

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

April 26, 2011

**PRESENT:** Reeve Kevin Holland  
Councillor Grant Arnold  
Councillor Robert MacMaster  
Councillor Robert Rydholm

**ALSO PRESENT:** Ken Malinoski, Road Superintendent. Mr. W. Hill

**ABSENT:** Councillor Mary-Lynne Hunt

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Reeve Holland called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

2. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**Resolution No. 2011- 74**

**Moved by** Councillor Rydholm  
**Seconded by** Councillor Arnold

**THAT** the Meeting Agenda be adopted as prepared.  
**CARRIED.**

3. **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest on the part of any member of Council present.

4. **DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS**

4.1 Mr. Hill

Mr. Hill attended the Council meeting to question why he had received a letter from the Township solicitor regarding his house on a portion of Lot 5, Conc. 8.

Reeve Holland advised that because the home was built on a lot without municipal road frontage, and without a building permit, the Township had to send the letter to advise of the illegal status of the building.

Reeve Holland questioned whether Mr. Hill had received a building permit. Mr. Hill noted that he had been told at the office that a building permit would not be issued as there was no frontage on an open, public and maintained road. Mr. Hill then advised that Mr. Francis Enders, the Building Official at the time, told him to go ahead and build without a permit.

Mr. Hill advised that he built and maintains the road. He also noted that he had spoken with Mr. Kons, a United States resident who owns the property Mr. Hill must cross with his road, and that Mr. Kons had not objected.

Mr. Hill gave a short history of the property, including that it was used by his family during the second world war. Mr. Hill felt that his road was a better road than any others in the Township.

Mr. Hill advised that he had had the property boundaries established by GPS.

Reeve Holland asked Mr. Hill if all his questions had been answered by Council and Mr. Hill indicated that they had.

Reeve Holland thanked Mr. Hill for attending the meeting.

5. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**Resolution No. 2011-75**

**Moved by                   Councillor**  
**Seconded by            Councillor**

**THAT** the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on April 12, 2011 be approved as amended.

**CARRIED.**

Reeve Holland noted that his report should have read that he spoke with a member of NOSDA, not the Minister's office.

**Resolution No. 2011-76**

**Moved by                   Councillor MacMaster**  
**Seconded by            Councillor Rydholm**

**THAT** the Minutes of the Closed Meeting of Council held on April 12, 2011 be approved as amended.

**CARRIED.**

The date of the Minutes was changed to April 12, not February 8.

6. **REPORTS FROM MUNICIPAL OFFICERS**

6.1 Road Superintendent's Report – filed

Council discussed the bridge closure on Maxwell Road and requested that this information be included in the newsletter. As well, the Road Superintendent was requested to research using some milled asphalt on Township roads.

- Landfill Report – not at this meeting

6.2 Fire Chief's Report – not at this meeting

6.3 Clerk's Report

- Clerk's Report on Meeting with Doug Brown, Workplace Safety North

The Clerk advised that the items to be addressed in Mr. Brown's report will be brought to the attention of the Joint Health and Safety Committee at their next meeting.

6.4 Councillor Reports

Reeve Holland wished all Council members and Staff a Happy Easter, and expressed his condolences to Councillor Mary-Lynne Hunt on the recent passing of her Grandfather.

Reeve Holland advised Council that a meeting had been held with the members of the Highway Committee to update them on the steps that had been taken, including meeting with the Minister of Transportation, and gave them the news about the deferral of a decision until the fall. The

Committee felt that all actions that could be taken, have been taken and it is just a matter of waiting for the decision.

Reeve Holland advised he had spoken to Tim Hudak and brought up some of the Township concerns. He also spoke with Moe Commuzzi-Stehman, the P.C. candidate. He has attempted to contact the other Federal candidates but has not reached them as yet.

Reeve Holland requested Council approval to have a Township VISA to cover expenses when the Clerk is not present. Council approved this.

Councillor Arnold advised that the Joint Health and Safety Committee has had two meetings. Mr. Mike Vialoux has been appointed as the labour representative. At the second meeting, the Landfill attendant was present, and discussed her duties and safety issues at the landfill. Further meetings have been scheduled.

## **7. DISBURSEMENT LIST**

Disbursement List No 4B 2011

### **Resolution No. 2011- 77**

**Moved by                      Councillor Rydholm**  
**Seconded by                Councillor Arnold**

**THAT** the accounts in the amount of \$25,412.33 as per Disbursement List No. 4B 2011 be approved for payment.

**CARRIED.**

## **8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **8.1 LRCA Levy Request**

Councillor Arnold provided some insight into the LRCA budget. Council had questioned several items in their budget, including a high cost of flood forecasting. Councillor Arnold advised that there are 8 gauges that are monitored to provide flood forecasting, advisories and warnings. This data collection is important and it does receive grant monies for it. Councillor Arnold advised that public information services are mandated by the Province. The LRCA is involved with a Stewardship Program and tree seedling program. The land management portion is currently under review.

As Council had more questions, the Clerk was directed to request that the CAO of the LRCA be asked to attend a Council meeting.

### **8.2 Waste Recycling Plan**

Council requested that this be placed on the Landfill review.

### **8.3 Resolution Support Request – Township of Ignace**

#### **Resolution No. 2011-78**

**Moved by                      Councillor Arnold**  
**Seconded by                Councillor MacMaster**

**THAT** the Township of Conmee supports the resolution from the Township of Ignace regarding the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care funding formula for ambulance services (copy attached).

**DEFEATED.**

**Resolution No. 2011-79**

**Moved by                   Councillor Rydholm**  
**Seconded by           Councillor MacMaster**

**THAT** we extend this meeting past 9:30 pm.  
**CARRIED.**

8.4 Fur Trappers Association – Admin. Report #2011-08

Council declined to participate at this time.

**9.    NEW BUSINESS**

9.1 Letter from Township Resident re Road Conditions

Council discussed the letter from a Township resident regarding road conditions. Council directed the Road Superintendent to sign the “S” corner on Hunt Road with a reduced speed sign.

9.2 Resolution Support Request – Sioux Lookout – Wood Allocation

**Resolution No. 2011-80**

**Moved by                   Councillor Arnold**  
**Seconded by           Councillor MacMaster**

**THAT** the Township of Conmee supports the resolution from the Township of Sioux Lookout regarding wood allocations (copy attached).  
**CARRIED.**

9.3 AMO Conference

**Resolution No. 2011-81**

**Moved by                   Councillor Rydholm**  
**Seconded by           Councillor MacMaster**

**THAT** the following persons be approved to attend the 2011 AMO Annual Conference to be held in London on August 21-24, 2011:

Councillor Arnold  
Reeve Holland  
Clerk Maxwell

**CARRIED.**

9.4 Resolution Support Request – Oshawa – Schools as Voting Places

**Resolution No. 2011-82**

**Moved by                   Councillor Rydholm**  
**Seconded by           Councillor MacMaster**

**THAT** the Township of Conmee supports the resolution from the City of Oshawa regarding declaring voting day as a professional activity day for security reasons. (copy attached).

**DEFEATED**

9.5 Reeves Invitation to Confederation College Community Partner's Reception – filed

9.6 Resolution Support Request – Halton Region – Sharing HST Revenue

**Resolution No. 2011-83**

**Moved by Councillor Arnold**  
**Seconded by Councillor Rydholm**

**THAT** the Township of Conmee supports the resolution from the Region of Halton regarding sharing of the HST (copy attached).

**DEFEATED.**

9.7 Invitation to Confederation College Retirement Reception for President Patricia Lang – filed

9.8 Letter from Metis Nation re Duty to Consult – filed

9.9 By-law for Signing Officers – Requested by Bank

**Resolution No. 2011-84**

**Moved by Councillor Rydholm**  
**Seconded by Councillor Arnold**

**THAT** the Reeve and Clerk be authorized on behalf of the Township of Conmee to affix their signatures to By-law No. 989 being a by-law to authorize borrowing from time to time.

**CARRIED.**

9.10 Joint Health and Safety Committee Basic Certification

**Resolution No. 2011-85**

**Moved by Councillor MacMaster**  
**Seconded by Councillor Rydholm**

**THAT** the following persons be authorized to attend the Workplace Safety North training for Joint Health and Safety Committee certification:

Councillor Arnold  
Clerk Maxwell  
Road Superintendent Malinoski  
Grader Operator Vialoux

**CARRIED.**

**10. CORRESPONDENCE**

10.1 MNDMF – Update on Implementation of Growth Plan

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

**Resolution No. 2011-86**

**Moved by Councillor Rydholm**  
**Seconded by Councillor Arnold**

**THAT** we do now adjourn this meeting at 10.08 pm.

**CARRIED.**

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Reeve

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Clerk