

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

January 22, 2013

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

ALSO PRESENT: 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. 2013-

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor Hunt

THAT the Meeting Agenda be adopted as amended.
CARRIED.

The Agenda was amended by the addition of 8.6 Volunteer Pins, 9.8 Incident Management System, and a Closed Session to discuss personal matters about an identifiable individual.

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**

There were no depositions or petitions for Councils consideration

5. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Resolution No. 2013-

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on January 8, 2013 be approved as circulated.
CARRIED.

6. **REPORTS FROM MUNICIPAL OFFICERS**

6.1 Road Superintendent's Report - filed

6.2 Fire Chief's Report

Chief Spencer attended the meeting to give Council a report on his meeting with a local fireworks supplier. Chief Spencer will take the lead if

Council decides that they wish to have fireworks at the July 1st Family Picnic in celebration of our 100th Anniversary. Council must decide where the event will be held and what the budget will be. The fireworks company will include extra fireworks depending on the amount spent.

Councillor MacMaster noted that if we use the old landfill the regulatory agency for airspace will need to be notified because of the close proximity of the Kakabeka Flying Club.

Chief Spencer advised that the transition to a new Deputy Chief has gone well.

Chief Spencer also provided an update on the pager issue and advised that the pagers have been purchased. Council discussed having a radio available for the Emergency Operations Centre. Chief Spencer was authorized to purchase the radio.

Chief Spencer spoke to item 8.5 – Ministry of Health agreement – Joint Steering Committee. This agreement and Committee are designed to avoid having Ministry representatives attending each Council on every issue, although they will attend if requested by an individual Council. The representative from Conmee to the Mutual Aid Committee will sit on the Joint Steering Committee.

Chief Spencer also requested approval from Council to move forward with research on a new fire vehicle. Chief Spencer was requested to bring some specifications to Council for review.

6.3 Clerk's Report – filed

6.4 Councillor Reports

Reeve Holland reported on his activities since the last meeting including a DSSAB Political Action Committee meeting, EOC training in Oliver Paipoonge, an OFM review meeting and the 100th Anniversary Committee. Reeve Holland noted that he and Lori Holland have spent some time reorganizing the kitchen, bar and table room and will be bringing a list of necessary supplies to Council. He has also asked a contractor for a quote to build the needed shelving.

Reeve Holland noted he has continued to liaise with Korkala Design and that the website is now up and live.

Councillor MacMaster requested that Council consider involving the Health and Safety Committee in plans for reorganization or renovations.

Councillor Rydholm advised that the Thunder Bay District Municipal League meetings has been cancelled due to the weather.

Councillor Arnold asked if anyone had attended the Announcement to be made by Michael Gravelle, MPP and Bill Mauro MPP regarding Northern Highways. Councillor Arnold was advised that the announcement was regarding the Thunder Bay Expressway. Councillor Arnold requested that a letter be sent to the MPP offices requesting earlier notification of these announcements. Councillor Arnold reported on his attendance at the LRCA and that a Joint Occupational Health and Safety Committee meeting had been held with a training session on working in cold weather. Councillor Arnold also attended the OFM review meeting in O'Connor.

Councillor Hunt reported on a Recreation Committee Meeting and noted that there was a Recreation Committee representative that attended the

last 100th Anniversary Committee to coordinate the next event on Family Day.

Councillor MacMaster noted that he has an upcoming meeting with the Clerk regarding the MIII funding. Councillor MacMaster also noted that he was looking at a computerized maintenance schedule for public works.

6.6 Flood Update

The Clerk presented an update from True Grit Consulting advising that the tender packages for the bridge repairs will be out in February.

Further to the above, Reeve Holland noted that he had sent a statement to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs, at the request of Kevin DesRosiers explaining why the Township will be requesting a significantly higher amount from the Ontario Disaster Relief Administration Program. It was noted that the PDAT team agreed that an engineering company should be engaged to provide reports on the extent of the damage and the amount of damage was higher. Council requested the Clerk to advise MMAH that we need assurance that the increased amount will be paid under ODRAP before the tenders are advertised.

7. **DISBURSEMENT LIST**

Disbursement List No 1B 2013

7.2 **Resolution No. 2013- 14**

Moved by Councillor Arnold
Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

THAT the Accounts in the amount of \$29,050.16 as per Disbursement List No. 1B 2013 be approved for payment.

CARRIED.

7.2 Budget to Actual Update - filed

8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

8.1 Red Cross Memorandum of Understanding

Council felt that the Township could provide the services outlined in the Memorandum of Understanding without entering into a formal agreement.

8.2 Red Cross Emergency Information Plan

The Clerk advised that this information was sent as a result of the Reeve's and Clerk's attendance at the Information Officer Training held in Oliver Paipoonge. This plan outlines the position of Information Officer. The information will be placed in the EOC file for review.

8.3 Resolution – Support for Skateboard/BMX Park

Resolution No. 2013 – 15

Moved by Councillor Arnold
Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

THAT the Council for the Township of Conmee supports the efforts of Evan Fiorito and his friends to have a skateboard and BMX park built in the Village of Kakabeka Falls.

CARRIED.

8.4 Approval of Funding re Asset Management Plan – filed

8.5 Ministry of Health – Joint Steering Committee

Resolution No. 2013 – 16

Moved by Councillor Hunt
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the Council for the Township of Conmee hereby appoints the Conmee Representative to the Zone 1 Mutual Aid Association, to be the Conmee Representative to the Joint Steering Committee, as required and detailed in the Agreement between the Township of Conmee and the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-term Care.

CARRIED.

8.6 Volunteer Pins

Resolution No. 2013 – 17

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor Hunt

THAT the Reeve be authorized on behalf of the Township of Conmee to purchase 100 lapel pins as presented, to honour our volunteers in the amount of \$291.60 plus HST.

CARRIED.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 True Grit – Grand Opening

Reeve Holland will try to attend this event if scheduling permits.

9.2 2013 Employee Benefit Renewal

Resolution No. 2013 – 18

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Hunt

THAT the Council for the Township of Conmee approves of the renewal of the Employee Benefit Package as presented, in the amount of \$462.74 per month.

CARRIED.

9.3 Hymers Fall Fair Ad

Resolution No. 2013 – 19

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Arnold

THAT the Council for the Township of Conmee approves of the request from the Hymers Agricultural Society for the Township to place an ad in the Hymers Fall Fair prize book in the amount of \$55.00 for ½ page.

CARRIED.

9.4 2013 Policing Costs - filed

9.5 Policy re Flag Protocol – filed

9.6 Policy re Equipment Rental

Resolution No. 2013 – 20

Moved by Councillor Hunt
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the Council for the Township of Conmee approves of Policy #45, being a policy to establish a policy for direction of staff regarding equipment rental at the Community Centre.

CARRIED.

9.7 By-law re Tax Ratios – deferred.

9.8 Incident Management System

Resolution No. 2013 – 21

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Hunt

THAT the following persons be approved to attend the Incident Management Systems session to be held at Oliver Paipoonge on February 7, 2013:

Councillor Arnold
Clerk Maxwell

CARRIED.

CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 2013 – 22

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor Hunt

THAT we do now adjourn to a Closed Session to discuss:

1. Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.
2. Personal matters about an identifiable individual including municipal or local board employees

at 9:25 pm.

CARRIED.

Council discussed an issue regarding DSSAB to be forwarded to the solicitor, as well as issues with two employees.

Resolution No. 2013 – 23

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

THAT we do now adjourn this Closed Session and return to the Open Meeting at 10:50 pm.

CARRIED.

Resolution No. 2013 – 24

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

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

CARRIED.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

10.1 Email from Ontario Ministry of Energy re Energy Management Plans

10.2 AMO Watch File

10.3 Response from M. Gravelle re PPS Statement from Area 1

10.4 LRCA – 2012 Annual Report and Watershed Map

11. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 2013-25

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Hunt

THAT we do now adjourn this meeting at 10:52 pm.

CARRIED.

Reeve

Clerk