

TOWNSHIP OF KERNS
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
of July 6, 2021
Held at the Kerns Community Hall

Present: **Reeve:** Terry Phillips
 Councillors: Loren Runnalls
 Dennis Jibb
 Mark Lenover
 Carter Seymour (*arrived 8:30 p.m.*)
 Staff: Jordan Kemp, Clerk-Treasurer
 Guy Godmaire, Road Superintendent (*via Electronic*)
 Krystle Seymour, Clerk-Treasurer Assistant (*Left 8:10 p.m.*)
 Other(s): Steven Acland, CPA, CA, Kemp Elliot & Blair (*Left 8:25 p.m.*)

Regrets: None

1. Open Regular Meeting of Council & Adoption of Agenda

2021-096 **Moved: Mark Lenover Seconded: Dennis Jibb**
 That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, open the Regular Meeting of Council of July 6th, 2021 at 8:00 p.m.
 “CARRIED”

2021-097 **Moved: Dennis Jibb Seconded: Mark Lenover**
 That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, accept the agenda as presented:
 “CARRIED”

2. Adoption of Minutes

2021-098 **Moved: Dennis Jibb Seconded: Loren Runnalls**
 That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, adopt the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of June 1st, 2021 as presented.
 “CARRIED”

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None

4. Delegations

a. Steven Acland, CPA, CA – Kemp, Elliot & Blair LLP 2020 Audited Financial Statements

2021-099 **Moved: Loren Runnalls Seconded: Dennis Jibb**
 That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, acknowledge receipt of the Corporation of the Township of Kerns audited financial statements for 2020 as presented by Steven Acland, CPA, CA from Kemp, Elliot & Blair LLP.; and

Authorize the signing of any documents pertaining to the acceptance of the 2020 audited financial statements and the engagement of Kemp, Elliot & Blair LLP. for the 2021 audit as presented.
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5. Payment of Accounts – Voucher No. 2021-06

2021-100 **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	\$22,379.82
Fire	\$2,014.27
Admin	\$78,437.47
Total Voucher 2021-06	\$102,831.56

“CARRIED”

6. Reports from Staff & Others

a. Road’s Department Report

The Roads Superintendent reports that roadside grass cutting has been completed on Monday.

Gravel was added on Uno Park Rd. after the heavy rainfall, there were issues on Uno Park Rd. We put down 20 loads of gravel where needed. Gravel will be placed on Maybrook Rd as planned and if money allows will put some on Uno Park Rd. The new internet tower was supposed to be put up by now, but they are delayed while waiting for the frame.

b. Fire’s Department Report

5 Volunteers will be going to write their DZ license. They may contact 5th Wheel Training to provide a refresher course prior to the exam.

c. Others

- i. Timiskaming Health Unit Municipal Meetings – Minutes of 21-May-2021**
- ii. Timiskaming Health Unit Municipal Meetings – Minutes of 04-June-2021**
- iii. Timiskaming Health Unit Municipal Meetings – Minutes of 25-June-2021**
- iv. Treasurer’s Report as of June 30th, 2021**

2021-101 **Moved: Mark Lenover 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 – Minutes of 21-May-2021
 - ii. Timiskaming Health Unit Municipal Meetings – Minutes of 04-June-2021
 - iii. Timiskaming Health Unit Municipal Meetings – Minutes of 25-June-2021
 - iv. Treasurer’s Report as of June 30th, 2021
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7. Correspondence for Council’s Consideration:

a. Tay Valley Township – Provincial Hospital Funding for Major Capital Equipment

No Action Taken

b. Township of Rideau Lakes – Funding to Care for Abandoned Cemeteries

No Action Taken

c. Town of Fort Erie – Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence

2021-102

Moved: Carter Seymour Seconded: Loren Runnalls

That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby support the Town of Fort Erie’s resolution requesting that the Federal Government cease further consideration of eliminating capital gains tax exemptions on primary residences and look at other means to slow down the rapidly escalating housing costs to improve housing affordability; and

Direct municipal staff to issue a letter of support to the Town of Fort Erie.
“CARRIED”

d. Peter Julian, M.P. – Request for Support Regarding Motion M-84 & Bill C-313

No Action Taken

e. Township of The Archipelago – Bill 228 – Banning Unencapsulated Polystyrene Foam

No Action Taken

f. Township of The Archipelago – Bill 279 – Environmental Protection Amendment Act

No Action Taken

g. Town of Halton Hills – Elimination of Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT)

2021-103

Moved: Dennis Jibb Seconded: Mark Lenover

That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby support the Town of Halton Hills resolution requesting the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing immediately restore the amendments to the Planning Act that mandated the evaluation of appeals on a consistency and conformity with Provincial policies and plans basis; and

The Government of Ontario eliminate the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal entirely, as an antiquated body that slows delivery and adds costs to housing supply via expensive and drawn-out tribunal hearings; and

Direct municipal staff to issue a letter of support to the Town of Halton Hills.
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h. City of St. Catharines – Lyme Disease Awareness Month

No Action Taken

i. Municipality of Southwest Middlesex – Drainage Matters Regarding CN Rail

No Action Taken

j. Town of Englehart – Broadband Internet

No Action Taken

8. Correspondence for Council’s Information:

a. FONOM – Media Release – June 3, 2021

b. Attorney General – Update on Modernization Activities and Court Recovery

c. Northern Ontario School of Medicine – First Stand-Alone Medical University in Canada

d. Municipal Modernization Program Intake #2

9. Other Business:

a. Revision to Milberta Cemetery Fees

2021-104 **Moved: Mark Lenover** **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**

That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, acknowledge receipt of the Assistant Clerk-Treasurer’s Memorandum dated July 6th, 2021 which is to be filed along with the minutes of the regular meeting; and

Support the recommendation to revise ‘Schedule A’ to By-Law 2004-19 Being a By-Law Governing the Operation of the Township of Kerns Municipal Cemetery for the purpose of increasing the amounts collected for the care and maintenance fees from residents and non residents to ensure compliance with recent revisions from the Bereavement Authority of Ontario; and

Direct the Clerk-Treasurer to prepare a by-law to be presented at the regular meeting of July 6th, 2021 to amend ‘Schedule A’ to By-Law 2004-19.
“CARRIED”

b. Supply & Installation of Generator Quotes

2021-105 **Moved: Loren Runnalls** **Seconded: Carter Seymour**

That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, acknowledge receipt of three quotes obtained by the Road Superintendent from qualified electricians for the supply and installation of a 30KW propane fired generator; and

Authorize the Road Superintendent to sign any documents required to award the project to Joedy Aitchison Electric for \$33,443.25 before HST which is to be funded under the ICIP-COVID-19 Resilience Fund.
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c. The Rental of Storage Tank Systems & Continuous Supply of Gasoline & Diesel Fuel Quotes

2021-106 **Moved: Loren Runnalls** **Seconded: Carter Seymour**
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, acknowledge receipt of official results provided by the Township of Harley regarding RFQ-2021-01 whereby the Township of Harley is the lead township requesting quotes for the rental of storage tank systems and the continuous supply of gasoline and diesel fuel for the Township of Harley, Township of Kerns, Township of Casey, and Township of Hudson; and

Direct staff to issue a letter of recommendation to award RFQ-2021-01 to Co-op Régionale for Township of Harley's consideration at their next regular meeting of July 13th.
"CARRIED"

d. The Supply & Delivery of One (1) New Tandem Truck with Dump Body, Snow Plow & wing Equipment Proposals

2021-107 **Moved: Mark Lenover** **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, acknowledge receipt of official results provided by municipal staff regarding RFP-2021-01 whereby the Township of Kerns requested proposals from qualified dealers for the supply and delivery of one (1) new tandem truck with dump body, snow plow and wing equipment; and

Direct staff to prepare a by-law to enter into a purchase agreement with Currie Truck Centre for the amount of \$266,920.00 before HST as per the recommendation of the Road Superintendent, which is to be presented at the regular meeting of July 6th, 2021.
"CARRIED"

e. Siding & Entrance Quotes

2021-108 **Moved: Mark Lenover** **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, acknowledge receipt of one complete quote obtained by the Road Superintendent from a qualified contractor for the installation of metal siding supplied by the township for the old sand shed and for the construction of three small exterior entrances with materials supplied by the contractor for the community hall and fire hall; and

Acknowledge due to current demand in construction, only one complete quote was submitted and therefore authorize the Road Superintendent to sign any documents required to award the project to H&T Construction Inc. for a total of \$12,886.85 before HST which is to be funded under the ICIP COVID-19 Resilience Fund, condition on proof of insurance and good standing with WSIB.
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10. By-Laws

- a. By-Law 2021-08** Being a by-law to provide for the adoption of tax rates and to further provide for penalty and interest in default of payment thereof for 2021
[three readings]

2021-109 **Moved: Mark Lenover** **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**
That By-Law No. 2021-08, being a by-law to provide for the adoption of tax rates and to further provide for penalty and interest in default of payment thereof for 2021, be received and read a first and second time.
“CARRIED”

2021-110 **Moved: Loren Runnalls** **Seconded: Carter Seymour**
That By-Law No. 2021-08, being a by-law to provide for the adoption of tax rates and to further provide for penalty and interest in default of payment thereof for 2021, be read a third time and that the same be engrossed in the by-law book.
“CARRIED”

- b. By-Law 2021-09** Being a by-law to amend tariff of fees listed in ‘Schedule A’ of the Corporation of the Township of Kerns’ By-Law 2004-19 being a by-law governing the operation of the Township of Kerns Municipal Cemetery
[three readings]

2021-111 **Moved: Carter Seymour** **Seconded: Loren Runnalls**
That By-Law No. 2021-09, being a by-law to amend tariff of fees listed in ‘Schedule A’ of the Corporation of the Township of Kerns’ By-Law 2004-19 being a by-law governing the operation of the Township of Kerns Municipal Cemetery be received and read a first and second time.
“CARRIED”

2021-112 **Moved: Mark Lenover** **Seconded: Dennis Jibb**
That By-Law No. 2021-09, being a by-law to amend tariff of fees listed in ‘Schedule A’ of the Corporation of the Township of Kerns’ By-Law 2004-19 being a by-law governing the operation of the Township of Kerns Municipal Cemetery be read a third time and that the same be engrossed in the by-law book.
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- c. By-Law 2021-10** That By-Law No. 2021-10, being a by-law to authorize the purchase of a 2022 Western Star 4700SB tandem truck with dump body, snow plow and wing equipment
[three readings]

2021-113 **Moved: Dennis Jibb** **Seconded: Mark Lenover**
That By-Law No. 2021-10, being a by-law to authorize the purchase of a 2022 Western Star 4700SB tandem truck with dump body, snow plow and wing equipment be received and read a first and second time.
“CARRIED”

2021-114 **Moved: Loren Runnalls** **Seconded: Carter Seymour**
That By-Law No. 2021-10, being a by-law to authorize the purchase of a 2022 Western Star 4700SB tandem truck with dump body, snow plow and wing equipment be read a third time and that the same be engrossed in the by-law book.
“CARRIED”

11. Resolution to Move to Closed Session:

- a. None**

12. Adjournment:

2021-115 **Moved: Loren Runnalls** **Seconded: Carter Seymour**
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby adjourn the Regular Meeting at 10:08 pm and will meet again on August 3rd, 2021 or at the call of the Reeve.
“CARRIED”

Terry Phillips, Reeve

Jordan Kemp, Clerk-Treasurer