

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
April 28, 2015

PRESENT: Mayor Kevin Holland
Councillor Grant Arnold
Councillor Robert MacMaster
Councillor S. Maxwell
Councillor Cathy Woodbeck

ALSO PRESENT: Laura Bruni, Treasurer, Ken Malinoski, Road Superintendent,
Les Wing, Nik Fiorito

ABSENT:

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

2. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Resolution No. 2015- 96

Moved by Councillor Woodbeck
Seconded by Councillor Maxwell

THAT the Meeting Agenda be adopted as amended.
CARRIED.

The Agenda was amended by the addition of 7.2 Disbursement List No. 4BB 2015, the addition of 8.5 Resolution re Payment of Grant to Oliver Paipoonge, and 9.7 Agreement with Tbaytel re Hotspot.

3. **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Mayor Holland declared an interest in item 7.2.

4. **DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS**

Mr. Wing and Mr. Fiorito attended the Council meeting to discuss a proposed Class B pit on Holland Road just west of Maxwell. Mr. Wing presented a drawing of their proposal. It was noted that the current set-back requirements for extractive uses would limit the area that could be excavated. After some discussion, Mr. Wing and Mr. Fiorito advised Council that it did not appear to be a viable option and they would not be moving forward with the request for re-zoning.

5. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

5.1 **Resolution No. 2015 - 97**

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Arnold

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on April 14, 2015 be approved as circulated.
CARRIED.

5.2 **Resolution No. 2015 – 98**

Moved by Councillor Woodbeck
Seconded by Councillor Maxwell

THAT the Minutes of the Closed Meeting of Council held on April 14, 2015 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED.

5.3 Resolution No. 2015 – 99

Moved by Councillor Arnold
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the Minutes of the Public Meeting of Council held on April 14, 2015 be approved as amended.

CARRIED.

The Minutes were amended by correcting an instance of pm to am and adding am to another area under 4.1.

6. REPORTS FROM MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

- 6.1 Road Superintendent's Report -filed
 - Landfill Reports – not at this meeting
 - Generator Report – it was noted that the semi-annual inspection is overdue. The Clerk will contact the company.
- 6.2 Fire Chief's Report – not at this meeting
- 6.3 Clerk's Report –
 - Clerk's Report on Attendance at CIF/AMO Outreach Session – field
 - Clerk's Report on Attendance at MTO Consultation on Default Speed Limit – filed
- 6.4 Treasurer's Reports

Resolution No. 2015 – 100

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Arnold

THAT the Treasurer has authorization to increase the Social Committee float by the amount of \$100.00, and;

THAT the Treasurer has authorization to establish a second float for various committee functions in the amount of \$200.00.

CARRIED.

The Treasurer provided information to Council on the Fire Department T4's, and an update on the e-library. The purchase of new computers for the e-library will not be eligible under the Federal Gas Tax rules.

- Proposal to Add Provincial Offenses Fine to Tax Bills – Council did not approve of the use of the property tax system to collect the outstanding Provincial offences fines.

6.5 Councillor Reports

Councillor Maxwell reported on the activities of the Social Committee including the operation of the concession at the Vendor's Fair on April 25th. Although the proceeds were dedicated to the skatepark, there was no profit made. The event did break even. Councillor Maxwell noted that the Township must make an effort to fix the griddle in the kitchen stove as it is required for many of the events. Councillor Maxwell also noted that she attended the OPP meeting in O'Connor.

Councillor Arnold reported that he attended the OPP meeting in O'Connor and had an up-coming LRCA meeting. Councillor Arnold also attended part

of the NOMA Annual Meeting as well as the medal presentation to former Reeve of Shuniah, Maria Harding.

Councillor MacMaster presented a report on his attendance at the TB District Health Unit Board of Health meeting. The Clerk requested clarification on when the Enforcement Unit will attend a hoarding complaint. Councillor MacMaster showed Council a proposed layout for the new e-library.

Mayor Holland reported on his activities since the last meeting including a meeting with True Grit and an upcoming skatepark meeting. He noted he has talked to some potential donors for the skatepark and that Chris Fiorito has been successful in obtaining a barbeque for a Father's Day raffle. Mayor Holland attended the NOMA Annual Meeting, the OPP meeting and the medal dedication to Maria Harding. Mayor Holland noted that he has been in discussions with neighbouring communities regarding regional development.

6.6 Other Board and Agency Report – not at this meeting

7. **DISBURSEMENT LIST**

7.1 Disbursement List No 4B 2015

Resolution No. 2015 - 101

Moved by **Councillor Maxwell**
Seconded by **Councillor Arnold**

THAT the accounts in the amount of \$81,511.98 as per Disbursement List No. 4B 2015 be approved for payment.

CARRIED.

7.2 Disbursement List No. 4BB 2015

Resolution No 2015 – 102

Moved by **Councillor Woodbeck**
Seconded by **Councillor MacMaster**

THAT the Accounts in the amount of \$797.79 as per Disbursement List No. 4BB 2015 be approved for payment.

CARRIED.

Mayor Holland declared a conflict and left the room.

8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

8.1 Response from Ministry re Library

The letter of response from Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport regarding dissolving the library was discussed by Council. The Clerk was directed to respond requesting clarification of the rule for a 2 year wait. In the meantime as the Act requires a library board to be inactive for 2 years, the library books will be stored until such time as the Ministry allows the library to be dissolved. Council will continue to move forward with plans for broadband access in the space.

8.2 Proposal for Amendment to Increase Capacity at Landfill

Resolution No. 2015 – 103

Moved by Councillor Maxwell
Seconded by Councillor Woodbeck

THAT the Council for the Township of Conmee accepts the proposal from True Grit for the amendment to the Environmental Compliance Approval to increase the volume capacity at the Conmee Landfill site in the amount of \$23,900.00 including HST.

CARRIED.

8.3 Response from MOE re Application for Collection of E-Waste

Council directed the Clerk to find out what the MOE study would entail for the price they want to charge. Council also directed the Clerk to see if this application could be added to the other application.

8.4 By-law No. 1074 re Fees and Charges

Resolution No. 2015 – 104

Moved by Councillor Maxwell
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to affix their signatures to By-law No. 1074 being a by-law to establish the fees and charges.

CARRIED.

8.5 Resolution Re Payment of Grant to Oliver Paipoonge

Resolution No. 2015 – 105

Moved by Councillor Maxwell
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the Treasurer be authorized to pay the fee in the amount of \$1,225.00 to the Municipality of Oliver Paipoonge for the provision of library services to the Conmee ratepayers;

AND THAT Resolution #2015-85 is hereby amended by this resolution.

CARRIED.

The Clerk advised that the wrong amount had been put into the last resolution.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 TB Health Unit – Resolution Support re First Nations Evacuations

Resolution No. 2015 – 106

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Arnold

THAT the Council for the Township of Conmee supports the resolution from the Thunder Bay District Health Unit Board of Health regarding community evacuation resources for Northwestern Ontario (copy attached).

CARRIED.

9.2 Letter from CN re Hazardous Transportation – file

- 9.3 Letter from Thunder Bay Public Library re Membership – filed
- 9.4 Letter from OPP re Citizen Self Reporting System
- 9.5 AMO – Resolution Support re Producer Responsibility in Recycling

Resolution No. 2015 – 107

Moved by **Councillor Maxwell**
Seconded by **Councillor Arnold**

Whereas municipalities have no control over the form of municipal solid waste that is generated from packing and products that enter their jurisdiction;

And Whereas municipal taxpayers bear more than 50% of the cost of waste disposal and recycling of packaging and printed paper in the waste stream, which products are increasingly complex, multi-material and expensive to recycle, reclaim or dispose of;

And Whereas the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change has committed to replacing the current waste diversion legislation, but has not yet introduced replacement legislation to the legislature;

And Whereas producer responsibility provides that producers be responsible for 100% of the costs of certain designated wastes for full cost –f end-of-life management for such products and packaging;

And Whereas municipalities should not have to bear the cost of managing the disposal of these materials;

And Whereas producer responsibility would provide considerable savings to Conmee residents and grow the local economy as producers innovate to reduce waste, develop more easily recyclable packaging and work with municipalities on better ways to collect and process it;

And Whereas increased recycling and reclamation could add 13,000 good, high-quality jobs in Ontario and contribute more than \$1.5 billion every year to Ontario's economy;

Now Therefore Be it Resolved That the Township of Conmee calls on the Ontario Government to introduce legislation to replace the Waste Diversion Act with a system based on full Producer Responsibility, ensuring that producers are responsible for 100% of the end-of-life costs of designated waste and that producers need to work with the municipal sector on these Producer Responsibility programs that affect the municipal integrated waste management system so that municipalities are fairly compensated for services provided to manage designated waste that enters the municipal system.

DEFEATED.

- 9.6 Letter from Lisa Thompson MPP re Bill 66 – filed
- 9.7 Agreement with Tbaytel re Hotspot

Resolution No. 2015 – 108

Moved by **Councillor MacMaster**
Seconded by **Councillor Woodbeck**

THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized on behalf of the Township of Conmee to affix their signatures to By-law No. 1075 being a by-law to enter into an Agreement with Tbaytel to provide WiFi access. (Agreement attached).

CARRIED.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

None at this meeting

11. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 2015 - 109

Moved by Councillor Woodbeck
Seconded by Councillor Maxwell

THAT we do now adjourn this meeting at 9:30 pm.

CARRIED.

Mayor

Clerk