

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
February 8, 2011

PRESENT: Reeve Kevin Holland
Councillor Mary-Lynne Hunt
Councillor Robert MacMaster
Councillor Robert Rydholm

ALSO PRESENT: Road Superintendent Ken Malinoski

ABSENT: Councillor Grant Arnold

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

2. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Resolution No. 2011-23

Moved by Councillor Hunt
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the Meeting Agenda be adopted as amended.
CARRIED.

The Agenda was amended by the addition of 9.8 – Building Inspector Training.

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**

The scheduled deputation did not attend the meeting.

5. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Resolution No. 2011-24

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on January 25, 2011 be approved as amended.
CARRIED.

Minutes were amended by changing thought to though in section 4.1

6. **REPORTS FROM MUNICIPAL OFFICERS**

6.1 Road Superintendent's Report

The Road Superintendent was asked to push banks back in certain areas to improve visibility.

- Landfill Report – filed

6.2 Fire Chief's Report – not at this meeting

6.3 Clerk's Report

The Clerk noted that the roof has been leaking in the office. This will need attention as soon as possible to avoid damage to official records in the area. The Clerk was asked to research possible grants for repairing the roof.

Clerk's Report on Attendance at DSSAB Draft Housing Strategy – filed
Clerk's Report on Draft Accessibility Standards – Communication, Transportation and Employment Standards - filed

6.4 Councillor Reports

Reeve Holland gave an overview of his activities including meetings with DSSAB for the draft housing strategy, Planning Board and LRCA new building information. Reeve Holland noted that the meeting scheduled with Mr. Mauro to update him on the highway issue was cancelled by Mr. Mauro as something more important came up.

Reeve Holland spoke briefly about the direction he feels Council should be taking regarding funding of outside agencies.

Reeve Holland requested that Council approve of the Clerk being recording secretary for the Highway Committee.

Reeve Holland noted that Thunder Bay City Mayor Keith Hobbs had requested a meeting with the area Reeves and Mayors.

Councillor MacMaster noted he had designed an excel expense form to be used for Councillor expenses. He also noted that he is still researching ROMA but it appears that it is closely connected to AMO.

7. **DISBURSEMENT LIST**

Disbursement List No 2A- 2011

Resolution No. 2011-25

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Hunt

THAT the accounts in the amount of \$50,722.84 as per Disbursement List No. 2A 2011 be approved for payment.

CARRIED.

8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

8.1 Solar Logix – deferred

8.2 KGS Report on Engineering Costs re Maxwell Road Bridge

Resolution No. 2011-26

Moved by Councillor Hunt
Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

THAT the Council for the Township of Conmee accepts the proposal from KGS Group to prepare drawings and specifications for repair of the Maxwell Road bridge, as well as reviewing farm equipment for possible use on the bridge before repair, in the amount of \$10,860.00 plus HST.

CARRIED.

8.3 ATV By-law and Snowmachines – Admin. Report #04

Council directed the Clerk to bring a by-law to allow ATV's on Township roads to the next meeting. The Clerk also read an email from a neighbouring Township regarding setting up a snowmachine trail. Council was not interested in being part of a Committee at this time.

8.4 OGRA/ROMA Conference

Resolution No. 2011-27

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the following persons be approved to attend the OGRA/ROMA conference to be held February 28, March 1 and 2 in Toronto:

Reeve Holland
Clerk Maxwell
Road Superintendent Malinoski

CARRIED.

Councillor MacMaster requested that the Road Superintendent question suppliers and other conference attendees to see if there is any online access to road building and maintenance information specific to Ontario.

8.5 Bids for Surplus Furnaces

Resolution No. 2011-28

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Hunt

THAT we accept the bid from Andy Barber in the amount of \$350.00 for the surplus furnaces.

CARRIED.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 MNR – Forest Fire Management Agreement Review – filed

9.2 EMO Annual Meeting Agenda - filed

9.3 Letter from EcoSuperior re Burning Garbage

Council did not want to pass a by-law at this time.

9.4 Hydro One Emergency Preparedness Fact Sheet – filed

9.5 Hymers Agricultural Society – Advertising

Resolution No. 2011-29

Moved by Councillor Hunt
Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

THAT the Council for the Township of Conmee approves of the purchase of an ad in the Hymers Agricultural Society Fall Fair Prize Book in the amount of \$55.00 for the 2011 fair.

CARRIED.

9.6 NOMA Annual General Meeting

Resolution No. 2011-30

THAT the following persons be approved to attend the NOMA Annual General Meeting to be held April 28th and 29th, 2011 at the Best Western Nor'Wester Hotel:

Councillor Hunt
Councillor MacMaster
Councillor Rydholm
Reeve Holland
Clerk Maxwell

CARRIED.

9.7 Resolution Support Request from Shuniah re Grid-Lock

Resolution No. 2011 – 31

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor Hunt

THAT the Council for the Township of Conmee supports the resolution from the Municipality of Shuniah regarding Code Gridlock at the Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre.

CARRIED.

9.8 Building Inspector Training

Resolution No. 2011-32

Moved by Councillor Hunt
Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

THAT the Township of Conmee will provide their share of the training costs for the Building Inspector as per the attached information.

CARRIED.

Closed Session to discuss Information about an Identifiable Individual

Resolution No. 2011-33

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT we do now adjourn to a Closed Session to discuss

- a) Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;
- b) Litigation or potential litigation including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board

At 9:24 pm.

CARRIED.

Council held an informational session on a matter which may be potential litigation.

Resolution No. 2011-34

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Hunt

THAT we do now adjourn the Closed Session and return to the Open Meeting at 9:40 pm.

CARRIED.

The Clerk was directed to discuss this matter with the Township Solicitor.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

- 10.1 Revised OPP Salaries - filed
- 10.2 NOMA Presentation to Standing Committee on Finance re OMPF - filed
- 10.3 ENL – Small Waterworks Assistance Program - filed
- 10.4 DSSAB Board of Directors – filed
- 10.5 board of Health Minutes – November 18, 2010
- 10.6 DSSAB Minutes – November 16, 2010
- 10.7 LRCA Source Protection Committee Minutes – January 5, 2011

11. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 2011-35

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor Hunt

THAT we do now adjourn this meeting at 9:58 pm.

CARRIED.

Reeve

Clerk