

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
January 24, 2012

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

ALSO PRESENT: 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. 2011- 13

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor Arnold

THAT the Meeting Agenda be adopted as circulated
CARRIED.

3. **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Reeve Holland declared a pecuniary interest on Disbursement List No. 1B* 2012.

4. **DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS**

There were no depositions or petitions for Council's consideration

5. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Resolution No. 2011-14

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor Hunt

THAT the Minutes of the Public Meeting of Council held on January 10, 2012 be approved as amended.
CARRIED.

The Minutes were amended by adding the Councillor's names that moved and seconded Resolution No. 2012 -02., and that under section 9.10, the Resolution should be recorded as Defeated.

6. **REPORTS FROM MUNICIPAL OFFICERS**

6.1 Road Superintendent's Report - filed

6.2 Fire Chief's Report – not at this meeting

6.3 Clerk's Report

The Clerk advised Council that a subscription to a Health and Safety newsletter has been approved. The cost of this newsletter will be shared

with O'Connor Township. Council requested that the newsletter be emailed to the Joint Health and Safety members as well as the individual workplaces.

Councillor Hunt advised that the Fire Department members are due for first aid recertification, which means the Township staff will also require recertification. Due to the level that the Fire Department members are trained to, the staff cannot recertify at the same time.

Council discussed opening up first aid training to other persons interested. Councillor Hunt will investigate this issue and report back to Council. Other municipalities have done this and it was noted that this may be a good recruiting tool for First Response.

6.4 Councillor Reports

Reeve Holland reported on the DSSAB presentation made on January 19th regarding Area 1 Representation. The Reeves and Mayors of Area 1 plus some Council members attended in support, except for O'Connor Township. The resolution presented will be discussed at the February DSSAB meeting.

Reeve Holland advised Council that Stantec/MTO forwarded two new maps which were the result of a request by the Kakabeka Highway Bypass Committee, and a change to our requested route known as BCD4. The Kakabeka By-pass Committee has requested the route that has the greatest negative impact on Conmee Township. The Conmee Highway Committee has reviewed these new maps and do not see any advantage to the businesses in Kakabeka Falls to have the route they are requesting. In fact, the Conmee Highway Committee believe the loss of homes in Conmee Township will have a far greater impact on Kakabeka businesses, as it is those homes and residents that support the Kakabeka businesses throughout the year. The Highway Committee will be meeting again with Stantec/MTO in February.

Reeve Holland noted that work continues on updating the Reeves Boards in the hall.

Councillor Arnold advised that he had met with the Fire Chief to discuss his reports and a new report format has been developed. The Fire Chief will attend the first February meeting to update Council on the pager issue. Councillor Arnold advised he would be attending the annual LRCA meeting on January 25th, and that elections for Chair would be held at that time. Councillor Arnold was not seeking any office with that organization.

Councillor MacMaster advised that he and Councillor Rydholm met with Road Superintendent Ken Malinoski. A tour of the garage and outlying buildings was conducted. Councillor MacMaster noted that the Quonset hut was not being used to full potential and Council should consider removing it or finding another use for it. A suggestion was made that the foundation might be suitable for use for a sand dome. Councillor MacMaster also advised that there are some boxes of Township records that are on the mezzanine floor that should either be brought back to the office or destroyed. Councillor MacMaster noted that there are some computer upgrades that should be completed.

Councillor Rydholm advised Council that he had attended the Thunder Bay District Municipal League meeting in Nipigon. The new Secretary-Treasurer was introduced. Topics for the annual meeting to be held in Terrace Bay in March were suggested.

Councillor Hunt advised that there has been no contact with the Recreation Committee.

6.5 Committee Reports

There were no committee reports for Council's consideration.

7. **DISBURSEMENT LIST**

Disbursement List No 01B 2012

Resolution No. 2011- 15

Moved by Councillor Hunt
Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

THAT the Accounts in the amount of \$42,189.50 as per Disbursement List No. 01B 2012 be approved for payment.

CARRIED.

7.2 Disbursement List No. 01B* 2012

Reeve Holland left the room at this point and Deputy-Reeve MacMaster took the Chair.

Resolution No. 2011 – 16

Moved by Councillor Hunt
Seconded by Councillor Arnold

THAT the Accounts in the amount of \$435.05 as per Disbursement List No. 1B* 2012 be approved for payment.

CARRIED.

8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

8.1 By-law No. 995 – Appoint Deputy-Reeve (Error Correction)

Resolution No. 2012-17

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. 995 being a By-law to appoint a Deputy-Reeve.

CARRIED.

The By-law was re-introduced to correct an error in the dates of service for the Deputy-Reeves.

8.2 by-law No. 996 – Establish a Joint Health and Safety Committee – deferred.

8.3 Contract for Library Services

Resolution No 2012 – 19

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Hunt

THAT the Clerk be authorized on behalf of the Township of Conmee to affix her signature to the Contract for Library Services with the Municipality of Oliver Paipooonge, with an amendment to the last paragraph to read "upon mutual agreement".

CARRIED.

8.4 By-law No. 997 – Tax Ratios

Resolution No. 2012-20

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 on By-law No. 997, being a by-law to establish the Tax ratios for 2012.

CARRIED.

Resolution No. 2012-21

Moved by Councillor Hunt
Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

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

CARRIED.

8.5 Information from Ian Robson re Provincial Offenses – filed

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 MMAH Annual Debt Repayment Limit – filed

9.2 EMO Quarterly Newsletter – filed

9.3 Resolution Support Request – County of Huron

Resolution No. 2012 – 22

Moved by Councillor Hunt
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the Council for the Township of Conmee supports the resolution from the County of Huron regarding Low Frequency Noise (copy attached).

DEFEATED.

9.4 Cancellation of February 28th Meeting

Resolution No. 2012-23

Moved by Councillor Arnold
Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

THAT the February 28th Regular Meeting of Council be cancelled due to attendance at OGRA/ROMA.

CARRIED.

9.5 Hymers Fair Ad

Resolution No. 2012 – 24

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor Arnold

THAT the Council for the Township of Conmee agrees to a ½ page ad in the Hymers Agricultural Society program with the necessary changes.

CARRIED.

9.6 Invitation to Mayor's Prayer Breakfast - deferred

10. CORRESPONDENCE

10.1 Comfort Zone – New Newsletter for Health and Safety

10.2 Board of Health – Minutes – December 31, 2011

10.3 LRCA – Explorer Cards

11. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 2011-25

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Arnold

THAT we do now adjourn this meeting at 10.12 pm.

CARRIED.

Reeve

Clerk