

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
February 14, 2012

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

ALSO PRESENT: Sean and Katarine Kohanski, Property Owners, Ian Bodnar on behalf of Techno Logic Timber, Aime Spencer, Fire Chief, 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- 26

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

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 Sean and Katerina Kohanski

Mr. and Mrs. Kohanski attended the Council meeting to request permission to establish an accessory use (garage/monitor barn) on their property on a part of Lot 2, Concession 3, before the main residential use. The garage/monitor barn will be used to store building materials for the main dwelling.

Council agreed that the Kohanski's could enter into an agreement with the Township to build the garage/monitor barn with their signature that this structure will not be used for human habitation.

4.2 Ian Bodnar

Although Mr. Bodnar's issue was on the Agenda under 9.7, Council agreed to move the item up on the Agenda.

Mr. Bodnar attended the meeting on behalf of Techno Logic Timber Ltd. who wishes to haul chips and hog fuel from a portion of Lot 3, Concession 8, using Wolfe Road and Wiljala Drive. Council agreed to this haul subject to a number of conditions being met.

5. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Resolution No. 2012-27

Moved by Councillor Hunt
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the Minutes of the Public Meeting of Council held on January 24, 2012 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED.

6. **REPORTS FROM MUNICIPAL OFFICERS**

6.1 Road Superintendent's Report

The Road Superintendent advised that the mezzanine has been inspected by the Building Inspector and she recommends some work be done to make it safer. Council has requested that the Building Inspector provide further information, including a diagram.

Mr. Malinoski requested permission to send the part time grader operator to snow plow school as he has not been certified on equipment operations.

It was noted that the wiring to the pumps on the fuel tanks need to be replaced.

- Landfill Report - filed

6.2 Fire Chief's Report

The Fire Chief attended the meeting to discuss the issue regarding the paging system for the area fire departments. Due to the Ministry of Health withdrawing from paging out fire departments we will be required to provide our own paging system or contract with another provider. The Zone 1 organization is spearheading this issue. The Fire Chief will continue to provide updates as they become available.

6.3 Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported on her attendance at the NOMA Board meeting held on January 25, 2012, including issues such as physician recruitment, NOMA and Thunder Bay District Municipal League levy, EMS and policing issues and topics for the annual general meeting.

6.4 Councillor Reports

Reeve Holland reported on his activities since the last meeting of Council, including Health Fair meetings, Planning Board, DSSAB meeting with Bill Mauro, MPP, Highway Committee, and the upgrades to the office. Reeve Holland noted that the DSSAB board intends to pass the budget at the meeting on February 16th, but as he received his package late, he will ask for a deferral to the next meeting. The resolution regarding our request for a change in representation will also be presented at the meeting. Reeve Holland noted that there is significant work to be done yet on presentations to the Minister of Community and Social Affairs and the Minister of Transportation.

Councillor Arnold advised that he had met with the Roads Department and completed a health and safety inspection of the garage and outbuildings. Councillor Arnold advised that Bill Bartley has been re-elected Chair of the LRCA with Councillor Donna Blunt from Shuniah as Vice-Chair.

Councillor Hunt noted that she had initiated contact with Barb Ashby regarding First Aid training and will continue to work towards opening the training to local residents and businesses. Councillor Hunt also advised that the Recreation Committee has some dates and activities planned including an Easter Breakfast, Mother's Day Tea, yard sales and Halloween and Christmas parties.

Councillor Rydholm advised that the Library Board will be running a March Break program this year.

6.5 Committee Reports

The Clerk presented the findings of the Joint Health and Safety Committee inspection of the community centre. It was noted that some items on the report were not necessarily health and safety related and the Clerk was requested to develop a second reporting form that could be carried on such inspections to record these items.

Other items may be dealt with by the implementation of a policy rather than the acquisition of equipment. Council requested that options on the issues be presented at the next council meeting.

One issue presented was the landfill hours, because it is dark during the winter months and this could pose a safety hazard at the landfill. Council agree that the Wednesday winter hours would be changed in the fall of 2012 from 3 to 6 pm to 2 to 5 pm.

Resolution No. 2012-28

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor Arnold

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

7. **DISBURSEMENT LIST**

Disbursement List No 2A 2012

Resolution No. 2012- 29

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Hunt

THAT the Accounts in the amount of \$21,072.83 as per Disbursement List No. 2A 2012 be approved for payment.
CARRIED.

8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

8.1 By-law No. 996 – Joint Health and Safety Committee

Resolution No. 2012 – 30

Moved by Councillor Arnold
Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

THAT the Reeve and Clerk be authorized to affix their signatures to By-law No. 996, being a by-law to establish a Joint Health and Safety Committee.

CARRIED.

8.2 Mayor's Prayer Breakfast

Reeve Holland is not able to attend this event.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Municipal Forest Fire management Agreement – deferred

9.2 Diabetes Fundraiser – filed

9.3 By-law No. 998 – Appoint to Library Board

Resolution No. 2012-31

Moved by Councillor Arnold
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the Reeve and Clerk be authorized on behalf of the Township of Conmee to affix their signatures to By-law No. 998, being a by-law to appoint a volunteer Library Board Member.

CARRIED.

9.4 Invitation to Meeting re SNEMS

No member of Council is able to attend this meeting.

9.5 TBDML – Spring Conference

Resolution No. 2012 – 32

Moved by Councillor Hunt
Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

THAT the following persons be approved to attend the Thunder Bay Municipal League Meeting to be held in Terrace Bay on March 2nd and 3rd, 2012:

Councillor R. Rydholm
Clerk Maxwell

CARRIED.

9.6 LRPB – Consent to Sever

Resolution No. 2012 – 33

Moved by Councillor Arnold
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT Council approves of the 2 Consent to Sever applications numbered 1B/02/12 and 1B/03/12.

CARRIED.

9.7 Haul Request – Admin. Report #2012 – 01

This issue was dealt with under Deputations as Mr. Bodnar was in attendance.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

- 10.1 Ontario Wildlife Compensation Program
- 10.2 TBDML – Minutes – January 14, 2012
- 10.3 Ombudsman re Closed Meeting Investigators
- 10.4 Weiler Maloney Nelson – In-house Counsel
- 10.5 LRCA – Minutes – December 14, 2011
- 10.6 TBDSSAB – New Chair for 2012
- 10.7 TBDSSAB – Minutes – November 17, 2011- Closed
- 10.8 TBDSSAB – Minutes – November 17, 2011 - Regular
- 10.9 TBDSSAB – Minutes – December 8, 2011 - Special
- 10.10 DSSAB – Minutes – December 8, 2011 – Closed
- 10.11 Ontario Power Generation – Neighbours Newsletter
- 10.12 Conmee Library Board – Minutes – January 3, 2012

11. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 2012-34

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor Arnold

THAT we do now adjourn this meeting at 10:16 pm.
CARRIED.

Reeve

Clerk