

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
August 11, 2015

PRESENT: Mayor Kevin Holland
Councillor Robert MacMaster
Councillor S. Maxwell

ALSO PRESENT: Laura Bruni, Treasurer, Lynda Lex, Deputy Treasurer Suzanne Huot, Resident

ABSENT: Councillor Grant Arnold, Councillor Cathy Woodbeck

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

2. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Resolution No. 2015- 146

Moved by Councillor Maxwell
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the Meeting Agenda be adopted as prepared.
CARRIED.

3. **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Mayor Holland declared a conflict with Items 7.1 and 7.2.

4. **DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS**

Mrs. Huot attended Council to discuss the gate across Fleming Road. She noted that they had been using Fleming Road to access their property in Marks Township for many years but were being denied access now that the gate was up. Mrs. Huot asked why the gate was put up. Since no member of Council was sitting in 2007, Mayor Holland requested the Clerk to provide some background on the issue.

Mrs. Maxwell noted that the previous Council had originally considered options for the removal of the gate, however based on the property owner's statements at the Council meeting of January 1, 2009 that they were letting people through the gate, the property owner's solicitor's letter dated September 24, 2008 stating that they were letting people through the gate,

and the cost to survey the road allowance, Council decided not to proceed. Mrs. Maxwell noted that in all the preceding years there had been no complaint from persons wishing to access the lands beyond the gate, and in fact Mrs. Maxwell had personal knowledge of people who were allowed through.

Mrs. Huot stated that they had gone through when the gate was open but did not return until the gate was closed. A late working employee let them through but threatened them with trespass. Mrs. Huot noted that they had retained a solicitor from Ottawa on this matter.

Mayor Holland noted that the Road Access Act may be the appropriate response for the Huots and that they would need to consult their solicitor on the matter. Mayor Holland thanked Mrs. Huot for attending and asked that she keep Council informed.

At this time Mayor Holland welcomed Lynda Lex and introduced her to the Council members.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

5.1 Resolution No. 2015 - 147

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Maxwell

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on June 23, 2015 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED.

6. REPORTS FROM MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

- 6.1 Road Superintendent's Report – Not at this meeting
 - Landfill Reports – Not at this meeting
- 6.2 Fire Chief's Report – Not at this meeting
- 6.3 Clerk's Report – filed
- 6.4 Treasurer's Report
 - ODRAP Audit

Resolution No. 2015 – 148

Moved by Councilor Maxwell
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the Council for the Township of Conmee accepts the Audit for the Ontario Disaster Relief Assistance Program as presented by Grant Thornton.

CARRIED.

6.5 Councillor Reports

Mayor Holland reported on his activities since the last meeting including attending a Building Ontario meeting, a meeting with Forme Architecture regarding the food bank and a conversation with True Grit regarding the Rydholm project. Mayor Holland also noted he had had a conference call with the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sports.

Councillor Maxwell reported on the Teddy Bear Picnic which was successful.

Councillor MacMaster noted the Board of Health is still on summer recess and offered his congratulations to those involved in repurposing the former library space. He noted he will be in to complete the set-up of the computers.

6.6 Other Board and Agency Reports

- TBDML – Minutes – July 11, 2015 – filed
- TBDSSAB – Minutes – June 25, 2015 – filed
- LRMC – Minutes – May 14, 2015 – filed
- LRMC – Minutes – June 1, 2015

7. DISBURSEMENT LIST

7.1 Disbursement List No 8A 2015

Resolution No. 2015 - 149

Moved by Councillor Maxwell
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the accounts in the amount of \$113,434.67 as per Disbursement List No. 8A 2015 be approved for payment.

CARRIED.

Mayor Holland declared a conflict and left the room.

7.2 Disbursement List No. 8AA 2015

Resolution No. 2015 – 150

Moved by Councillor Maxwell
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the Accounts in the amount of \$1,398.81 as per Disbursement List No. 8AA 2015 be approved for payment.

CARRIED.

Mayor Holland declared a conflict and let the room.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no new business for Council's consideration.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 By-law no. 1080 – Employment for L. Lex

Resolution No. 2015 – 151

Moved by Councillor Maxwell
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized on behalf of the Township of Conmee to affix their signatures to By-law No. 1080 being a By-law to establish the terms of employment for Lynda Lex.

CARRIED.

9.2 Resolution re Liquor Permit

Resolution No. 2015 – 152

Moved by Councillor Maxwell
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the Halloween Dance to be held on October 31st, 2015 is of municipal significance to the Township of Conmee.

CARRIED.

9.3 Invitation to O'Connor Day – filed

9.4 EMO Quarterly Report – filed

9.5 Request from NOMA re Health and Safety – filed

9.6 Letter from R. Pettapiece MPP Perth Wellington re Fairness in Infrastructure Funding – filed

9.7 NOMA Conference Registration

Resolution No. 2015 – 153

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Maxwell

THAT the following persons be authorized to attend the NOMA Conference to be held in Thunder Bay on September 23, 24, and 25th, 2015:

Councillor MacMaster
Councillor Maxwell
Mayor Holland
Clerk Maxwell

CARRIED.

9.8 Cultural Heritage Invitation - filed

10. CORRESPONDENCE

- 10.1 Update on Dam Compensation
- 10.2 Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services
 - Report on Crime Prevention in Ontario
 - Community Safety and Well-Being in Ontario
- 10.3 Report from Special Investigations Unit
- 10.4 Response from Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services re Meeting at OGRA/ROMA
- 10.5 AMO Communications
- 10.6 AMO Communications
- 10.7 TBDSSAB 2014 Annual Report

11. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 2015 - 154

Moved by Councillor Maxwell
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT we do now adjourn this meeting at 8:48 pm.

CARRIED.

Mayor

Clerk