

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING  
November 12, 2013

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

**ALSO PRESENT:** Jim Graham, Staff Sgt. OPP  
**ABSENT:** Ken Malinoski, Road Superintendent

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

2. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**Resolution No. 2013- 202**

**Moved by** Councillor Arnold  
**Seconded by** Councillor MacMaster

**THAT** the Meeting Agenda be adopted as circulated.  
**CARRIED.**

3. **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Mayor Holland declared a pecuniary interest in item 7.2.

4. **DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS**

4.1 Staff Stg. Jim Graham

Staff Stg. Graham attended the meeting at Council's request to discuss the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter report and other current policing issues. Staff Sgt. Graham noted that they were trying to join a crime prevention council currently meeting to discuss crime prevention strategy. This would not be the same as the current Community Policing Advisory Committee. The idea is to be preemptive in stopping crime caused by other social problems.

Staff Stg. Graham also discussed the Policing Cost seminar held on October 31, 2013 which was also attended by Mayor Holland and Clerk Maxwell. The OPP are looking at implementing a better costing model to clarify costs and share them more equally. It was noted that this will result in an increase to all of the organized areas around Thunder Bay serviced by the OPP. The plan will call for a base amount that everyone will share and an additional cost for service when calls are answered. It was noted that the costs for policing in the unorganized areas are not adequately captured and assigned.

Mayor Holland thanked Staff Sgt Graham for attending the meeting.

5. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

5.1 **Resolution No. 2013- 203**

**Moved by** Councillor Arnold  
**Seconded by** Councillor Hunt

**THAT** the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on October 22, 2013 be approved 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

Mayor Holland reported on his activities since the last meeting including attending a CPAC meeting, a DSSAB meeting, two Management Review meetings, an OPP Billing Seminar, the Township Halloween Party, including set-up, a meeting with Bob Whiteside, a Planning Board meeting, and a meeting with True Grit and the contractor installing culverts. Mayor Holland also has a meeting with the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee scheduled as well as an Area 1 meeting and the meeting in Toronto with the Minister of Community and Social Services.

Councillor Arnold reported on his attendance at the Forum North Health and Safety conference as well as a Joint Health and Safety Committee meeting and inspection.

Councillor MacMaster reported on meetings with the Joint Health and Safety Committee, True Grit and an upcoming Skateboard Park Committee meeting.

## **7. DISBURSEMENT LIST**

- 7.1 Disbursement List No 11A 2013

### **Resolution No. 2013-204**

**Moved by                      Councillor Rydholm**  
**Seconded by                Councillor Arnold**

**THAT** the accounts in the amount of \$173,778.46, as per Disbursement List No. 11A 2013 be approved for payment.

**CARRIED.**

- 7.2 Disbursement List No. 11AA 2013

### **Resolution No. 2013 – 205**

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

**THAT** the accounts in the amount of \$1,527.76 as per Disbursement List No. 11AA 2013 be approved for payment.

**CARRIED.**

Mayor Holland declared a conflict and left the room.

## **8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- 8.1 Forwarded Letter from MTO to Atikokan re Off Road Vehicles

Council requested that the Clerk follow-up on this issue with the Minister of Transportation.

8.2 Fire Chief Resignation

**Resolution No. 2013 – 206**

**Moved by                   Councillor Hunt**  
**Seconded by            Councillor Rydholm**

**THAT** the Council for the Township of Conmee accepts, with regret, the resignation of the Fire Chief, Aime Spencer, effective December 31, 2013.

**CARRIED.**

Council requested that the Clerk advertise this position.

8.3 GAL Power Agreement for Yearly Inspection

**Resolution No. 2013 – 207**

**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 yearly maintenance agreement for the generator, with GAL Power.

**CARRIED.**

8.4 OGRA/ROMA Booking – Admin. Report #2013 – 17

**Resolution No. 2013 – 208**

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

**THAT** the following persons be approved to attend the OGRA/RO<A conference to be held in Toronto on February 23<sup>rd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

Councillor Arnold  
Mayor Holland  
Clerk Maxwell

**CARRIED.**

8.5 Small Rural Northern Municipal Infrastructure Fund – Admin Report #20123- 18

**Resolution No. 2013 – 209**

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

**THAT** the Council for the Township of Conmee directs the Clerk to submit an Expression of Interest for the Small Rural and Northern Municipal Infrastructure fund Capital Program. Council hereby declares as follows:

1. The information in the Expression of Interest is factually accurate;
2. The Township has a comprehensive asset management plan that includes all of the information and analysis described in “Building Together: Guide for Municipal Asset Management Plans” in place or will have one in place by December 31, 2013;
3. The comprehensive asset management plan will be publicly available including online if the municipality has a website, by May 30, 2014;
4. The project put forward in this application will be completed by December 31, 2015.

**CARRIED.**

8.6 Dog Catcher Resignation

**Resolution No. 2013 – 210**

**Moved by                   Councillor MacMaster**  
**Seconded by               Councillor Hunt**

**THAT** the Council for the Township of Conmee accepts, with regret, the resignation from Laura Loan, Dog Catcher.

**CARRIED.**

**9.     NEW BUSINESS**

9.1 Cancellation of December 24, 2013 Meeting

**Resolution No. 2013 – 211**

**Moved by                   Councillor Hunt**  
**Seconded by               Councillor Arnold**

**THAT** the regular meeting of Council to be held on December 24, 2013 be cancelled.

**CARRIED.**

**Resolution No. 2013 – 212**

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

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

**CARRIED.**

9.2 Roadside Grass Cutting Agreement

The Clerk requested direction on the roadside grass cutting tender, which needs to be tendered for the 2014 – 2015 years. Council did not identify any changes necessary to the information contained in previous tenders and directed the Clerk to proceed.

9.3 Fire Safety Inspection Report – filed

CLOSED SESSION

**Resolution No. 2013 – 213**

**Moved by                   Councillor Rydholm**  
**Seconded by               Councillor Arnold**

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

1. Personal matters about an identifiable individual including municipal or local board employees, and;
2. The safety and security of property of the Board at 9:22 pm.

**CARRIED.**

Council discussed a potential lease agreement and a letter received from a ratepayer.

**Resolution No. 2013 – 214**

**Moved by                   Councillor MacMaster**  
**Seconded by            Councillor Hunt**

**THAT** we do now adjourn the Closed Session and return to the Open Meeting at 11:15 pm.

**CARRIED.**

The Clerk was directed to proceed as per instructions received during the Closed Session on both matters under consideration.

**10.    CORRESPONDENCE**

- 10.1 AMO – 2012 Gas Tax Report
- 10.2 Minutes – Thunder Bay District Health Unit – September 19, 2013
- 10.3 National Coalition Against Tobacco
- 10.4 CUPW – The Future of Canada Post – Postal Banking

**11.    ADJOURNMENT**

**Resolution No. 2013-215**

**Moved by                   Councillor Hunt**  
**Seconded by            Councillor Arnold**

**THAT** we do now adjourn this meeting at 11:16 pm.

**CARRIED.**

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Mayor

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Clerk