

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING  
October 8, 2013

**PRESENT:** Mayor Kevin Holland  
Councillor Grant Arnold  
Councillor Mary-Lynne Hunt – Part of the Meeting  
Councillor Robert MacMaster

**ALSO PRESENT:** Robert Whiteside, Bill Bailey, Mervi Henttonen

**ABSENT:** Councillor Robert Rydholm, 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- 183**

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

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

3. **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Mayor Holland declared a pecuniary interest in item 7.2

4. **DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS**

4.1 Bill Bailey and Mervi Henttonen, Lakehead Region Conservation Authority

Mr. Bailey and Ms. Henttonen attended the Council meeting to present the LRCA 2014 budget. It was noted that there has been a decrease over the 2013 budget. The LRCA representatives provided information on the mandate of the Authority and what the budget for 2014 consists of.

Ms. Henttonen also advised Council about a new service being offered by the LRCA for mapping. They will produce lot mapping as well as location mapping for such things as culverts. There would be an initial fee, plus an on-going levy for the service.

Councillor MacMaster questioned the level of responsibility for the use of the maps after production and for the integrity of the information contained on them. Ms. Henttonen replied that the maps are only as good as the information they receive when producing them.

Mayor Holland thanked Mr. Bailey and Ms. Henttonen for attending the meeting.

4.2 Robert Whiteside

Mr. Whiteside attended the meeting to provide an update on the new regulations from Ontario Power Authority regarding the hydroelectric standard offer program. These Regulations are in draft form at the current time with a comment period until the end of October.

Mr. Whiteside also provided information on a webinar that more fully explained municipal involvement in generation projects. Mr. Whiteside also provided information on limited partnerships.

Mayor Holland thanked Mr. Whiteside for attending the meeting.

## **5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

### **5.1 Resolution No. 2013- 184**

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

**THAT** the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on September 24, 2013 be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED.**

## **6. REPORTS FROM MUNICIPAL OFFICERS**

- 6.1 Road Superintendent's Report - not at this meeting  
- Landfill Report - filed
- 6.2 Fire Chief's Report – not at this meeting
- 6.3 Clerk's Report

The Clerk provided new information on the Forum North Safety Conference to be held in Thunder Bay. The following resolution was passed:

### **Resolution No. 2013 – 185**

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

**THAT** the following persons be approved to attend the Forum North Conference to be held on November 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> in Thunder Bay:

Councillor Arnold  
CAO/Clerk Maxwell  
Equipment Operator Mike Vialoux

**CARRIED.**

### **6.4 Councillor Reports**

Mayor Holland detailed his activities since the last meeting, including interviews for the Treasurer position, Business Expo meetings, Planning Board, Road Inspection and a meeting with True Grit and the successful contractor for the culvert replacement contract.

Councillor Arnold reviewed his report on the solid waste management initiative from the City of Thunder Bay. The City is considering becoming a regional recycling centre, where the outlying communities would participate in recycling at a centralized depot. Councillor Arnold also noted a Health and Safety meeting has been set for October 30<sup>th</sup>.

Councilor MacMaster noted that he felt the Road Inspection had been more productive this year and that Council should consider having the Road Superintendent submit an agenda for things he thinks Council should review, rather than just drive around the roads.

## **7. DISBURSEMENT LIST**

### **7.1 Disbursement List No 10A 2013**

**Resolution No. 2013-186**

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

**THAT** the accounts in the amount of \$109,108.17 as per Disbursement List No. 10A 2013 be approved for payment.

**CARRIED.**

7.2 Disbursement List No. 10AA 2013

**Resolution No. 2013-187**

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

**THAT** the accounts in the amount of \$430.30 as per Disbursement List No. 10AA 2013 be approved for payment.

Mayor Holland declared a conflict and left the room.

**CARRIED.**

**8.     UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

8.1 Bob Whiteside Proposal

Council discussed the proposal from Mr. Whiteside regarding a limited partnership in his hydroelectric generation project. Council decided that they would continue to support the project and enter into a lease agreement, but that they did not want to enter into a limited partnership.

8.2 Seal N Save Parking Lot – Problem with Invoicing

Council discussed the issue presented by the company that sealed the parking lot. The company is claiming that an error occurred in the calculation of the size of the parking lot, resulting in a \$600.00 difference in the cost. Council deferred this item until the next meeting when the Road Superintendent would be in attendance. The Clerk was directed to pay the original quote at this time.

8.3 Spaces in Parking Lot

Council discussed the spacing of the parking spaces in the parking lot. It appears that the south spaces will not have enough room to back out of the stalls. The Clerk was directed to contact the company to have the lines corrected.

8.4 MNP Progress Report – filed

**9.     NEW BUSINESS**

9.1 Date for Tabletop Exercise – Possible December 11, 2013

Council has agreed that December 11, 2013 at 6:30 would be acceptable for a tabletop exercise.

**Resolution No. 2013 – 188**

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

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

**CARRIED.**

9.2 By-law No. 1027 – Laura Bruni

**Resolution No. 2013 – 189**

**Moved by Councillor MacMaster**

**Seconded by Councillor Arnold**

**THAT** the Mayor and Clerk be authorized on behalf of the Township of Conmee to affix their signatures to By-law No. 1027, being a by-law to appoint a Treasurer/Deputy-Clerk.

**CARRIED.**

9.3 Infrastructure Funding Announcement

The Clerk presented information on the new infrastructure fund. The Province is calling for expressions of interest by November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013, and projects must be proven to be a priority as per the Asset Management Plan.

Council requested the Clerk to submit an Expression Of Interest for gravel on Hunt Road from Maxwell Road to Sovereign Road, which has been identified as priority one and two in the Asset Management Plan.

9.4 Attendance at Thunder Bay District Municipal League Conference – deferred.

9.5 Resignation Letter

**Resolution No. 2013 – 190**

**Moved by Councillor MacMaster**

**Seconded by Councillor Arnold**

**THAT** the resignation of Laura Simpson, Facilities Manager be accepted.

**CARRIED.**

The Clerk advised that an invitation had arrived to attend a NOHFC Reception in Thunder Bay on October 15, 2013 for an announcement from Minister Gravelle. The following resolution was passed:

**Resolution No. 2013 – 191**

**Moved by Councillor MacMaster**

**Seconded by Councillor Arnold**

**THAT** the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to attend the NOHFC reception to be held October 15, 2013.

**CARRIED.**

**10. CORRESPONDENCE**

10.1 Consultation on OPP Billing Model

10.2 New MIII Funding

10.3 Ontario Aggregate 2012 Annual Report

10.4 TBDHU 2012 Annual Report

10.5 Thank you from B & S MacMaster re Gala

10.6 LRCA Minutes – August 28, 2013

10.7 AMO Watch File – September 26, 2013

10.8 TBDHU Minutes – June 19, 2013

- 10.9 DSSAB – Minutes – July 25, 2013
- 10.10 DSSAB – Minutes – July 25, 2013 – Closed
- 10.11 DSSAB – Minutes – August 1, 2013
- 10.12 DSSAB – Minutes – August 1, 2013 - Closed

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

**Resolution No. 2013-192**

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

**THAT** we do now adjourn this meeting at 10:13 pm.  
**CARRIED.**

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Mayor

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Clerk