

**TOWNSHIP OF KERNS**  
**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**  
**of June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021**  
**Held at the Kerns Community Hall**

**Present:**     **Reeve:**       Terry Phillips  
                  **Councillors:** Loren Runnalls  
                                  Dennis Jibb  
                                  Mark Lenover  
                  **Staff:**         Jordan Kemp, Clerk-Treasurer  
                                  Guy Godmaire, Road Superintendent

**Regrets:**                     Carter Seymour , Councillor

**1. Open Regular Meeting of Council & Adoption of Agenda**

2021-083   **Moved:   Dennis Jibb                     Seconded:   Mark Lenover**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, open the Regular Meeting of Council of June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 at 8:00 p.m.  
“CARRIED”

2021-084   **Moved:   Mark Lenover                     Seconded:   Dennis Jibb**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, accept the agenda as presented:  
“CARRIED”

**2. Adoption of Minutes**

2021-085   **Moved:   Mark Lenover                     Seconded:   Dennis Jibb**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, adopt the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021 as presented.  
“CARRIED”

**3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

None

**4. Delegations**

None

**5. Payment of Accounts – Voucher No. 2021-05**

2021-086   **Moved:   Loren Runnalls                     Seconded:   Mark Lenover**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns, do hereby, approve the payment of accounts as presented:

Roads	\$17,111.13
Fire	\$626.19
Admin	\$18,105.61
Total Voucher 2021-05	\$35,842.93

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**6. Reports from Staff & Others**

**a. Road's Department Report**

The Road Superintendent discussed plow trucks which were inspected at the Ritchie Bros. Auction in Toronto. A used Freightliner, with sander combination box on the back, sold for \$180,000 at the Ritchie Bros Auction. The backhoe which council directed staff to watch at the Ritchie Bros Auction sold for \$74,000. This was above what Council was willing to bid and therefore no bid was placed. The Road Department received a used John Deere Backhoe from Brownlee Equipment as a trial. Backhoe is a 2008, and has 3,000 hours. Brownlee Equipment is asking \$61,000 and have offered \$10,000 for the old backhoe. Council directed staff not to pursue a new backhoe.

The Road Superintendent is obtaining quotes from electricians for a backup generator as well as from contractors to install new metal siding on the existing sand shed which is to be funded under the COVID-19 Resilience Fund. Three quotes for each will be brought to the next regular meeting. It is expected there will be delays due to COVID.

The Road Superintendent presented three quotes obtained for the supply of metal siding for the existing sand shed as follows:

Sunny Meadows:	\$ 8,436
Earlton Timbermart:	\$13,161
Grant HomeHardware:	\$12,323

A second load of calcium is delayed due to higher demand down south. Typically takes 1-2 business days, but is now expected to take 2 weeks.

Half Loads have been removed.

Highway 65 fill is already claimed and the asphalt is being reused at the plant for Highway 65.

Paralink tower is ready to be installed. Currently assembled at the yard.

2021-087    **Moved: Mark Lenover**                      **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**

That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, acknowledge receipt of three (3) quotes received by the Road Superintendent to tin the exterior of the sand shed; and

Authorize the Road Superintendent to accept Sunny Meadows quote in the amount of \$8,436.78 to be funded under the COVID-19 Resilience Funds conditional on 28-gauge thickness.

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**b. Fire's Department Report**

No fires to report.

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**c. Others**

- i. Timiskaming Health Unit Municipal Meetings of 23-Apr-2021**
- ii. Timiskaming Health Unit Municipal Meetings of 07-May-2021**

2021-088 **Moved: Dennis Jibb**                      **Seconded: Loren Runnalls**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, acknowledge receipt and accept the following reports/minutes, and that it be filed along with the minutes of the regular meeting:

- a. Road's Department Report
- b. Fire's Department Report
- c. Others
  - i. Timiskaming Health Unit Municipal Meetings of 23-Apr-2021
  - ii. Timiskaming Health Unit Municipal Meetings of 07-May-2021

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

**a. The Town of Cochrane – Reopening of Greenwater Provincial Park**

2021-089 **Moved: Dennis Jibb**                      **Seconded: Mark Lenover**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby support the Town of Cochrane's resolution requesting Premier Ford and the Minister of Natural Resources reopen the Greenwater Provincial Park; and

That a letter of support be issued to the Town of Cochrane.  
“CARRIED”

**b. Perth County – Domestic COVID-19 Vaccine Production and Capacity**

2021-090 **Moved: Mark Lenover**                      **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, support Perth County's resolution recommending the Federal Government support domestic production of a COVID-19 vaccine; and

Direct municipal staff to issue a letter of support to Perth County.  
“CARRIED”

**c. Town of Englehart – DTSSAB Contributions to Ontario Works Program**

2021-091 **Moved: Loren Runnalls**                      **Seconded: Mark Lenover**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, support the Town of Englehart's resolution requesting the DTSSAB board revise their decision to withdraw \$11,041 from reserves to correct improper billings to the Town of Englehart and instead conduct an internal audit on all Ontario Works cases from 2019 onward and make the appropriate adjustment to each municipality; and

Direct municipal staff to issue a letter of support to the Town of Englehart and the board of DTSSAB.  
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**g. Northern Ontario Farm Innovation Alliance – Letter of Support for NOHFC’s Tile Drainage**

2021-093    **Moved: Mark Lenover**                      **Seconded: Loren Runnalls**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, support the Northern Ontario Farm Innovation Alliance letter dated April 14th, 2021 requesting support for the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation’s Tile Drainage Funding which assists farmers with land improvements; and

Direct staff to issue a letter of support to Stephanie Vanthof, Tile Drainage Coordinator.

“CARRIED”

**8. Correspondence for Council’s Information:**

- a. DTSSAB – Issue Involving the Town of Englehart & Ontario Works Cases
- b. FONOM – Media Release – May 14, 2021
- c. FONOM – Media Release – May 18, 2021
- d. City of Temiskaming Shores – Library Services
- e. Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing – Liquor License Act

**9. Other Business:**

- a. 2021 Budget Option No. 4

2021-094    **Moved: Mark Lenover**                      **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, direct the Clerk-Treasurer to prepare a by-law to provide the adoption of tax rates given levy option # 4, which is to be presented to council at the next regular meeting.

“CARRIED”

**10. Adjournment:**

2021-095    **Moved: Dennis Jibb**                      **Seconded: Mark Lenover**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby adjourn the Regular Meeting at 9:45 pm and will meet again on July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021 or at the call of the Reeve.

“CARRIED”

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**Terry Phillips, Reeve**

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**Jordan Kemp, Clerk-Treasurer**