

**TOWNSHIP OF KERNS**  
**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**  
**of OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2024**  
**Held at the Kerns Community Hall**

**Present:**   **Reeve:**     Terry Phillips  
              **Councillors:** Loren Runnalls  
                          Dennis Jibb  
                          Mark Lenover  
                          Carter Seymour  
              **Staff:**     Krystle Seymour, Clerk-Treasurer  
                          Allison Doyon, Assistant Clerk-Treasurer  
**Regrets:**           Guy Godmaire, Road Superintendent

**1. Call Meeting to Order & Adoption of Agenda**

2024-123   **Moved:**   **Mark Lenover**                   **Seconded:**   **Loren Runnalls**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, open the Regular Meeting of Council of October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 at 7:30 p.m.  
“CARRIED”

2024-124   **Moved:**   **Carter Seymour**                   **Seconded:**   **Loren Runnalls**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, accept the agenda as presented.  
“CARRIED”

**2. Adoption of Minutes**

**a. Regular Meeting of September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024**

2024-125   **Moved:**   **Dennis Jibb**                   **Seconded:**   **Mark Lenover**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, adopt the following minutes:  
    a. Regular Meeting of September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 as presented.  
“CARRIED”

**3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

None

**4. Delegations:**

None

**5. Payment of Accounts – Voucher No. 2024-09**

2024-126   **Moved:**   **Mark Lenover**                   **Seconded:**   **Carter Seymour**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns, do hereby, approve the payment of accounts as presented:

Roads	\$14,864.09
Fire	\$2,407.38
Admin	\$96,940.77
Total Voucher 2024-09	<u>\$114,212.24</u>

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**6. Reports from Staff & Others**

**a. Roads Department Report**

The Roads Superintendent reports that Milberta road is still seeing a large increase in traffic volume, presumably from the Highway 11

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construction. Currently waiting on quotes for winter sand. Gravel hauling is expected to start shortly.

**b. Fire Department Report**

The Fire Chief reports that there was a false alarm call for an outdoor brush pile fire in Henwood. The resident had all necessary fire suppression equipment and were monitoring the fire closely to keep it contained.

**c. Others**

**i. Eco-Logix's Landfill Report – August 2024**

**ii. TMSA – AGM Minutes – 2023**

**iii. Treasurer's Report – September 2024**

2024-127 **Moved: Mark Lenover                      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 along with the minutes of the regular meeting:

- a. Roads Department Report
- b. Fire Department Report
- c. Others
  - i. Eco-Logix's Landfill Report – August 2024
  - ii. TMSA – AGM Minutes – 2023
  - iii. Treasurer's Report – September 2024

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

**a. Municipality of Tweed – AMO CCBF Additional Funding**

2024-128 **Moved: Carter Seymour                      Seconded: Loren Runnalls**

That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby, support the Municipality of Tweed's resolution calling on the Federal Government to provide a supplement to the allocations provided to municipalities under the AMO CCBF agreement for 2024-2028 for the same amount that was allocated, effectively doubling the allocation for those years; and

Direct municipal staff to issue a copy of this resolution to the Municipality of Tweed.

“CARRIED”

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

**a. Ministry of Natural Resources – Slash Pile Burning**

**9. Other Business:**

**a. Armstrong Public Library Agreement 2025**

2024-129 **Moved: Loren Runnalls                      Seconded: Carter Seymour**

That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby acknowledge receipt of Armstrong Township Public Library's agreement to provide full library services to the residents of The Township of Kerns for the year 2025; and

Agree to forward payment equal to the Public Library Operating Grant received by Kerns Township to the Armstrong Township Public Library as payment for library services; and

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Authorize the Clerk-Treasurer and Reeve to enter into an agreement with the Armstrong Township Public Library for the service year 2025.  
"CARRIED"

**b. Memo 2024-013 – Non-Resident Fee Reimbursement**  
2024-130 **Moved: Mark Lenover                      Seconded: Dennis Jibb**  
That we, the Council of Kerns do hereby, acknowledge receipt of Memo 2024-013 – Non-Resident Fee Reimbursement; and

Agree to reimburse Kerns Township Residents 100% of all current non-resident user fees, to a maximum of \$150.00, incurred for any children's (ages 17 and under) recreational activities within the District of Timiskaming, provided that itemized receipts are submitted to the municipal office for reimbursement prior to December 31<sup>st</sup> of the fiscal year for which the non-resident user fee was incurred.  
"CARRIED"


**c. Landfill Use Contract Negotiation [no item]**  
The Clerk-Treasurer presented landfill data showing percentages of users at the Hudson landfill attending from Kerns vs Hudson, as well as data showing the amount of recycling and garbage being deposited by residents of each township per month over a 16-month period. Council directed staff to discuss this data with Hudson Council to assist in negotiating a new cost share for the use of the Hudson Landfill as per Hudson Township's motion 2022-100 dated July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

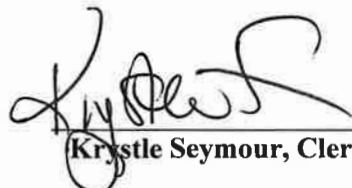
**10. By-Laws:**  
None

**11. Resolution to Move to Closed Session:**  
None

**12. Adjournment:**

2024-131 **Moved: Carter Seymour                      Seconded: Loren Runnalls**  
That we, the Council of the Township of Kerns do hereby adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:30 pm and will meet again on November 5<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