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once more information is received and more answers are known in regards to questions such as liability.

2024-004    **Moved: Dennis Jibb**                      **Seconded: Loren Runnalls**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, acknowledge the presentation by Bill Ramsay of the Snowmobile Club, in regards to the recreation trail that runs from Elk Lake to Earleton, specifically the railway right of way.  
“CARRIED”

**5. Payment of Accounts – Voucher No. 2023-12**

2024-005    **Moved: Carter Seymour**                      **Seconded: Loren Runnalls**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns, do hereby, approve the payment of accounts as presented:

Roads	\$14,248.55
Fire	\$11,137.12
Admin	\$72,245.11
Total Voucher 2023-12	\$97,630.78

“CARRIED”

**6. Reports from Staff & Others**

**a. Road’s Department Report**

The Roads Superintendent reports that a new sign and gate was installed at the Wabi Pit and the boundary markers will be done shortly. The Superintendent would like to do some work back at the pit to make it more accessible should Council want to use it in the future for crushing aggregate. Staff are currently fabricating marker pins for the new cemetery section. The Superintendent received a request to put a sign on Uno Park Road indicating a steep curved hill. He will look into his sign inventory but can not install new signage till the spring.

**b. Fire’s Department Report**

The Fire Chief reports that no calls were received. The Fire Department did some electronic waste pick ups in Elk Lake.

**c. Others**

**i. Eco-Logix’s Landfill Report – November 2023**

2024-006    **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. Eco-Logix’s Landfill Report – November 2023

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

**a. Township of Clearview – Cemetery Administration Management Support**

2024-007      **Moved: Loren Runnalls**                      **Seconded: Carter Seymour**

That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, support the Township of Clearview's request for the Province of Ontario to;

Amend the Funeral, Burial and Cremation Services Act, 2002 (FBCSA), to have the Province through the Bereavement Authority of Ontario (BAO), identified as the default owner and operator of a cemetery when it is abandoned; and

Provide annual funding (based on the number of cemeteries a municipality owns and operates) to assist with the maintenance of inactive and active cemeteries; and

Provide free training opportunities for municipalities regarding cemetery administration; and

Investigate and support the design of universal cemetery software for use by municipal cemetery operators that be offered at an affordable cost; and

Direct municipal staff to issue a copy of this resolution to the Township of Clearview.

“CARRIED”

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

**a. Memo-24-001 – THU Municipal Expense Allocation Method Confirmation**

**9. Other Business:**

**a. Memo-24-002 – Council Meeting Time Amendment**

2024-008      **Moved: Dennis Jibb**                      **Seconded: Loren Runnalls**

That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, acknowledge receipt of Memo-24-002 regarding the change to the Council Meeting Time; and

That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns direct the Clerk-Treasurer to prepare and present the necessary by-law to amend By-Law 2020-05 for Council's consideration at the Regular Meeting of January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024.

“CARRIED”

**b. Memo-24-003 – Blue Box Transition**

2024-009      **Moved: Dennis Jibb**                      **Seconded: Loren Runnalls**

That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, acknowledge receipt of Memo-24-003 regarding the Blue Box Transition; and

Agree to attend Belinda Beairsto's presentation on the Blue Box Transition on February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at the Hudson Council Meeting; and

Agree to defer a decision until more information is received.

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**c. 2023 Earlton-Timiskaming Airport Donation [no item]**

2024-010    **Moved: Carter Seymour                      Seconded: Dennis Jibb**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, direct municipal staff to issue a donation to the Timiskaming Regional Airport Authority in the amount of \$3,000 for the 2023 fiscal year.  
“CARRIED”

**10. By-Laws**

**a. By-Law 2024-01**    Being a by-law to provide for an interim tax levy, due date for the payment of interim taxes, and penalty and interest charges for the non-payment of taxes or any installment by the due date  
*[three readings]*

2024-011    **Moved: Dennis Jibb                                      Seconded: Carter Seymour**  
That **By-Law No. 2024-01**, being a by-law to provide for an interim tax levy, due date for the payment of interim taxes, and penalty and interest charges for the non-payment of taxes of any installment by the due date be received and read a first and second time.  
“CARRIED”

2024-012    **Moved: Loren Runnalls                                      Seconded: Dennis Jibb**  
That **By-Law No. 2024-01**, being a by-law to provide for an interim tax levy, due date for the payment of interim taxes, and penalty and interest charges for the non-payment of taxes of any installment by the due date by-law to be read a third time and that the same be engrossed in the by-law book.  
“CARRIED”

**b. By-Law 2024-02**    Being a by-law to being a by-law of the Township of Kerns to authorize temporary borrowing from time to time to meet current expenditures during the fiscal year ending December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024  
*[three readings]*

2024-013    **Moved: Carter Seymour                                      Seconded: Loren Runnalls**  
That **By-Law No. 2024-02**, being a by-law to being a by-law of the Township of Kerns to authorize temporary borrowing from time to time to meet current expenditures during the fiscal year ending December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024 be received and read a first and second time.  
“CARRIED”

2024-014    **Moved: Loren Runnalls                                      Seconded: Dennis Jibb**  
That **By-Law No. 2024-02**, being a by-law to being a by-law of the Township of Kerns to authorize temporary borrowing from time to time to meet current expenditures during the fiscal year ending December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024 be read a third time and that the same be engrossed in the by-law book.  
“CARRIED”

**c. By-Law 2024-03**    Being a by-law to amend By-Law 2022-02, being a by-law to authorize the extension of the agreement made the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2000 with the Corporation of the Township of Harley for receiving Road Superintendent Services

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*[three readings]*

- 2024-015    **Moved: Dennis Jibb**                      **Seconded: Carter Seymour**  
That **By-Law No. 2024-03**, being a by-law to amend By-Law 2022-02, being a by-law to authorize the extension of the agreement made the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2000 with the Corporation of the Township of Harley for receiving Road Superintendent Services be received and read a first and second time.  
“CARRIED”
- 2024-016    **Moved: Dennis Jibb**                      **Seconded: Carter Seymour**  
That **By-Law No. 2024-03**, being a by-law to amend By-Law 2022-02, being a by-law to authorize the extension of the agreement made the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2000 with the Corporation of the Township of Harley for receiving Road Superintendent Services be read a third time and that the same be engrossed in the by-law book.  
“CARRIED”
- d. By-Law 2024-04**    Being a by-law to amend the Corporation of the Township of Kerns’ By-Law 2020-05 to govern the proceedings of council, the conduct of its members and the calling of meetings No. 927 – Municipal Act Provisions  
*[three readings]*
- 2024-017    **Moved: Loren Runnalls**                      **Seconded: Denis Jibb**  
That **By-Law No. 2024-04**, being a by-law to to amend the Corporation of the Township of Kerns’ By-Law 2020-05 to govern the proceedings of council, the conduct of its members and the calling of meetings No. 927 – Municipal Act Provisions be received and read a first and second time.  
“CARRIED”
- 2024-018    **Moved: Carter Seymour**                      **Seconded: Loren Runnalls**  
That **By-Law No. 2024-04**, being a by-law to to amend the Corporation of the Township of Kerns’ By-Law 2020-05 to govern the proceedings of council, the conduct of its members and the calling of meetings No. 927 – Municipal Act Provisions be read a third time and that the same be engrossed in the by-law book.  
“CARRIED”
- e. By-Law 2024-05**    Being a by-law to enter into an agreement with the Township of Harley for Shared Administrative Services  
*[three readings]*
- 2024-019    **Moved: Loren Runnalls**                      **Seconded: Carter Seymour**  
That **By-Law No. 2024-05**, being a by-law to enter into an agreement with the Township of Harley for Shared Administrative Services be received and read a first and second time.  
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2024-020    **Moved:**    **Carter Seymour**                      **Seconded:**    **Dennis Jibb**  
That **By-Law No. 2024-05**, being a by-law to enter into an agreement with the Township of Harley for Shared Administrative Services be read a third time and that the same be engrossed in the by-law book.  
"CARRIED"

**11. Resolution to Move to Closed Session:**

None

**12. Adjournment:**

2024-021    **Moved:**    **Dennis Jibb**                                      **Seconded:**    **Loren Runnalls**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby adjourn the Regular Meeting at 9:15 pm and will meet again on February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 or at the call of the Reeve.  
"CARRIED"

  
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Terry Phillips, Reeve

  
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Krystle Seymour, Clerk-Treasurer