

# MINUTES - REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING June 27th, 2023 – 6:00 pm

PRESENT: Mayor Sheila Maxwell

Councillor David Maxwell Councillor Chris Kresack Councillor Grant Arnold

ALSO PRESENT: Shara Lavallee, CAO/Clerk

Len Arps, Public Works Manager

**REGRETS:** 

Councillor David Halvorsen

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

## 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO 2023-0127 Moved by: Councillor Kresack Seconded by: Councillor Maxwell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda for the regular council meeting of June 27th 2023 be approved as amended

#### **CARRIED**

#### 3. <u>DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST</u>

None

#### 4. DEPUTATIONS

4.1 Northwestern Ontario Military and Police Museum

Two board members – presentation regarding property taxes and fees

Gayle Manns and one other board member presented a deputation to Council regarding the property taxes and fees incurred by the museum.

Clerk	
Mayor	

Council directed administration to provide a report on the possibility of:

- a) Providing the museum with 100% charity tax rebate on property taxes
- b) Not requiring building permits or fees for the installation of concrete pads used to store vehicles.

#### 5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

5.1. Minutes – Regular Council Meeting – June 13th 2023

#### **RESOLUTION NO 2023-0128**

Moved by: Councillor Kresack Seconded by: Councillor Maxwell

BE IT RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on June 13th 2023 be approved

# **CARRIED**

- 6. DISBURSEMENT LIST
  - 6.1 Payroll Report
  - 6.2 Payment Register

#### **RESOLUTION NO 2023-0129**

Moved by: Councillor Kresack Seconded by: Councillor Arnold

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the disbursements represented by Check Numbers 6445 through 6478 and by direct deposits, totalling \$44,660.01

#### **CARRIED**

#### 7. <u>REPORTS FROM MUNICIPAL OFFICERS</u>

- 7.1. Clerk's Report
- 7.2. Public Works Report

Holland Rd W was rehabilitated with 5/8" crushed gravel. Calcium for the roads scheduled next week. An unknown vehicle has been leaving donuts in the intersection of Holland Rd W and Maxwell Rd.

Public Works Manager left at 6:58 p.m.

7.3. Fire Chief Report Not present

Clerk	
Mayor	

#### 7.4. Councillor Reports

Mayor Maxwell attended OFM training, Hiring Committee meetings, EMO training, and assisted in the office.

Councillor Arnold attended the AMCTO awards presentation. He also attended the TBDHU monthly meeting.

Councillor Maxwell attended EMO training, TBDML meeting, and Hiring Committee meetings.

Councillor Kresack attended the monthly Food Bank meeting and EMO training.

7.5. Other agencies report Received for information.

#### 8 NEW BUSINESS

8.1. Review of Bylaw 1002 – establishing and regulating Emergency Services

Council approved the Clerk's recommendation that a review be conducted of Bylaw 1002 to ensure compliance with law and community needs.

8.2. Community Risk Assessments

Council approved the Clerk's recommendation that an ad-hoc committee be established to ensure the completion of the Community Risk Assessment by the deadline of July 1st 2024.

#### 9 BY-LAWS

9.1 By-Law 1401 – amend Bylaw 1360 - appointments

# **RESOLUTION NO 2023-0130**

Moved by: Councillor Kresack Seconded by: Councillor Arnold

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 1401 be passed;

AND, FURTHER, THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized on behalf of the Township of Conmee to affix their signatures to By-law No. 1401, being a By-law to amend Bylaw 1360

Clerk	
Mayor	

# 10 CORRESPONDENCE

10.1	AMCTO – E.A. Danby Award
10.2	LRCA – comments regarding intention to request MZO
10.3	MNRF – streamlining approvals
10.4	MNRF – notice of completion – NWORTA
10.5	OFMEM – notice of public consultation on Ontario Fire Code
10.6	Township of O'Connor – invitation to participate in joint tabletop exercise
	Councillor Arnold was interested in attending. The Clerk will inform the
	Township of O'Connor about the interest.
10.7	Cambridge – resolution regarding HTA amendments

#### **RESOLUTION NO 2023-0131**

Moved by: Councillor Kresack Seconded by: Councillor Maxwell

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Conmee supports the resolution passed by the City of Cambridge regarding the Highway Traffic Act AND THAT this resolution be forwarded to Ontario Ministry of Transportation, the Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MPP Kevin Holland (Thunder Bay – Atikokan) and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario

#### **CARRIED**

10.8 FONOM – resolution regarding Bail Reform

# RESOLUTION NO 2023-0132 Moved by: Councillor Arnold Seconded by: Councillor Maxwell

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Conmee supports the resolution passed by the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities regarding Bail Reform

AND THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister, Federal Justice Minister, Premier of Ontario, The Attorney General, the Solicitor General, Minister of Infrastructure, Minister of Municipal Affairs, Northeastern MPs and MPPs, Leaders of the Opposition, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities.

Clerk	
Mayor	

#### **RESOLUTION NO 2023-0133**

Moved by: Councillor Kresack Seconded by: Councillor Maxwell

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Conmee supports the resolution passed by Lanark County regarding Bill C-321

AND THAT this resolution be forwarded to Lanark County and the Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada

#### CARRIED

10.10 NOMA – resolution regarding caribou

#### **RESOLUTION NO 2023-0134**

Moved by: Councillor Seconded by: Councillor

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Conmee supports the letter passed by NOMA regarding Boreal Caribou Protection Order in Ontario Concerns

AND THAT this resolution be forwarded to NOMA and the Minister of Environment Canada

#### **CARRIED**

10.11 North Perth – resolution regarding school bus cameras

# **RESOLUTION NO 2023-0135**

Moved by: Councillor Maxwell Seconded by: Councillor Kresack

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Conmee supports the resolution passed by the Municipality of North Perth regarding School Bus Stop Arm Cameras

AND THAT this resolution be forwarded to Premier Ford, Attorney General Doug Downey, Minister of Education Stephen Lecce, MPP Kevin Holland, and AMO

Clerk	
Mayor	

# RESOLUTION NO 2023-0136 Moved by: Councillor Arnold

**Seconded by: Councillor Maxwell** 

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Conmee supports the resolution passed by the City of Quinte West regarding "renovictions"

AND THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Hon. Steve Clerk, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MPP Kevin Holland, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)

#### **CARRIED**

10.13 Tweed – resolution regarding hydro/bell infrastructure

# RESOLUTION NO 2023-0137 Moved by: Councillor Arnold Seconded by: Councillor Maxwell

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Conmee supports the resolution passed by the Municipality of Tweed regarding Bell-Hydro Infrastructure

AND THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), MPP Kevin Holland, Bell Canada, and Hydro One.

#### **CARRIED**

10.14 Other Correspondence Received for information

#### 11 UPCOMING MEETING DATES

July 11 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	Regular Council Meeting
July 25 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	Regular Council Meeting
Aug 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	Regular Council Meeting
Aug 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2023	Regular Council Meeting
Sept 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	Regular Council Meeting
Sept 26 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	Regular Council Meeting
Oct 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	Regular Council Meeting
Oct 24 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	Regular Council Meeting

Clerk \_\_\_\_ Mayor

#### 12 CLOSED SESSION

# RESOLUTION NO 2023-0138 Moved by: Councillor Kresack Seconded by: Councillor Arnold

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the time being 7:55 p.m., Council resolve into closed session, under the authority of paragraph 239(2)(b), (c), and (d) of the Municipal Act, 2001 to discuss Item 12.2 regarding identifiable individuals and labour relations; and Proposed or pending disposition of Land

And under the authority of those paragraphs of the Municipal Act, 2001 for which they were authorized to be closed, to review the minutes of the closed session of the meeting of June 13th 2023

#### **CARRIED**

- 12.1 Closed Minutes May 23rd 2023
- 12.2 Property Disposition

#### **RESOLUTION NO 2023-0139**

Moved by: Councillor Kresack Seconded by: Councillor Maxwell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the time being 7:55 p.m., Council rise from closed session and report in open session

AND THAT the Closed Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on June 13th 2023 be approved

Clerk	
Mayor	

# 13 CONFIRMING BY-LAW

13.1 By-law 1402 – To Confirm the Proceedings of the Meeting

RESOLUTION NO 2023-0140 Moved by: Councillor Kresack Seconded by: Councillor Maxwell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 1402 be passed;

AND, FURTHER, THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized on behalf of the Township of Conmee to affix their signatures to By-law No. 1402, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of this evening's meeting.

**CARRIED** 

## 14 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting is adjourned at 8:49 p.m.	
	Sheila Maxwell, Mayor
	Shara Lavallee, CAO/Clerk