

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
December 11, 2012

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

ALSO PRESENT: Dale Smyk, Red Cross, Ken Malinoski, Road Superintendent
ABSENT:

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

2. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Resolution No. 2012- 243

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor Arnold

THAT the Meeting Agenda be adopted as amended.
CARRIED.

The Agenda was amended by the addition of 8.7 Snow Plow Truck, 8.8 Resolution re Liquor Permit and 9.8 Policy re Hanging Posters.

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. Dale Smyk, Disaster Management Coordinator for the Red Cross attended Council to discuss the Township entering into a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the Red Cross for assistance during disasters.

Mr. Smyk noted that the Red Cross provides two levels of service under the MOU's. The first is personal disaster assistance (PDA), which assists families or groups less than 25 persons for a period of 72 hours after a disaster. They provide emergency clothing, food, lodging, personal services, family reunification, reception and information. The cost to the Township would be \$300.00 annually to train local volunteers, plus a one time \$250.00 fee to purchase response bags. This cost could be managed through the Township purchasing department. There is no cost to the Township for the services such as lodging. The Red Cross does local fund raising to cover these expenditures.

The second service is for a large scale disaster response program. This program is delivered when more than 25 people are impacted. The same services are delivered, usually for longer than 72 hours. The cost is recovered from the Township, plus a 10% administration fee. Expenses include volunteer travel costs, accommodations, Red Cross support costs and social services delivery costs.

Under the MOE, the Red Cross will do a shelter evaluation to identify emergency shelters under the Health Canada shelter guidelines.

The Red Cross also provides emergency preparedness seminars to community groups, employees or residents for no charge.

Council needs to address what level of response assistance that the Township wishes to receive based on the identified needs. Council also would identify volunteers. It was also recommended that the Township develop a tripartite MOU with the Salvation Army and the Red Cross to ensure there is no overlapping or duplication of services.

The Reeve thanked Mr. Smyk for his presentation and advised Council would discuss it further and the Clerk would contact him.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

5.1 Resolution No. 2012-244

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

THAT the Minutes of the Public Meeting of Council held on November 27, 2012 be approved as amended.

CARRIED.

Council requested that under 4.2, the words “two man response” be changed to “two officer response”.

5.2 Resolution No. 2012 – 245

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor Hunt

THAT the Minutes of the Closed Meeting of Council held on November 27, 2012 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

6. REPORTS FROM MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

6.1 Road Superintendent’s Report – filed
- Landfill Report - filed

6.2 Fire Chief’s Report – filed

6.3 Clerk’s Report - filed

6.4 Councillor Reports

Reeve Holland reported on his activities since the last meeting. He reported on the Shared Services meeting with the joint fire departments. A complete presentation was included in the Council packages. Reeve Holland also reported on his ongoing work with Korkala Design on the new corporate image, his DSSAB meetings including the Political Action committee and a Highway Committee meeting. The Highway Committee would like to submit a comment to MTO stating that we are in favour of the route. The Committee would also like letters to go to several people impacted including the mineral exploration company. Reeve Holland noted that there is a 100th Anniversary Committee meeting scheduled for December 13, 2012.

Councillor Arnold reported that the LRCA will be holding their December meeting with a social afterwards. Councillor Arnold noted that he had been approached to consider keeping Mokomon Road closed as a walking trail.

He also noted that he will be attending the Fire Department Christmas Dinner and that a presentation will be made to Terry Baxter, Deputy Chief for his long service and his retirement.

Councillor Hunt noted that the New Year's Eve event planning is on-going.

Councillor MacMaster reported on a meeting with the Clerk to review the infrastructure funding applications and his attendance at the Highway Committee.

Councillor Rydholm noted he was unable to attend the last library board meeting but that he was surprised to see the resolution in the library minutes regarding the library sign. Council discussed this resolution and noted that the sign was taken down to accommodate the new sign board and when there were no events the library information was put on the sign.

6.5 Committee Reports

- Area 1 Heads of Council – Minutes – November 22, 2012 - filed
- Conmee Public Library Board – Minutes – November 6, 2012 - filed
- Shared Services Committee – Presentation to Fire Teams – filed
- Area 1 Submission re Provincial Policy Statement Review

6.6 Flood Update

- True Grit – Budget Update

Council noted that Brule Creek had been misspelled.

7. **DISBURSEMENT LIST**

Disbursement List No 12A 2012

Resolution No. 2012- 246

Moved by Councillor Hunt
Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

THAT the Accounts in the amount of \$38,687.50 as per Disbursement List No. 12A 2012 be approved for payment.

CARRIED.

8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

8.1 By-law No. 1011 – Garden Suite Extension By-law

Resolution No. 2012 – 247

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Hunt

THAT the Reeve and Clerk be authorized on behalf of the Township of Conmee to affix their signature to By-law No. 1011, being a by-law to extend a Garden Suite Agreement.

CARRIED.

8.2 By-law No. 1012 – Appointments to 100th Anniversary Committee

Resolution No. 2012 – 248

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. 1012, being a by-law to appoint members to the 100th Anniversary Committee.

CARRIED.

8.3 Registration on Title re Old Landfill – Admin. Report #2012 – 24

The Clerk advised that the registration of the old landfill site could be restricted to the active landfill area, however a survey would need to be obtained. Based on the cost of the survey Council directed the Clerk to register the entire property. There is the ability to remove the non-active areas at a later date if Council wishes.

8.4 Employee RRSP's – Admin. Report No. 2012 – 25 – filed

8.5 Projects Eligible for MIII Funding

Council discussed the "Expression of Interest" application from the Province regarding infrastructure funding. As the Asset Management Plan has not been completed, and the assets have not been prioritized, Council decided to defer a decision on what needs critical repairs until the Plan is finalized. It was also noted that the funding received under the CIIF application will cover the generator which has been identified as a priority. The CIIF will also require a Township contribution and it would be difficult to find our share of the MIII funding as well.

8.6 Approval of CIIF Funding Projects

The Clerk provided information on the approval of the two CIIF applications. The Clerk asked for direction, since the Province has divided the funding into two years, 2012/2013 and 2013/2014. It was noted that the funding provided for the 2012 to 2013 years would need to be expended by April 1, 2013 and cannot be carried over. The Clerk was directed to apply for the funding for the 2013/2014 years to ensure that the money is available.

8.7 Snow Plow Truck – deferred

8.8 Resolution Re Liquor Permit

Resolution No. 2012 – 249

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor Arnold

THAT THE Council for the Township of Conmee authorizes Councillor Mary-Lynne Hunt to obtain a liquor permit in the name of the Corporation of the Township of Conmee for the New Year's Event on December 31, 2012.

CARRIED.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 North West Response Forum

Resolution No. 2012 – 250

Moved by Councillor Hunt
Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

THAT the following persons be approved to attend the Northwest Response Forum to be held in Dryden on April 9 to 11, 2013

Reeve Holland
Clerk Maxwell

CARRIED.

9.2 Environment Canada – Fines – filed

9.3 MPAC – Update – filed

9.4 NOMA – Resolution Support Request – Increased Decision Making in Northern Ontario

Resolution No. 2012 – 251

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

THAT the Council for the Township of Conmee supports the resolution from the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) regarding regional decision making in the areas of natural resources, energy, infrastructure and land use planning;

AND THAT this support be forwarded to NOMA, and all leaders and candidates for leadership of the three Provincial political parties.

CARRIED.

9.5 ReCool - Increase in Rates – filed

9.6 Letter from Chiarelli re Director of MMAH in Thunder Bay – filed

9.7 Attendance at Public Information Officer Training

Resolution No. 2012 – 253

Moved by Councillor Arnold
Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

THAT the following persons be approved to attend the Public Information Officer Training to be held in January in Oliver Paipoonge:

Reeve Holland
Clerk Maxwell
Councillor Hunt

CARRIED.

9.8 Policy Re Hanging Posters

Resolution No. 2012 – 253

Moved by Councillor Hunt
Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

THAT Council approves of Policy No. 43, being a Policy to prohibit the use of nails, pins and tape to attach articles to the drywall in the Community Centre.

CARRIED.

Resolution No. 2012 – 254

Moved by Councillor Arnold
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT we extend this meeting time past 9:30 pm.

CARRIED.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

10.1 AMO Watch File – filed

10.2 AMO Board Meeting Highlights – filed

10.3 MNR – Decommissioning of Camp 43 and Lamprey Barrier – Black Sturgeon River - filed

10.4 DSSAB – Minutes – Regular Meeting – Oct. 18, 2012 – filed

10.5 DSSAB – Minutes – Closed Meeting – Oct. 18, 2012 – filed

11. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 2012-255

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor Hunt

THAT we do now adjourn this meeting at 9:43 pm.
CARRIED.

Reeve

Clerk