

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
June 25, 2013

PRESENT: Mayor Kevin Holland
Councillor Robert MacMaster
Councillor Robert Rydholm

ALSO PRESENT: Rosy Brizi, Grant Thornton, Ken Malinoski, Road Superintendent

ABSENT: Councillor Grant Arnold, Councillor Mary-Lynne Hunt

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

2. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Resolution No. 2013- 112

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the Meeting Agenda be adopted as amended.
CARRIED.

The Meeting Agenda was amended by the adoption of 9.4 Letter from EMS, 9.5 OPG Release and 9.6 Shuniah Volunteer Firefighter Association Dunk Tank Rental.

3. **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Mayor Holland declared a pecuniary interest in item 7.2 Disbursement List No. 06BB 2013.

4. **DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS**

4.1 Rosy Brizi – Grant Thornton – Audited Financial Statements

Ms. Brizi attended Council to present the draft audited financial statements. Ms. Brizi noted that there was a small surplus from 2012 operations and suggested that Council should continue to use the surplus to fund the Allowance for Doubtful Accounts. Council agreed that this should be continued since there are more properties that are expected to default on their taxes and would not sell in a tax sale. Mayor Holland thanked Ms. Brizi for attending. The final statements will be forwarded.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Resolution No. 2013-113

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on June 11, 2013 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED.

6. REPORTS FROM MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

6.1 Road Superintendent's Report

Council requested the Road Superintendent to block off the outside equipment with snow fence for the Canada Day celebrations and to fill the hole at the flag pole. There will be a meeting of the Roads and Landfill liaisons, as well as the Clerk and Road Superintendent to discuss the landfill operations after the Health and Safety meeting on July 10.

6.2 Fire Chief's Report – not at this meeting

6.3 Clerk's Report

The Clerk advised that the house which did not sell in tax sale has been covered by insurance. Council discussed various scenarios for the sale of the house. The Clerk was directed to have 3 real estate companies give us an estimate of the value.

6.4 Councillor Reports

Mayor Holland reported on his activities since the last meeting, including the 100th Anniversary activities, meeting with the successful bidder for the bridge work, and meetings with contractors for the community centre upgrades. His full report is on file.

7. DISBURSEMENT LIST

7.1 Disbursement List No 06B

Resolution No. 2013- 114

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the Accounts in the amount of \$29,025.56 as per Disbursement List No. 06B 2013 be approved for payment.

CARRIED.

7.2 Disbursement List No. 06BB

Resolution No. 2013-115

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

THAT the Accounts in the amount of \$175.16 as per Disbursement List No. 06BB be approved for payment.

Mayor Holland declared a conflict.

CARRIED.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.1 Councillor Expense Report – Amended

Resolution No. 2013 – 116

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the amended Councillor Expense report be accepted.

CARRIED.

8.2 Approval of Items for Community Centre Upgrades

Resolution No. 2013 – 117

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

THAT the Council for the Township of Conmee approves of the capital improvement works (grant and non-grant) to a maximum of \$340,000.00 and authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to proceed.

CARRIED.

8.3 Policing Update - filed

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Herbicide Warning – filed

9.2 Letter from Township of Gillies

Council discussed the letter received from the Township of Gillies. Council requested that a response be returned that the Township of Conmee is not interested in amalgamation but would be pleased to continue with Shared Services meetings.

9.3 Concerns from Councillor Arnold

The Clerk read the ratepayer concerns forwarded by Councillor Arnold, and her response to Councillor Arnold. Council felt the Clerk's response adequately described the position of Council.

9.4 Letter from EMS

Resolution No. 2013 – 118

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

THAT the Council for the Township of Conmee approves of the installation and upgrade of the EMS paging system at the Conmee Ambulance Base as per the attached information.

CARRIED.

Councillor MacMaster requested that EMS and/or the Contractors who would be doing the work should be aware of the Township's Health and Safety policies.

9.5 OPG Release

The Clerk presented the letter from Ontario Power Generation requesting that the Township sign a release so that OPG could use information regarding their donation to the 100th Anniversary celebrations in any promotional material they may develop.

Resolution No. 2013 – 119

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the Mayor be authorized on behalf of the Township of Conmee to affix his signature to the Consent and Release form from Ontario Power Generation.

CARRIED.

9.6 Shuniah Volunteer Firefighters Association Dunk Tank Rental

Resolution No. 2013 – 120

Moved by Councillor MacMaster

Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

THAT the Mayor be authorized on behalf of the Township of Conmee to affix his signature to the Rental Contract with the Shuniah Volunteer Firefighters Association for the rental of the dunk tank.

CARRIED.

ADJOURN TO A CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS FINANCIAL MATTERS OF AN IDENTIFIABLE INDIVIDUAL INCLUDING MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES

Resolution No. 2013 – 121

Moved by Councillor MacMaster

Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

THAT we do now adjourn to a closed session to discuss:

1. Personal matters about an identifiable individual including municipal or local board employees at 9:15 pm.

CARRIED.

Council was presented with a personnel issue, but requested that the issue be deferred until a full Council was present.

Resolution No. 2013 – 122

Moved by Councillor Rydholm

Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT we do now adjourn the Closed Session and return to the open meeting at 9:55 pm.

CARRIED.

Resolution No. 2013 – 123

Moved by **Councillor MacMaster**
Seconded by **Councillor Rydholm**

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

10. CORRESPONDENCE

- 10.1 Changes to Feed-In Tariff Program
- 10.2 Minutes – LRCA – May 15, 2013
- 10.3 AMO Watch File
- 10.4 DSSAB Minutes – April 18, 2013
- 10.5 DSSAB Annual Report
- 10.6 Letter from Min. of Energy re Municipal Control over Projects
- 10.7 AMO Watch File

11. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 2013-124

Moved by **Councillor Rydholm**
Seconded by **Councillor MacMaster**

THAT we do now adjourn this meeting at 10:07 pm.
CARRIED.

Mayor

Clerk