

TOWNSHIP OF KERNS

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL - November 7th, 2017

KERNS MUNICIPAL HALL

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

Staff: Clerk-Treasurer: Michel Lachapelle, Guy Godmaire

Meeting started at 8:00 p.m.

1- Call meeting to order & Adoption of Agenda

2017-178 **Moved: Stephen Aitchison** **Seconded: Mark Lenover**
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, open the Regular Meeting of Council of November 7th, 2017.
"CARRIED"

2017-179 **Moved: Stephen Aitchison** **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, accept the agenda as amended.
"CARRIED"

2- Adoption of Minutes:

2017-180 **Moved: Carter Seymour** **Seconded: Stephen Aitchison**
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, adopt the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of October 3rd, 2017 as circulated.
"CARRIED"

3- Declaration of pecuniary interest

None

4- Delegations/Presentations

None

5- Payments of Accounts - Vouchers No. 2017-10

2017-181 **Moved: Mark Lenover** **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, approve for payment the Roads Voucher 2017-10 in the amount of \$ 29,788.95.
"CARRIED"

2017-182 **Moved: Mark Lenover** **Seconded: Stephen Aitchison**
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, approve for payment the General Administration Voucher 2017-10 in the amount of \$27,759.83.
"CARRIED"

2017-183 **Moved: Carter Seymour** **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, approve for payment the Fire Department Voucher 2017-10 in the amount of \$ 76.91.
"CARRIED"

6- Reports from Staff and Others

a- Roads

The Roads Superintendent reported that the safety inspection has been done on the plow truck. Work on sander: chain is getting old, hopefully it will hold until the end of winter.

b- Fire

The Fire Chief reported that there was no call this month.

c- Others

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- 2017-184 **Moved:** Mark Lenover **Seconded:** Carter Seymour
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 September 6, 2017
 - ii) Earlton-Timiskaming Regional Airport Authority - Minutes of August 31, 2017
 - iii) Treasurer's Report - October 2017
- "CARRIED"
- 7- Correspondence for Council's Consideration:**
- a- Municipality of Chatham-Kent - Barriers for 401 Corridor
 - b- Township of Drummond/North Elmsley - Bill 148
 - c- Northern & Eastern Ontario Rail Network - Rail Services in the North
- 2017-185 **Moved:** Carter Seymour **Seconded:** Stephen Aitchison
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, support the Township of Drummond/North Elmsley in their request that municipal employees be exempted from the on-call changes proposed by Bill 148, and that the Government of Ontario conducts a full economic impact study of Bill 148 to study the effect of the Bill on businesses and municipalities across Ontario.
- "CARRIED"
- 2017-186 **Moved:** Mark Lenover **Seconded:** Dennis Jibb
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, support NEORN in the endeavours to reestablish the passenger rail service in the north.
- "CARRIED"
- 8- Correspondence for Council's Information:**
- a- AMO - Report on Federal Gas Tax Fund
 - b- Ministry of Agriculture Food and Rural Affairs - Revised OCIF Funding Allocation Notice
 - c- Municipal Policing Bureau - OPP 2018 Annual Billing
 - d- Stewardship Ontario - recycling second quarter payment
 - e- Minister of Housing - Fair Housing Plan
 - f- TransCanada Pipeline - Thank you letter for being part of the process
 - g- Ministry of Energy - 2017 Long-Term Energy Plan
- 9- Other business:**
- a- Integrity Commissioner
- 2017-187 **Moved:** Mark Lenover **Seconded:** Carter Seymour
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, agree in principal to have the Temiskaming Municipal Association to investigate the possibility to have an Integrity Commissioner to represent the members of the TMA.
- "CARRIED"
- b- Christmas Holidays Office Hours
- 2017-188 **Moved:** Dennis Jibb **Seconded:** Mark Lenover
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, agree to close the Municipal Office over the Christmas Holidays, from December 25, 2017 to re-open January 2nd, 2018. This resolution is conditional to the approval of the Townships of Casey, Hudson and Harley.
- "CARRIED"
- c- Administration Services
 - d- Road Services

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2017-189 **Moved:** Stephen Aitchison **Seconded:** Carter Seymour
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, request a meeting with the Township of Harley to discuss the Administration and Roads Services for the Years 2018 and 2019.
“CARRIED”

e- Federation of Canadian Municipalities - Funding AMP

2017-190 **Moved:** Stephen Aitchison **Seconded:** Mark Lenover
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, request funding from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities for improving our Asset Management Plan in developing asset management policies, a road need study and asset management training for staff.
“CARRIED”

f- Canadian Stimulus Fund - Investment for the North
Council did not have enough information, it will be discussed at the next council meeting.

10- **By-laws:**
a) None

11- **Resolution to move to a closed session**
a) None

12- **Adjournment**

2017-191 **Moved:** Dennis Jibb **Seconded:** Carter Seymour
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, adjourn the Regular Council Meeting at 9:00 p.m. and will meet again on December 5th, 2017 or at the call of the Reeve.
“CARRIED”

Reeve

Clerk-Treasurer