

**Conmee
Municipal Office**
475-5229
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Hours:
Monday— Friday
9 am—4 pm

**Conmee
Landfill**
Summer Hours
(May 15th—Oct. 14th)
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

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS 2022

COME OUT AND VOTE!!

**Advance Polls
Oct 22
10am – 4pm**

**VOTING DAY
OCT 24
10am — 8pm**

Upcoming Regular Council Meetings:

Oct 11th and Oct 25th - 6pm

Location: Conmee Community Centre
Virtual attendance is available.

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

**EXCERPTS FROM
MINUTES - REGULAR
COUNCIL MEETING
Aug 23rd 2022**

Minutes and reports from staff were received. Council approved office closures for Sept 27th 2022, Sept 28th 2022, and Nov 2nd 2022 so staff may attend training. The Treasurer intends to attend the annual MFOA (Municipal Finance Officers Association) conference in September. Council directed her to attend virtually in order to reduce costs. A draft Request For Proposal for audit services was reviewed by Council. An updated tax collection policy was also presented to Council for discussion. Mayor Maxwell reported her activities including the attendance on scene at the recent house fire on Wiljala Road. She discussed the 2021 audit progress with the current auditors, Grant Thornton. She also provided an update on the A/V system at the community centre. Councillor Arnold spoke about the upcoming Thunder Bay District Municipal League and Lakehead Regional Conservation Authority meetings that he plans to attend. Councillor MacMaster reported on his attendance at the Emergency Management Program Committee meeting. Council supported the resolution passed by the Town of Aylmer regarding Warming and Cooling Centre policy. Council received a letter from MPP Holland regarding a residential issue. The issue involved the four-way stop at Maxwell Road and Holland Road and speeding down Holland Road to the gravel pits. The constituent had witnessed dump trucks running through the stop signs, while

both loaded and unloaded. The dump trucks were also travelling at speeds well above the posted 50 kms/hour. The constituent asked that the Township of Conmee enforce the traffic laws. The office staff was directed to research and identify means and methods to further address the issue and explore potential solutions, including the designation of 'community safety zones'. Meetings shall be undertaken with the Ontario Provincial Police, the Lakehead Police Services Board, and other stakeholders.

**EXCERPTS FROM
MINUTES - REGULAR
COUNCIL MEETING
Sept 15th 2022**

Note: the meeting was originally scheduled for Sept 13th

Minutes and reports from staff were received. Council discussed Holland Rd W and the options to mitigate current issues. The Clerk and the Public Works Manager will review current maintenance standards, the road classification system and identify potential grants. A resident attended council chambers to present concerns. The resident voiced his concerns of public safety due to gravel trucks travelling during school bus hours. The staff was directed to research options for addressing the concerns. The Public Works Manager was directed to speak with the local gravel companies. Mayor Maxwell provided a summary of her activities. She attended the Conmee Social Committee which intends to review its structure, terms of reference, etc. Councillor Arnold attended a Conmee Volunteer Fire Department

training session and held a debriefing regarding the recent house fire. He attended the Thunder Bay District Social Services Administration Board meeting. He also attended the Lakehead Regional Conservation Authority board meeting and provided a copy of the proposed 2023 levy amounts. Council reviewed the draft Request for Proposals for Audit Services and found it acceptable. It was requested that the CAO/Clerk be included in all correspondence with the auditors. The Municipal Elections Act, 1996 (S.O. 1996, c. 32, as amended) requires every municipality to appoint a Compliance Audit Committee. This committee is tasked to review and make decisions on any complaints that it receives alleging that candidates have not abided by the financial rules associated with their campaigns. Council agreed to participate with other Lakehead Rural Municipal Coalition member municipalities in sharing staff for the purposes of a Compliance Audit Committee. Council reviewed the amendments and provided feedback. The "Operation of Municipal Office" policy will be brought back to the next council meeting for further discussion. Council strongly opposed the proposed reduction of Northern ridings and representatives. Councillor MacMaster attended the Lakehead Rural Planning Board meeting. The Community Economic Development Intern was directed to draft a letter outlining the benefits of inter-community public transit for the Public Transit Consultation being conducted by Infrastructure Canada. Council supported the resolution passed by the Town of Kingsville regarding its op-

position to Bill 3, Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act, 2022. Council supported the resolution passed by the Municipality of Brighton regarding Healthcare for Canadian Armed Forces .

This 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

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.

Audited Financial Statements

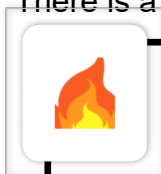
The 2020 audited financial statements are available for viewing on the website and the office. In accordance with the Municipal Act, the following is available at no cost to any taxpayer or resident of the Township of Conmee: a copy of the audited financial statements, the notes to the financial statements, the auditor's report and the tax rate information for the current and previous year as contained in the financial review

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS NEWS!!!

The Preliminary Voter's List is available at the Municipal Office. You may call 475-5229 to find out if your name is on the list. If it is not, you may fill out a form to take to the Polling Station to enable you to vote. Please don't assume that because you have been on prior lists you will be on this one. It seems that MPAC loses some voters every time. It will take approximately 5-10 minutes to fill out the form in order to vote. Please allow enough time to get your form on Election Day or Advance Voting Day.

There is a requirement to show the Deputy Returning Officer ID with your name and qualifying address on it. There is a list of

the acceptable forms of ID on the website or you can call the Municipal Office to confirm if your intended ID will qualify. If you do not bring acceptable ID, you will be required to fill out a form and take an oath. You may also stop by the Office prior to voting and get a copy of your tax bill.



BURN PERMITS

Don't forget to get a burn permit before you light a fire!

Burn Permits are required for open fire, brush fires and fireworks.

Burn permits are free and available at conmee.burnpermits.com or call the office at 475-5229 and they will issue you one!



LIST OF CERTIFIED CANDIDATES:

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR <i>Vote for ONE (1)</i>
Suzanne HUOT
Sheila MAXWELL

FOR OFFICE OF COUNCILLOR <i>Vote for FOUR (4)</i>
Grant ARNOLD
Ellen DAVIS
David HALVORSEN
Chris KRESACK
Gayle MANNIS
David MAXWELL

FOR THE OFFICE OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE PUBLIC TRUSTEE FOR THE LAKEHEAD DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD <i>Vote for EIGHT (8)</i>
Ellen CHAMBERS
Gary CHRISTIAN
Kelly FETTES
Ahsanul HABIB
Pat JOHANSEN
Gary JOHNSON
Donica LeBLANC
Ron OIKONEN
George SAARINEN
Paul David SEQUEIRA
Ryan SITCH
Trudy TUCHENHAGEN
Leah VANDERWEY

FOR THE OFFICE OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE SEPARATE TRUSTEE FOR THE THUNDER BAY CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD <i>Vote for SIX (6)</i>
Eleanor ASHE
Lawrence BADANAI
Anthony FOGLIA
Leanne FONSO
Gloria GABRIJELCIC
Dina McFARLANE
Matt PEARSON
Tony PUCCI
Tony ROMEO
Adam SHAEN
Francis VENERUZ

DECLARATION OF ACCLAMATION FOR THE OFFICE OF FRENCH LANGUAGE PUBLIC TRUSTEE FOR THE CONSEIL SCOLAIRE PUBLIC DU GRAND NORD DE L'ONTARIO	DECLARATION OF ACCLAMATION FOR THE OFFICE OF FRENCH LANGUAGE SEPARATE TRUSTEE FOR THE CONSEIL SCOLAIRE DE DISTRICT CATHOLIQUE DES AURORES BORÉALES
	Angèle DESBIENS
	Claudette GLEESON
	Elodie GRUNERUD
	Victoria MAURO
	Donald PELLETIER

Who can vote?

Anyone can vote in a municipal election who, on the day of the election, is:

- 18 years of age or older
- a Canadian citizen; and
- either a resident of the municipality or a property owner or tenant or the spouse or same sex partner of an owner or tenant in the municipality during a specified time just before the election.

SUZANNE HUOT

I have been a resident of this township for 39 years. I am asking for your support this election to be the next Mayor of our township.

I am trustworthy and knowledgeable. I have recently retired. I can offer you my undivided attention of concerns in our community. I have an array of experience in business, politics, and education.

I have a solid background to face continual new government initiatives. My work experience consists of Principal, Teacher, Power of Attorney, Small Business Accountant, Financial Administrator, Past President and Treasurer for various charitable organization, Councilor, Bank Teller, Field Office Clerk for the MTO and Advocate.

The first and most important job I will have is to serious look at our tax bill and work at reducing it. Some expenses are truly high (example: meetings) and can be easily curbed. This issue is driving people away. It must be addressed immediately.

We need to become a more welcoming township for all. We must help our elders and our younger families. Our disposal site needs TLC, as do our roads.

We need to promote and improve the benefits of living in our township for all residents. That is why we need to continue our participation in ROMA (Rural Ontario Municipal Association) as we lobby the government together. We also need to have frequent Round Table Gatherings to discuss issues that concern us.

I am asking for your vote on October 24th to make a difference in our township.

Vote
October
24/2022

- * infrastructure
- * advocating for the residents
- * We all dont fit the "one size fits all" category

Sheila
Maxwell
for
Mayor



Good Day to you.

My name is Grant Arnold

I am a 45 year resident of Conmee Twp. I am now retired, and I have served on the Conmee Twp. Council as Councillor for the past 10 years. I am a Board member of the Thunder Bay District Municipal League, Thunder Bay District Social Services Administration Board, and the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority.

My priority is to serve you, the rate payers, in a responsible fashion, being accountable for my decisions, trust worthy, honest, reliable, dependable and creditable, and to pursue all matters brought to the Council Table going forward in the 2022-2026 Term of Council if re-elected.

The Township has seen many major events during my tenure, with two 100 year storms, Covid 19 and its adverse effects with the loss of both Council and staff members. We pursued in a methodical manner and with the perseverance of Staff and Council, we succeeded, replacing vacancies, and resurfaced several roads with better quality aggregate, etc.

The priority this term will continue to improve the fire equipment, recruitment of members to the Fire Department, and access a new Fire Truck as like anything else, equipment gets old, parts are unavailable, and replacement is needed.

I ask for your support in the upcoming election, and vote responsibly.

Thank You

Councillor Grant Arnold



Ellen Davis

for

Conmee Council

"I will work with integrity, in the interest of the entire municipality for steady, fiscally responsible progress."

**Come out to the Municipal Complex
Monday, October 24, 2022
to Vote for the candidates of your choice.**

Gayle Manns

for Council
475-0803

Ready to listen
Ready to bring your concerns to
council



David Maxwell for **Councillor**

Committed to improving our infrastructure

Exploring government funding to offset taxes

Helping with future developments in our community

Together we can make a difference



Fire won't wait. Plan your escape.™



**FIRE
PREVENTION
WEEK™**

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OLDER ADULT SEMINAR SERIES SCHEDULE!

FREE! - ALL AGES ARE WELCOME

Please respond to deputyct@conmee.com or (807)475-5229

If we receive no interest 1 week prior to the event the topic will be cancelled 😞

If you are interested in virtual attendance please contact office

- Wednesday October 5th 1:00PM – Ontario Barn Preservation Presentation
- Thursday October 6th 1:00PM – Dying With Dignity Canada – Advanced Care-Planning
- Saturday October 8th 1:00PM – Older Adult Exercise Class
- Thursday October 13th 6:00PM – Dying With Dignity Canada – MAID Presentation
- Tuesday October 18th 1:00PM – Consumer Protection Ontario Presentation
- Thursday October 20th 6:00PM – Sharon Bak – PTSD Stories from the Edge
- Wednesday October 26th 1:00PM – Osteoporosis Canada Presentation (Bone Health)

Now that restrictions are lifted the Conmee Social Committee is looking forward to more events but WE NEED YOUR HELP! The Social Committee is looking for new members and volunteers.

Residents are encouraged to express their interest by contacting Nikita at the Office (807)475-5229 or by email: deputyct@conmee.com

If you'd like to get on an email list for upcoming events, please contact us as well!

Thank you and looking forward to seeing you at our next event!



COME FOR AN AFTERNOON OF MUSIC
AT THE KAKABEKA LEGION
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30TH, 2022

JUST 4 U

Jerry Ward, Rob Dowaniuk, Harold Zweep

Vince & Lois Lofts

2 P.M. to 4 P.M.

Dancing Welcomed

Intermission with Coffee

Cash Donation at Door

Proceeds to the Rural Cupboard Food Bank

Thanks to the Kakabeka Legion for Hosting this
Event

RURAL CUPBOARD FOOD BANK

Neighbours Helping Neighbours

Conmee Municipal Complex

19 Holland Rd, Kakabeka Falls P0T1W0

807-285-0836

Next Food Bank

Wednesday, October 19th 2022

Registration 9 am to 11 am

Drive-Thru Pick-Up

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

Your donations enable the food bank
to remain open

Waste Reduction Week / Circular Economy

For 20 years Waste Reduction Week in Canada has focused on the concepts of waste reduction and recycling as a key component of the transition to a circular economy. The Circular Innovation Council is extending Waste Reduction Week in Canada beyond the third week of October into Circular Economy Month to educate and excite Canadians about the opportunities and benefits of the circular economy. As always, the third week of October is Waste Reduction Week in Canada. Daily program themes related to specific waste streams and the waste reduction component of a circular economy will be introduced including videos and information on what you can do to help reduce the amount of waste going to our municipal landfill sites. The remainder of the month will focus on introducing the concept of a circular economy and amplifying its broader social, environmental, and economic benefits, communicating a different theme each week. Get the details here: <https://wrwcanada.com/en>



LAND AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT

Our mission is to provide land owners with the tools, resources and knowledge for the land and wildlife managed.

SERVICES

Trail Design
& Build

Food Plots

Pasture
Restoration

Garden Tilling

ATV Discing,
Cultipacking
& Spreading
Services

Rural Property, Camp/Cottage
Snow Removal, Salting & Sanding

Trail Grooming & Maintenance

Building Supply Transportation

Brush Saw, Chainsaw & Pole Saw

Tractor; Bucket, Backhoe with
Mechanical Thumb, Post Hole
Auger, Disc Harrow, Rotary Cutter
& Spreader

JEREMY INNANEN

(807) 621-7219

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WANT TO ADVERTISE?

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

Rates for Residents:

Half Page: \$10.00

Business Card: \$5.00

Rates for Non-Residents:

Half Page: \$20.00

Business Card: \$10.00

"For Sale" Ads

(business card size): \$2.50

FAMILY HALLOWEEN DANCE PARTY!

**Saturday
OCTOBER**

**29th
5:00 - 8:00pm**

**Gillies
Community
Centre
1835 HWY 595**

**Admission 5\$ per
Family
*CASH ONLY EVENT***

PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST!

*** MUST BE ALREADY CARVED***

BATTERY OPERATED CANDLES ONLY

MUSIC! GAMES!

PRIZES! FUN!



**THE KITCHEN WILL BE OPEN
SERVING FOOD, BEVERAGES &
OTHER TASTY TREATS!**

ADULT ACCOMPANIMENT REQUIRED

**Please save your SCARY
costumes for another night**

Find us on Facebook for more info!

**CHILDREN'S
HALLOWEEN
party**

Saturday, October, 28, 2022
from 10am to 2pm
Conmee Municipal Complex 19
Holland Rd, West

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

**CRAFTS
TREATS
PHOTO BOOTH**

**DONATIONS FOR THE
RCFB FOOD BANK
ALWAYS WELCOME**

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SOCIAL COMMITTEE**

Gillies Community Centre

Yoga with Krista Session 2

OCT 5, 12, 19 & 26 Exchange: 44\$

email: krista.bannan@gmail.com

Playgroup! Tuesday's 9:30-12pm

Waldorf Parent and Tot Teachings

Join Melanie on October 14 from 10-12pm for this teaching program through storytelling & songs/circle. By donation for cost of materials. Email melkaltbach@gmail.com

BOOK SWAP

October 15 & 16, 11-5pm daily

Donation\$ encouraged for this FREE EVENT

Exercise Group

Self directed - BYO mats, weights etc.
Thursday's 9-10am Oct 13-Dec 15 5\$/wk

GCC Board Meeting

Wed. Nov. 7 @7pm- EVERYONE WELCOME!

Family Halloween Dance Party!

Sat. Oct. 29 5-8pm, 5\$/family

See our poster or Facebook for details!

More info on all events on our Facebook Page
Call 475-8834 for rental & other inquiries



Contacting the OPP

The Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) are contracted by the municipality to provide services to ensure the safety and security of our residents. You can help keep our community safe by keeping the police informed. Did you know that the OPP have different ways you can inform them of incidents in our area?

For emergency events call 9-1-1.

For non-emergency events you can either:

- Call the 24-hour toll-free number at 1-888-310-1122;
- Call the detachment at 807-939-2133; or
- File a report online at <https://www.opp.ca/index.php?id=132>

Council would like to encourage residents to contact the OPP as things occur. Some laws are difficult to enforce when reported days after the offence has occurred.