

**The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes**  
**Minutes**  
**City of Kawartha Lakes Off Road Vehicle Use of City**  
**Roads Task Force**

**ORVTF2021-04**  
**Friday, March 19, 2021**  
**10:00 A.M. – Electronic Participation**  
**Public Works and Engineering Boardroom**  
**322 Kent Street West**  
**Lindsay, ON K9V 4T7**

**Members:**  
**Councillor Pat Dunn**  
**Councillor Kathleen Seymour-Fagan**  
**Councillor Tracy Richardson**  
**Steve Lane**  
**Don Mitchell**  
**Jason Ramsay**  
**Carolyn Richards**

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**1. Call to Order**

Councillor Dunn called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. with the following members present electronically Councillor Richardson, Councillor Seymour-Fagan, S. Lane, D. Mitchell, J. Ramsay and C. Richards.

Director of Public Works B. Robinson and Administrative Assistant B. Harrison were also in attendance electronically.

**2. Adoption of Agenda**

**ORVTF2021-012**

**Moved By** Councillor Richardson

**Seconded By** S. Lane

**That** the agenda be adopted as circulated.

**Carried**

**3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest disclosed.

**4. Adoption of Minutes**

**Off Road Vehicle Use of City Roads Task Force Meeting Minutes - March 4, 2021**

**ORVTF2021-013**

**Moved By** C. Richards

**Seconded By** D. Mitchell

**That** the minutes of the Off Road Vehicle Use of City Roads Task Force meeting held on March 4, 2021, be adopted as circulated.

**Carried**

**5. Deputations Regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**

Councillor Dunn advised that 26 residents had registered to speak about the use of Off Road Vehicles on City roads. The speakers were called in order of registration:

Shirley Hackett

Ms. Hackett spoke in favour of multi-use trails.

**ORVTF2021-014**

**Moved By** Councillor Richardson

**Seconded By** C. Richards

**That** the deputation by Shirley Hackett, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**

Jamie Morris

Mr. Morris identified concern regarding the tasks that have been set by the Off Road Vehicle Task Force. Mr. Morris spoke in favour of use of the trails to remain as the status quo and that the use not be expanded to accommodate Off Road Vehicles.

**ORVTF2021-015**

**Moved By** S. Lane

**Seconded By** C. Richards

**That** the deputation by Jamie Morris, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**

Glenda Morris

Ms. Morris spoke in opposition to the use of Off Road Vehicles on City roads and highlighted concern relating to the environmental impact resulting from the use of Off Road Vehicles.

**ORVTF2021-016**

**Moved By** Councillor Richardson

**Seconded By** S. Lane

**That** the deputation by Glenda Morris, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**

Jim Armstrong

Mr. Armstrong highlighted the need for a safe and responsible decision making process as the use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads is examined.

**ORVTF2021-017**

**Moved By** Councillor Seymour-Fagan

**Seconded By** C. Richards

**That** the deputation by Jim Armstrong, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**

Bill Steffler

Mr. Steffler spoke in opposition to the use of Off Road Vehicles on City roads and highlighted concerns relating to increased maintenance costs for roads and trails resulting from increased usage and also identified safety concerns.

**ORVTF2021-018**

**Moved By** Councillor Richardson

**Seconded By** C. Richards

**That** the deputation by Bill Steffler, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**

Kathleen Cooper

Ms. Cooper highlighted the need to consider the use of the equestrian use of the trails and noted that it would be beneficial to establish an education program to promote awareness surrounding the use of trails by equestrians.

**ORVTF2021-019**

**Moved By** Councillor Richardson

**Seconded By** Councillor Seymour-Fagan

**That** the deputation by Kathleen Cooper, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**

Dr. Peter Petrosoniak

Dr. Petrosoniak spoke in opposition to the use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads and outlined concerns relating to public health and safety that would result from the multi-use.

**ORVTF2021-020**

**Moved By** Councillor Seymour-Fagan

**Seconded By** Councillor Richardson

**That** the deputation by Peter Petroseniak, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**

Mark Stewart

Mr. Stewart spoke in favour of multi-use trails and provided an overview of the benefits that could result from that multi-use.

**ORVTF2021-021**

**Moved By** S. Lane

**Seconded By** D. Mitchell

**That** the deputation by Mark Stewart, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**

Heather Stauble

Ms. Stauble spoke in opposition to the use of Off Road Vehicles on City roads and outlined concerns associated with safety. Ms. Stauble also highlighted a need to establish enforcement and increase education regarding the use of Off Road Vehicles.

**ORVTF2021-022**

**Moved By** D. Mitchell

**That** the deputation by Heather Stauble, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**

Ross Pettty

Mr. Petty spoke in favour of the use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads and outlined the economic benefits that could result from increased use of Off Road Vehicles in the area.

**ORVTF2021-023**

**Moved By** S. Lane

**Seconded By** D. Mitchell

**That** the deputation by Ross Petty, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**

Shane Kelly

Mr. Kelly spoke in favour of the use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads and provided an overview of how the use of Off Road Vehicles on City roads would benefit the Villages surrounding the Town of Lindsay and provide a way for individuals with mobility issues to explore the local area.

**ORVTF2021-024**

**Moved By** Councillor Richardson

**Seconded By** J. Ramsay

**That** the deputation by Shane Kelly, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**

Ray DeNure

Mr. DeNure spoke in opposition to the use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads and highlighted concerns relating to the compatibility of Off Road Vehicles with pedestrians and cyclists. Mr. DeNure also noted that it would be beneficial for the use of Off Road Vehicles on City roads to be considered in conjunction with the Trails Master Plan.

**ORVTF2021-025**

**Moved By** S. Lane

**Seconded By** C. Richards

**That** the deputation by Ray DeNure, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**

Rob Jardine

Mr. Jardine spoke in favour of the use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads and provided an overview of the positive impact that could result from the increased use of Off Road Vehicles in the local area.

**ORVTF2021-026**

**Moved By** Councillor Richardson

**Seconded By** S. Lane

**That** the deputation by Rob Jardine, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**

Michael Ormiston

Mr. Ormiston spoke in favour of the use of Off Road Vehicles on City roads and outlined how the use of Off Road Vehicles can have a positive impact on the local area. Mr. Ormiston noted the importance of education on the safe use of Off Road Vehicles.

**ORVTF2021-027**

**Moved By** D. Mitchell

**Seconded By** Councillor Seymour-Fagan

**That** the deputation by Michael Ormiston, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**

Bruce Fraser

Mr. Fraser spoke in favour of the use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads. Mr. Fraser noted the importance of safe use of Off Road Vehicles and also noted that the use of Off Road Vehicles on City roads will increase the use of the trails by individuals by removing the need move an Off Road Vehicle by trailer.

**ORVTF2021-028**

**Moved By** Councillor Richardson

**Seconded By** J. Ramsay

**That** the deputation by Bruce Fraser, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**

Jeri Campbell

Ms. Campbell spoke in favour of the use of Off Road Vehicles and noted that there gates along the rail trail corridor are limiting the use of those trails by Side-by-Side Vehicles. Councillor Dunn confirmed that the issue surrounding the gates would be something to be reviewed in conjunction with the Trails Master Plan.

**ORVTF2021-029**

**Moved By** D. Mitchell

**Seconded By** S. Lane

**That** the deputation by Jeri Campbell, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**

Greg Fitch

Mr. Fitch spoke in favour of the use of Off Road Vehicles on City roads and asked if Off Road Vehicles will be required to have mirrors or signal lights. Mr. Fitch also questioned who would be policing the use of Off Road Vehicles on City roads.

**ORVTF2021-030**

**Moved By** S. Lane

**Seconded By** D. Mitchell

**That** the deputation by Greg Fitch, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**

John Speirs

Mr. Speirs spoke in opposition to the use of Off Road Vehicles on City roads and highlighted concerns relating to a possible increase in volume of traffic along residential corridors. Mr. Speirs suggested that by-pass options be considered to direct traffic around high volume residential corridors.

**ORVTF2021-031**

**Moved By** Councillor Richardson

**Seconded By** D. Mitchell

**That** the deputation by John Speirs, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**



Arthur Hornibrook

Mr. Hornibrook spoke in opposition to the use of Off Road Vehicles on City roads and noted that it would be beneficial for the use of Off Road Vehicles on City roads to be reviewed in conjunction with the City's Active Transportation Plan.

**ORVTF2021-032**

**Moved By** S. Lane

**Seconded By** Councillor Seymour-Fagan

**That** the deputation by Arthur Hornibrook, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**

Sandy Hickson

Ms. Hickson spoke in favour of the use of Off Road Vehicles on City roads. Ms. Hickson noted that Off Road Vehicles provide an opportunity for residents to enjoy the local area.

**ORVTF2021-033**

**Moved By** Councillor Richardson

**Seconded By** S. Lane

**That** the deputation by Sandy Hickson, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**

John Bush

Mr. Bush advised that he is the co-president of Environmental Action Bobcaygeon and he spoke in opposition to the use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads. Mr. Bush noted that the Active Transportation Plan should be implemented before the use of Off Road Vehicles on City roads should be considered.

**ORVTF2021-034**

**Moved By** Councillor Seymour-Fagan

**Seconded By** C. Richards

**That** the deputation by John Bush, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**

Phil Hodgson

Mr. Hodgson, of HB Cycle, spoke in favour of the use of Off Road Vehicles on City roads.

**ORVTF2021-035**

**Moved By** Councillor Richardson

**Seconded By** Councillor Seymour-Fagan

**That** the deputation by Phil Hodgson, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**

Kerrie Bartlett

Ms. Bartlett spoke in favour of the use of Off Road Vehicles on City roads. Ms. Bartlett noted that the use of Off Road Vehicles provide individuals with mobility issues with an opportunity to explore the local area.

**ORVTF2021-036**

**Moved By** S. Lane

**Seconded By** J. Ramsay

**That** the deputation by Kerrie Bartlett, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**

Chuck Moore

Mr. Moore spoke in favour of multi-use trails. Mr. Moore noted that the increased use of Off Road Vehicles in the area would have a positive economic impact.

**ORVTF2021-037**

**Moved By** Councillor Richardson

**Seconded By** Councillor Seymour-Fagan

**That** the deputation by Chuck Moore, **regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**, be received.

**Carried**

**6. Correspondence Regarding the Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads**

**ORVTF 2021-038**

**Moved By** Councillor Seymour-Fagan

**Seconded By** Councillor Richardson

That the correspondence submitted to the Off Road Vehicle Use of City Roads Task Force be received.

**Carried**

**7. Review Recommendations**

Councillor Dunn asked the Task Force if there were any amendments that to be incorporated into the recommendations relating to the use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads that were being considered by the Task Force.

**ORVTF2021-039**

**Moved By** Councillor Richardson

**Seconded By** C. Richards

**That** the proposed recommendations from the Off Road Vehicle Use of City Roads Task Force be amended to include a recommendation that the City of Kawartha Lakes, in consultation with Kawartha ATV Association ("KATVA"), provide further education for individuals wanting to use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads.

**Carried**

The Task Force discussed when the proposed recommendations from the Off Road Vehicle Use of City Roads Task Force would be presented to Committee of the Whole and Council for consideration. It was noted that the survey that has been initiated relating to Off Road Vehicle Use closes on April 19, 2021.

**ORVTF2021-041**

**Moved By** S. Lane

**That** the draft recommendations from the Off Road Vehicle Use of City Roads Task Force regarding the use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads, as amended, be forwarded to the May 4, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting for consideration.

**Carried**

**8. Next Meeting Date**

The next Use of Off Road Vehicles on City Roads Task Force Meeting will be held at the call of the Chair.

**9. Adjournment**

**ORVTF2021-042**

**Moved By** S. Lane

**Seconded By** D. Mitchell

**That** the Off Road Vehicle Use of City Roads Task Force Meeting adjourn at 12:31 p.m.

**Carried**