

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING  
October 14, 2014

**PRESENT:** Mayor Kevin Holland  
Councillor Robert MacMaster  
Councillor Cathy Woodbeck

**ALSO PRESENT:** Ken Malinoski, Road Superintendent, Dan Brensavich and Brent Forsyth, CE Strategies, Laura Bruni, Treasurer

**ABSENT:** Councillor Mary-Lynne Hunt, 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. 2014- 205**

**Moved by** Councillor MacMaster  
**Seconded by** Councillor Woodbeck

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

The Agenda was amended by removing item 7.2 as there was no second Disbursement List at this meeting.

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**

4.1 Dan Brensavich and Brent Forsyth – CE Strategies

Mr. Brensavich and Mr. Forsyth attended the meeting to give Council an overview of their company. CE Strategies provides economic and community development services as well as GIS and GPS and community enhancement studies. The company will do a needs assessment and gather information on assets, apply that needs assessment to a community or strategic plan based on prioritization of issues and assist in the implementation of the project, including project management. Mr. Brensavich noted that projects should relate to expansion in residential, commercial or industrial properties to expand the tax base. Mr. Brensavich advised that the company could help with accessing funds as well.

Mr. Forsyth provided information on a program called Map AKI, which would identify the position of the Township assets on a map that would be accessible for the public. This would be a subscription service and the company would do the necessary data entry.

Mayor Holland thanked Mr. Brensavich and Mr. Forsyth for attending the meeting and advised that the Township would like to discuss this further at a future date.

5. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

5.1 **Resolution No. 2014 - 206**

**Moved by                   Councillor Woodbeck**  
**Seconded by           Councillor MacMaster**

**THAT** the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on September 23, 2014 be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED.**

6. **REPORTS FROM MUNICIPAL OFFICERS**

6.1 Road Superintendent's Report – filed

- Landfill Reports –

Council discussed the issue of the remaining useful life of the landfill. It was noted that it appears that the Township has already used 15 year's worth of capacity in 11 years, with only 5 years of capacity remaining. The Clerk advised that she consulted with True Grit Engineering regarding the matter and that they had advised that it was possible the original capacity had been over-stated, or that the estimated volumes per year entering the landfill was too high. Council noted that the Certificate of Approval specified a volume that could be put in the landfill and that when we reached that volume it would not matter how much land was left for landfilling, as we would have to take steps to allow more volume or more area.

A suggestion was made to research how much actual area was left for trenching. As we know the size of the previous trenches and the volume that they contain, we will be able to see if there is sufficient area for trenches left. It was also noted that some of the volume in a trench is actually cover and should be removed from the calculation on the amount of garbage being landfilled.

It was also noted that although the Landfill Attendant's reports show the number of bags being brought into the landfill, there is no indication of whether they are full bags and it does not capture the volume of other waste such as wood and furniture. Staff will return a report to Council.

- Report on Items of Interest on Road Inspection

Council reviewed the report on the road inspection. Mr. Malinoski advised that he may not be able to get the roadside brush cutter out this fall, but that he would at least brush out the signs. Council asked that he see if there is someone else that can be hired to get some done this year.

6.3 Clerk's Report - filed

6.4 Councillor Reports

Mayor Holland reported on his activities since the last meeting including a CPAC meeting, NOMA Fall Conference, Planning Board, Rural Food Cupboard and LRMC.

Councillor MacMaster noted that he had attended the Library Board meeting where the upcoming craft sale was discussed, as well as volunteers. Councillor MacMaster also advised that he had attended the NOMA conference and a Skatepark Committee meeting.

Councillor Woodbeck advised she had attended the NOMA conference, Prosperity Northwest and a CEDC Strategic Plan announcement.

6.5 Other Board and Agency Reports

- Skatepark Committee Minutes – September 3, 2014 - filed

7. **DISBURSEMENT LIST**

Disbursement List No 10A

**Resolution No. 2014- 207**

**Moved by                   Councillor Woodbeck**  
**Seconded by           Councillor MacMaster**

**THAT** the accounts in the amount of \$73,404.21 as per Disbursement List No. 10A 2014 be approved for payment.

**CARRIED.**

8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- 8.1 Note from Resident re Repairs – filed
- 8.2 Min. of Agriculture – Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (CIF) – filed

**Resolution No. 2014 – 208**

**Moved by                   Councillor MacMaster**  
**Seconded by           Councillor Woodbeck**

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

**CARRIED.**

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

- 9.1 OPP Contract (Section 10 Under Police Services Act) – filed
- 9.2 Resolution Support Request – Kenora – Energy Board Intervener Status

**Resolution No. 2014 – 209**

**Moved by                   Councillor MacMaster**  
**Seconded by           Councillor Woodbeck**

**THAT** the Council for the Township of Conmee supports the resolution from the City of Kenora that NOMA intervene in the National Energy Board hearings on Energy East on behalf of the member municipalities.

**DEFEATED.**

- 9.3 DSSAB Final 2014 Cost Calculations – filed
- 9.4 Thunder Bay and District Humane Society Request for Contract

Council did not feel it was in the best interests of the Township to enter into a contract with the Thunder Bay and District Humane Society at this time.

9.5 Final October Meeting Date

The last meeting in October has been moved to November 4, 2014.

9.6 TBDML Fall Conference Dates and Tentative Agenda

**Resolution No. 2014 – 210**

**Moved by                   Councillor Woodbeck**  
**Seconded by            Councillor MacMaster**

**THAT** the following persons be approved to attend the Thunder Bay District Municipal League Fall Conference to be held on December 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> at the Prince Arthur Hotel:

Councillor C. Woodbeck  
**CARRIED.**

9.7 By-Law no. 1060 – Appoint Library Volunteer

**Resolution No. 2014 – 211**

**Moved by                   Councillor MacMaster**  
**Seconded by            Councillor Woodbeck**

**THAT** the Mayor and Clerk be authorized on behalf of the Township of Conmee to affix their signatures to By-law No. 1060 being a by-law to appoint a volunteer member to the Library Board.

**CARRIED.**

**10.   CORRESPONDENCE**

- 10.1 AMO Report – Highlights of Sept. Meeting
- 10.2 TBDHU – 2013 Annual Report
- 10.3 Ontario Power Authority
- 10.4 Thunder Bay Police Service re Texting 911
- 10.5 AMO Communications

**11.   ADJOURNMENT**

**Resolution No. 2014-212**

**Moved by                   Councillor Woodbeck**  
**Seconded by            Councillor MacMaster**

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

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Mayor

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Clerk