By-law 2015-20**, being a By-law to renew By-law no. 2014-07 which is a By-law Restricting the weight of vehicles passing over Murphy’s Bridge, M.T.O. Site No. 47-59, Concession II, Lot 12, Kerns-Henwood Boundary road, Kerns Township, be received and read a first and second time.

“CARRIED”

2015-219 **Moved: Stephen Aitchison**

**Seconded: Carter Seymour**

That **By-law 2015-20**, being a By-law to renew By-law No. 2014-07 which is a By-law Restricting the weight of vehicles passing over Murphy’s Bridge, M.T.O. Site No. 47-59, Concession II, Lot 12, Kerns-Henwood Boundary road, Kerns Township, be read a third time and that the same be engrossed in the By-law book.

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b) **By-law No. 2015-21**

By-law restricting weight over Seymour Bridge No. 47-199 [*three readings*]

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2015-220 **Moved: Dennis Jibb** **Seconded: Stephen Aitchison**  
 That **By-law 2015-21**, being a By-law to renew By-law No. 2014-08 which is a By-law Restricting the weight of vehicles passing over Seymour’s Bridge, M.T.O. Site No. 47-199, Concession I - II, Lot 6, Kerns Township, be received and read a first and second time.  
 “CARRIED”

2015-221 **Moved: Carter Seymour** **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**  
 That **By-law 2015-21**, being a By-law to renew By-law No. 2014-08 which is a By-law Restricting the weight of vehicles passing over Seymour’s Bridge, M.T.O. Site No. 47-199, Concession I - II, Lot 6, Kerns Township, be read a third time, and that the same be engrossed in the By-law book.  
 “CARRIED”

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

a- Wages Review

2015-222 **Moved: Dennis Jibb** **Seconded: Stephen Aitchison**  
 That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, go into a Committee of the Whole in camera at 9:40 p.m. to discuss the following:  
 1- Wages Review  
 “CARRIED”

2015-223 **Moved: Carter Seymour** **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**  
 That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, arise from the Committee of the Whole in camera at 9:50 p.m.  
 “CARRIED”

2015-224 **Moved: Stephen Aitchison** **Seconded: Carter Seymour**  
 That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, set the wages rates for the Years 2016 and 2017, effective January 1, 2016 for following positions:

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Students First Year	\$12.00	\$12.24 per hour
Students Second Year	\$13.00	\$13.24 per hour
Fees per Kilometer	\$ .50	\$ .50 per km
Clerk-Treasurer Allowance - Travelling	\$90.00	\$90.00 per Month
Clerk-Treasurer Allowance - Meetings	\$90.00	\$90.00 per Month
Meal Allowance outside municipal boundaries:	\$15.00	\$15.00 Breakfast
	\$25.00	\$25.00 Lunch
	\$35.00	\$35.00 Dinner

“CARRIED”

**12- Adjournment**

2015-225 **Moved: Dennis Jibb** **Seconded: Carter Seymour**  
 That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, adjourn the Regular Council Meeting at 9:54 p.m. and will meet again on January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016 or at the call of the Reeve.  
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Reeve

Clerk-Treasurer