

Conmee *Community Newsletter*

January 2022

**Conmee
Municipal Office**
475-5229
conmee@conmee.com

Hours:
Monday— Friday
9 am—4 pm

**Conmee
Landfill**
Summer Hours
(May 14th—Oct. 15th)
Wed: 3 pm - 7 pm
Sat: 9 am - 3 pm

Winter Hours
(Oct 15th — May 14th)
Wed: 1 pm - 5 pm
Sat: 9 am - 3 pm

**Conmee
Public Works**
475-5337

Emergency Numbers
Non-Emergency OPP
1-888-310-1122
Emergency
(fire, medical, OPP)
911

HYDRO OUTAGES
1-800-434-1235

MTO Highway Concerns
Emcon 1-888-636-8704

SNOW PLOWING

It is important to remember that when plowing driveways that we adhere to the rules and proper procedures. Pushing the snow away from driveways and across the roadway can produce a safety hazard for driving passers by, as well as the Municipal and Provincial snowplows.

Pushing snow across the roads from your driveway is not only a safety hazard; it is also against the law.

The Ontario Traffic Act states:

No person shall deposit snow or ice on a roadway without permission in writing to do so from the Ministry or the road authority responsible for the maintenance of the road. R.S.O. 1990, c. H.8, s. 181.

Plowing snow on Municipal roads is also a major safety concern. Some roads in the Township are only open and maintained for the summer months. No person shall perform any work (including snow plowing or snow removal), remove any trees, soil or other material or erect upon or use any unopened road allowance without the specific written approval of the Township.

We thank you for your anticipated co-operation.

**Regular Council Meeting:
January 18th 6pm**

Location: Conmee Community Centre

In- person attendance currently restricted by COVID regulations.

Virtual attendance is encouraged.

Please see our website at conmee.com for further information.



**EXCERPTS FROM
MINUTES - REGULAR COUNCIL
MEETING
November 23rd 2021**

Previous minutes were approved.

The Clerk reported that applications have been received for both vacant positions of Assistant Facilities Manager and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Intern. Interviews and selection will be reported at next meeting.

Councillor Kivisto attended the Rural Cupboard Food Bank meeting.

Councillor Arnold provided brief summaries of two webinars he attended: Conservation Act, and IOES. He also attended a LRCA monthly meeting.

Councillor Maxwell attended meetings for the CNPHC and Conmee Social Committee.

The Deputy Fire Chief is scheduled to retire at the end of 2021. Succession planning is ongoing. The Fire Chief will work jointly with the Treasurer to develop a 10-yr plan for the purchasing of vehicles and equipment.

The Treasurer reviewed the 2021 Ontario Economic Outlook and Fiscal Review. There are key sections of the report that pertain to Property Tax, MPAC and municipalities. The report summarized the important sections and the forecasted impact of them for the Township of Conmee. Council requested the report be back at a later meeting for more discussion.

Council approved the 2022 meeting schedule. The Clerk was designated the Head for the purposes of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and delegate powers and duties.

Councillor MacMaster, Councillor Arnold and Clerk Lavallee were approved to attend the MTO virtual information session on excessive truck engine brake noise on December 6th 2021.

Councillor Arnold was approved to attend the OPP online Annual Billing Overview Webinar on November 25th 2021

The information is only a partial update from Council Meetings. Complete minutes are available for viewing at the municipal office and online.

2022 Council Meeting Schedule

- January 18th
- February 8th and 22nd
- March 8th and 22nd
- April 12th and 26th
- May 10th and 24th
- June 14th and 26th
- August 9th and 23rd
- Sept 13th and 27th
- Oct 11th and 25th
- November 8th
- November 15th (inaugural)

Nov 22nd

Dec 6th and 20th

Council meetings occur every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month unless otherwise noted.

Please visit www.conmee.com to see agendas, minutes, and more. If you do not have internet access, The Township office can print this information for you.

VOTE

October 24, 2022
is voting day for the
**Ontario Municipal and
School Board Elections.**

Register to vote – or confirm
you are already on the list –
at voterlookup.ca.

The Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) is responsible for compiling information from eligible Ontario voters to create a Preliminary List of Electors for municipal and school board elections.

To make sure you are on the list and your information is accurate, visit voterlookup.ca to register, confirm details and update any information that may not be current.

 MUNICIPAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENT CORPORATION | 



Gillies Community Centre 1835 HWY 595

BOOK SWAP!

**January 22 & 23
February 12 & 13**

11-5 PM DAILY • 1000'S OF BOOKS

\$\$\$ DONATIONS ENCOURAGED FOR THIS FREE EVENT!!
ALL PROCEEDS DIRECTLY SUPPORT THE GCC

*Masks, sign in and hand sanitization mandatory upon entry.

Gillies Community Centre Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, January 12 7:30pm via ZOOM

Contact us at: gilliescommunitycentre@gmail.com,
FB Message, or call 475-8834

BEFORE 7pm January 12th to receive the link

Everyone in the community with an interest in "keeping the doors open" is encouraged to attend!!

Gillies Community Centre is looking to re-open for regular and special programming; but relies exclusively on volunteers for programming and operations. Please consider committing to:

- Executive Council Position: 5 positions including President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer & Facilities Manager.
- Regular Programming: two positions including fundraising/grant writing & program/volunteer coordination.
- Operations: two positions including facility rentals & maintenance.

Or, simply volunteer for one or more of our Programmed events, because they won't exist without you!!
Please contact us for details & inquiries. Thank you!

Murillo Library

In-house service by
appointment
Wednesday 10:00 – 7:00
935-2729

Email:

oplibrary@tbaytel.net

Website:

<http://oliverpaipoonge.olsn.ca>

Rosslyn Library

In-house service
Tuesday 10:00 – 7:00
(limited capacity)
939-2312



Launching in early January 2022!

I'm pleased to announce that our Overdrive Ebook program will now include these new Canadian magazines:

Canadian Business, Chatelaine,
FASHION, Hello! Canada, Maclean's,
Ottawa, Today's Parents and Toronto Life.

Soon you will be able to access these
online magazines

By using your library card!

"Check out" nature at your library!

Imagine a library, what do you think of? The smell of paper, the sound of turning pages, and, of course, books.

Well, now when you think library, we want you to think Ontario Parks too!

You and your family can "check out" an Ontario Parks seasonal permit from Rosslyn and Murillo Library!
We want to make it easier for people to spend time in nature.

Our permit lending program has been expanded to participating libraries for 2022.

This means you can hit the library, and then hit up your favourite provincial park for the day!



Hymers Agricultural Society
NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given to all members, that the Annual Meeting of the Hymers Agricultural Society will be held online (Zoom Meeting) on Saturday, January 15, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. for the following purposes:

- TO RECEIVE REPORTS
- TO ELECT DIRECTORS TO APPOINT AUDITORS

Email info@hymersfair.com for the zoom link if you wish to attend.

By order of the Board of Directors
Debbie Hoover,
Secretary

Hymers Fair News

The Hymers Fair Winter Market was held on December 11 & 12 and was a great success! Thanks to all vendors and shoppers that came out to support local artisans. The Underground Gym and Grace Place were the charities that were given a helping hand with your kind donations. Coming in January:

WANT TO ADVERTISE?

Please contact the Municipal Office for deadlines. Advertise your business, event or happy ad in the next issue!

Rates for Residents:	Rates for Non-Residents:
Half Page: \$10.00	Half Page: \$20.00
Business Card: \$5.00	Business Card: \$10.00
"For Sale" Ads (business card size): \$2.50	

Maintenance Technician

Part Time 6 – 10 hours per month

Kay Bee Seniors Non-Profit Housing is seeking a Maintenance Technician (individual contractor) to oversee our preventative maintenance requirements. The position reports to the Property Manager and works in co operation with the property management team. Ideally the person filling the position has a considerable maintenance background and resides in the rural area. Looking for someone who is efficient, personable, self motivated, organized, reliable, a good problem solver and communicates well.

An overview of the position is as follows:

- Maintains the residential systems and equipment by following a predetermined preventative maintenance schedule.
- Inspects and improves the function and reliability of the facility systems. Identifies and recommends upgrades and/or additions.
- Maintains a record keeping system for all maintenance services performed, inventory, additions, changes and upgrades made to the premises.
- Responds quickly in the event of an emergency and follows safety protocol procedures
- Maintains a safe and healthy environment by following all standards and procedures and ensures compliance with legal codes and regulations.
- Perform other maintenance duties as requested by the property manager.

Submit application that includes resume, cover letter and desired rate of pay no later than **January 31, 2022.**

to: Kay Bee Seniors Non-Profit Housing Corp
12 Hill St, Kakabeka Falls ON POT 1W0
Attention: Jim Burke

OR

Via email: kbseniors@tbaytel.net

Emergency Management

How to Contact Hydro One

In case of a emergency or power outage you can reach us by calling one of our emergency number below.

HYDRO ONE POWER OUTAGE & EMERGENCY LINE

1-800-434-1235 - Use this number to report a power outage, fallen tree hazard or emergency (24 hours, 7 days a week).

FOR MORE INFORMATION

In the event of an emergency or power interruption we encourage you to take a moment to visit HydroOne.com, or follow Hydro One on Twitter to check power outages and safety information.

SIGN UP FOR OUTAGE ALERTS VIA TEXT OR EMAIL

Outage Alerts give you the information you need to plan around them. You'll also be able to report an outage by text! When you sign up to receive Outage Alerts by text or email, we'll let you know when the power is out, restoration updates throughout the power outage and once the power has been restored.





Keep fire safety in mind as temperatures drop!

The Conmee Volunteer Fire Department is urging everyone to keep fire safety in mind as the temperatures turn colder.

“We often see more home fires during the winter months due to heating equipment and appliances,” said Conmee Fire Chief Jason Fleck. “People need to pay close attention to potential fire hazards such as fireplaces, furnaces, chimneys and

vents, and space heaters.”

There are some simple things people can do to stay fire safe during the colder months:

Have all fuel-burning appliances inspected annually by a registered fuel contractor. Go to COSafety.ca to find a contractor near you.

Keep chimneys and intake/exhaust vents for furnaces and heating appliances free of debris, ice and snow accumulations to reduce the risk of carbon monoxide (CO) build-up from inefficient combustion.

Burn dry, well-seasoned wood in fireplaces and woodstoves to reduce the risk of excessive creosote

build-up in chimneys.

Allow ashes from your fireplace or woodstove to cool before emptying them into a metal container with a tight-fitting lid. Keep the container outside.

Keep space heaters at least one metre (3 feet) away from anything that can burn, including curtains, upholstery and clothing.

Replace worn or damaged electrical wires and connections on vehicles and extension cords and use the proper gauge extension cord for vehicle block heaters.

Consider using approved timers for vehicle block heaters rather than leaving heaters on all night.

Ensure that vehicles are not left running inside any garage or building.

Ensure there is a working smoke alarm on every storey and outside all sleeping areas of your home.

Install CO alarms to alert you to the presence of this deadly gas.

The Conmee Volunteer Fire Department reminds everyone that the Ontario Fire Code requires smoke alarms to be installed on every storey of your home and outside all sleeping areas. Carbon monoxide alarms are required outside all sleeping areas if the home has a fuel-burning appliance, a fireplace or an attached garage.

Be prepared.

Prepare your Family Emergency Survival Kit today!
Find out how.

www.ontario.ca/emo

Call 2-1-1 to find social,
health and government
services near you.



When you don't know
where to turn.

Make the Connection. Call 2-1-1

Free | Confidential | 24/7 | 150+ Languages | Live answer
www.211Ontario.ca | TTY: 1-888-340-1001



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RURAL CUPBOARD FOOD BANK

Neighbours Helping Neighbours

Conmee Municipal Complex

19 Holland Rd, Kakabeka Falls P0T1W0

807-285-0836

Next Food Bank

Wednesday, January 19, 2022

Registration 9 am to 11 am

We sincerely thank all those that continue to support us during COVID-19.

Your donations enable the food bank to remain open

Thank
You

The Rural Cupboard Food Bank would like to recognize the contributors that have so generously responded with funds and food for the Seniors, Singles and Couples Christmas initiative, the lunch program and general operations during the 2021 year.

- Kakabeka Falls School Fundraising Program (Fill a cup with cheer)
- Gorham and Ware Community Public School
- Crestview Public School
- Handicapped Action Group Incorporated (HAGI)
- Employees of Canada Revenue Agency
- Pinegrove United Church
- St. Augustine's Alter Society
- Zorya Ukranian Dance Ensemble
- ITech 2000
- Lucy Kloosterhuis
- Ron and Cheri Biloski
- Brian Dysievick Contracting Ltd
- Neening Firefighters Association
- TOPS
- Ontario Power Generation
- Evergreen Pharmacies (Rosslyn & Kakabeka Branches)

- And many individuals from the Rural Communities and the City of Thunder Bay

Every donation makes it possible to provide food to those in our communities that need assistance. We wish all a very safe and healthy 2022.