

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
October 9, 2012

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

ALSO PRESENT: Jim Burke – Township Resident

ABSENT: Councillor Grant Arnold

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

2. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Resolution No. 2012- 194

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT the Meeting Agenda be adopted as amended
CARRIED.

The Agenda was amended by the addition of Mr. Jim Burke under Deputations and the addition of a Closed Session.

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 Mr. Jim Burke

Mr. Burke attended Council to advise that the milk truck that picks up his milk will no longer be able to use his driveway in the winter. Mr. Burke will be making a road across his property that will come out on Maxwell Road. Mr. Burk is requesting that Council keep that section of Maxwell Road open as it is usually not maintained in winter.

Council advised Mr. Burke that it was late in the year to be making such a request as there is no time left to ensure that that section will stand up to a heavy truck. Mr. Burke noted that he was only told this recently.

Council advised that they would plow the road in the winter but that they could not guarantee that there would not be problems in the spring breakup. Mr. Burke advised that as soon as melting starts he can direct the truck to his driveway again. Council will review the situation next year for maintenance. Mr. Burke also asked that the brush be cut in this area.

5. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

5.1 Minutes – Regular Meeting – September 25, 2012

Resolution No. 2012-195

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor Hunt

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on September 25, 2012 be approved as amended.

CARRIED.

Several spelling mistakes were corrected.

5.2 Minutes – Special Meeting – September 24, 2012

Resolution No. 2012-196

Moved by Councillor MacMaster
Seconded by Councillor Rydholm

THAT the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on September 24, 2012 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 – not at this meeting

6.3 Clerk's Report - filed

6.4 Councillor Reports

Reeve Holland updated Council on his activities since the last meeting including attending the DSSAB Grand Opening, the NOMA Regional Conference and the work being done on the community centre, including the new shrubs that don't have invasive roots.

Reeve Holland noted that the Area 1 Heads of Council Group did not agree to go to Toronto on the 15th of October as the meetings were not going to be attended by any Ministers except Minister Wynne. The Group decided to defer the trip until all the Ministers can attend.

Councillor MacMaster advised that he had met with the Clerk and Mike Vialoux. The obligations of the Joint Health and Safety Committee were discussed and dates set for meetings in the new year. It was also noted that a policy list will be developed to ensure that we are meeting our requirements under the Occupational Health and Safety Act and that the Committee will review the prior recommendations of the Committee for implementation.

Councillor Hunt advised that the Recreation Committee met to discuss the Halloween Party to be held on October 27, 2012 from 6 pm to 10 pm. Councillor Hunt also noted that the Zumba class has been a great success.

Councillor Rydholm presented his report on his attendance at the Thunder Bay District Municipal League meeting.

7. DISBURSEMENT LIST

Disbursement List No 10A 2012

Resolution No. 2012- 197

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

THAT the Accounts in the amount of \$122,597.95 as per Disbursement List No. 10A 2012 be approved.

CARRIED.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.1 Follow Up from Minister's Planning Roundtable

Information on the results of the Minister's Planning Roundtable was presented for Council's information.

8.2 Draft Cemetery By-law

The Clerk presented a draft cemetery by-law to meet the requirements of the new legislation. As part of that process, the Clerk requested permission to purchase a new cemetery program to help track sales. The Clerk also noted that there are a significant number of "reserved" lots that have not been paid for. Some of these lots were reserved 20 or 30 years ago and it is not known if these persons are even still in the area. The Clerk requested permission to publish a notice in the Chronicle Journal advising that if you want to keep the lot you have "reserved" you will need to come to the office to pay for it. The Notice will be published once a week for four weeks. People will be given until next March to pay for the lot or it will be made available for the next person who wants to purchase it. In the future, if anyone appears who thought they had a lot reserved, they will need to choose another lot.

Council also discussed the establishment of a scattering garden and cremation lots. Both of these will be implemented in the cemetery.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Invitation to 30th Anniversary of the Rural 60 Plus Centre

Council noted that Road Inspection has been scheduled for this day and therefore no Council member will be available to attend. The Clerk was directed to send a letter of congratulations.

9.2 Thunder Bay District Municipal League Fall Conference

Resolution No. 2012 – 198

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

THAT the following persons be approved to attend the Thunder Bay District Municipal League Fall Conference to be held in Thunder Bay on November 2nd and 3rd, 2012.

Councillor Rydholm
Clerk Maxwell

CARRIED.

9.3 Resolution re Applying for Asset Management Funding

Resolution No. 2012 – 199

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

THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Conmee hereby commits to reviewing the existing asset management plan to make sure it is consistent with the direction outlined in the Building Together Guide for Municipal Asset Management Plans.

CARRIED.

- 9.4 Aggregate License Fee Disbursement – filed
- 9.5 Semi Annual Policing Cost Summary – filed
- 9.6 Letter from FCM re Queens Diamond Jubilee Medal – filed
- 9.7 Request for Support re Banning the Sale of Cats and Dogs in Pet Stores – filed
- 9.8 2011 Financial Statements, 2011 Final Payment and 2012 Partial Payment for Court Services – filed
- 9.9 Donation of Tumble Bug Used to Build Conmee Roads

Council accepted the donation from Muriel Maxwell, in the name of Herb Maxwell, of a piece of machinery used to build Conmee Roads.

- 9.10 Resolution re Reserve Gas Stations

Resolution No. 2012 – 200

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

WHEREAS First Nations individuals registered under the Indian Act as "Status Indians" are entitled to purchase gasoline for their personal use exempt of tax, when purchasing from a Ministry of Finance authorized service station located on a reserve;

AND WHEREAS the Ministry of Finance must also ensure that compliance measures are in place so that the exemption from payment of Ontario's gasoline tax is not granted to non-First Nations individuals who are not entitled to it;

AND WHEREAS First Nations reserves are selling gas to non-qualified individuals;

AND WHEREAS the selling of gas to non-qualified individuals creates an unfair and uncompetitive financial advantage to the First Nations gas station operators to the extent that non First-Nation gas stations are having to close;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Ministry of Finance be requested to enforce the compliance regulations regarding the sale of gas to non-First Nations individuals to ensure that all non-First Nation gas stations can remain competitive;

AND THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Thunder Bay District Municipal League, the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association and area municipalities for support.

CARRIED.

Resolution No. 2012 – 201

Moved by **Councillor MacMaster**

Seconded by Councillor Hunt

THAT we do now adjourn to a Closed Session to discuss matters regarding an identifiable individual at 8:45 pm.

CARRIED.

Council discussed an issue with a resident not following the rules at the landfill. The Clerk was directed to speak with the OPP on this matter.

Resolution No. 2012 – 202

Moved by Councillor Rydholm
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT we do now adjourn this Closed Session and return to the Open Meeting at 9:29 pm.

CARRIED.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

- 10.1 Survey Results from NOMA Conference
- 10.2 AMO Report – September Board Meeting
- 10.3 Memorandum from Minister Chiarelle – MTO – Federal Long Term Infrastructure Plan
- 10.4 LRCA – Minutes – August 29, 2012
- 10.5 T.B. Board of Health – Minutes – June 20, 2012
- 10.6 OPP – Updated Policing Service Formula

11. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 2012-203

Moved by Councillor Hunt
Seconded by Councillor MacMaster

THAT we do now adjourn this meeting at 9:30 pm.

CARRIED.

Reeve

Clerk