

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
October 13, 2015

PRESENT: Mayor Kevin Holland
Councillor Robert MacMaster
Councillor S. Maxwell
Councillor Cathy Woodbeck

ALSO PRESENT: Laura Bruni, Treasurer, Dan Brenzavich, Jordan Shannon,
Brent Forsyth, CE Strategies

ABSENT: Councillor Grant Arnold

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

2. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Resolution No. 2015- 171

Moved by Councillor Woodbeck
Seconded by Councillor Maxwell

THAT the Meeting Agenda be adopted as prepared.
CARRIED.

3. **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Mayor Holland declared a pecuniary interest in item 7.2 Disbursement List No. 10AA.

4. **DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS**

4.1 CE Strategies

Mr. Brenzavich, Mr. Shannon and Mr. Forsyth from CE Strategies attended Council to make a presentation on two programs. The first presentation was on a program called MapAki which is designed to map community infrastructure for asset management and can be used for future planning. The second program is called infraMarker and consists of small, magnetic devices that can be installed on buried infrastructure to make it easier to find using a device that reads the magnetic field they generate.

Council discussed uses for these programs for the Township including adding layers to the mapping for zoning and natural scientific interest.

Mayor Holland thanked them for coming and advised that the Clerk would contact them.

4.2 Nelson Turcotte

Mr. Turcotte attended the Council meeting to request Council's support for a solar installation on his property on Oikonen Road. Mr. Turcotte explained that he was looking to put up ground mount solar for the FIT 4 program. Council discussed the use of the property and whether or not the installation would be considered a commercial use of the land.

Mayor Holland thanked Mr. Turcotte for attending.

Council agreed that they were not in support of the project due to the fact that the FIT program is one of the reasons why hydro has become increasingly expensive and unaffordable.

Council considered the following resolutions:

Resolution No. 2015 – 172

Municipal Council Support Resolution. Council declined to support this resolution.

Resolution No. 2015 – 173

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Woodbeck

THAT the Clerk be authorized to affix her signature on behalf of the Township of Conmee to the Prescribed Form: Municipal Council Resolution Confirmation for the DEE Hydropower Inc. application to the FIT program.

DEFEATED

Resolution No. 2015 - 174

Prescribed Form: Visual Screening and Setback Acknowledgement. Council declined to support this resolution.

Resolution No. 2015 – 175

Moved by Councillor Woodbeck
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the Clerk be authorized on behalf of the Township of Conmee to affix her signature to the Prescribed Form: Visual Screening and Setback Acknowledgement for the DEE Hydropower Inc. application to the FIT program

DEFEATED.

Resolution No. 2015 – 176

Moved by Councillor Woodbeck
Seconded by Councillor Maxwell

THAT the Clerk be authorized to affix her signature on behalf of the Township of Conmee to the Zoning Certificate for Non-Rooftop Solar Project for the for DEE Hydropower Inc. application to the FIT program.

DEFEATED.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

5.1 Resolution No. 2015 - 177

Moved by Councillor Woodbeck
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on September 22, 2015 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED.

6. REPORTS FROM MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

- 6.1 Road Superintendent's Report and Grading Map - filed
 - Landfill Reports – Not at this meeting
 - Generator Report and Tank Levels Report - filed
- 6.2 Fire Chief's Report - filed
- 6.3 Clerk's Report – filed
- 6.4 Treasurer's Report
 - 2013 Tax Arrears Report
- 6.4 Councillor Reports

As Mayor Holland has been on holidays he has no activities to report but notes an upcoming LRMC and SRSSB meeting.

Councillor Maxwell noted that she had attended the NOMA Conference and had an upcoming Social Committee meeting to discuss the upcoming Halloween events.

Councillor Woodbeck advised she had attended the Prosperity North conference and had given out Sk8park donation packages.

Councillor MacMaster advised he had attended the NOMA conference.

7. DISBURSEMENT LIST

Disbursement List No 10A

Resolution No. 2015 - 178

Moved by Councillor Woodbeck
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the accounts in the amount of \$54,580.58 as per Disbursement List No. 10A 2015 be approved for payment.

CARRIED.

Disbursement List No. 10AA

Resolution No. 2015 – 179

Moved by Councillor Maxwell
Seconded by Councillor Woodbeck

THAT the accounts in the amount of \$6,760.11 as per Disbursement List No. 10AA 2015 be approved for payment.

CARRIED.

Mayor Holland declared a conflict and left the room/

Disbursement List No. Payroll

Resolution No. 2015 – 180

Moved by Councillor Woodbeck
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the Payroll in the amount of \$9,052.37 as per the attached cheque log be approved for payment.

CARRIED.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.1 Draft Tiered Response Agreement

Council was provided with the meeting date for the discussion on this issue.

8.2 Notice of Appeal re Erdman Gravel Pit – filed

8.3 2016 OPP Billing Statement

Council discussed the OPP billing statement which shows a 2.7% increase in 2016 alone with more increases to follow in subsequent years under the new billing system.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 TBDML Fall Meeting Attendance and Tentative Agenda

Resolution No. 2015 – 181

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Woodbeck

THAT the following persons be approved to attend the Thunder Bay District Municipal League conference to be held in Thunder Bay on October 23rd, and 24th, 2015:

Councillor R. MacMaster

CARRIED.

9.2 JML Engineering – 2015 Bridge Inspection Report

Council discussed the report from JML Engineering. The Road Crew will be asked to review the document to see what can be done in house on the recommendations.

9.3 OGRA/ROMA Conference Attendance

Resolution No. 2015 – 182

Moved by Councillor Maxwell
Seconded by Councillor Woodbeck

THAT the following persons be authorized to attend the OGRA/ROMA conference to be held in Toronto on February 21st to 24th, 2016:

Councillor S. Maxwell

Mayor Holland

Clerk Maxwell

CARRIED.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

10.1 TBDSSAB – Letter re Ontario Renovates Program

10.2 Curb Magazine re Homelessness and Housing

10.3 AMO Report re Board Meeting

10.4 AMO Communications

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

Resolution No. 2015 - 183

Moved by Councillor Woodbeck
Seconded by Councillor Maxwell

THAT we do now adjourn this meeting at 10:50 pm.
CARRIED.

Mayor

Clerk