

TOWNSHIP OF O'CONNOR – MINUTES – AUGUST 9, 2010

Minutes of the meeting held on August 9, 2010 at 7 p.m. in the municipal building.

Present: Councillors: Garbutt, Nygard, Racicot
Clerk-Treasurer Buob

Visitors: Leadhand, Kelly Johnson

Acting Mayor Racicot called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m..

Disclosure of pecuniary interest and general nature thereof: none

1. Moved by Lee Ann Nygard
Seconded by G. Garbutt

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, JULY 12, 2010 AND THE NOTES FROM THE O'CONNOR DAY PLANNING MEETING HELD ON JULY 26, 2010 BE ACCEPTED AS PRINTED.

Carried

2. Moved by G. Garbutt
Seconded by Lee Ann Nygard

THAT MAYOR NELSON AND COUNCILLOR VEZINA BE MARKED ABSENT FOR WORK.

Carried

Mr. Johnson was asked if he wished to address Council on any personal matters and he replied no.

Mr. Johnson, Leadhand was then welcomed to the table. Timesheets for June 27 to July 10, 2010, July 11 to 24, 2010 and July 25 to August 7, 2010 were read.

Roadwork in general was discussed. Mr. Johnson was asked if he has been able to find enough jobs for the students to do. They have but most of the jobs require that one of the employees work with them. The students are here until August 20th. The new grader was picked up today and was on display in the yard for Council to see. They still have to try it out but it has been very dry so they would like to wait for rain.

The sink in the basement kitchen has been ripped out, the floor underneath has been fixed and will be tiled. The taps have been ordered and it should be ready for use by O'Connor Day.

Mr. Johnson asked Council about the work that has to be done on the rink shack. Council would like Mr. Johnson to speak to Councillor Vezina with regard to the door installation.

The brush in the ditch along the highway by the disposal site was discussed. Council asked Mr. Johnson to clear back the brush for better visibility. Mr. Johnson will get this done this week. It was also noted that the highway curve sign disrupts the drivers view when exiting the site.

Mr. Johnson was thanked for attending.

The bills to be paid were passed around the table. It was

3. Moved by Lee Ann Nygard
Seconded by G. Garbutt

THAT THE ADMINISTRATION AND ROADS VOUCHER FOR JULY 31, 2010 TOTALLING \$112,696.70 BE APPROVED AND PAID.

Carried

The Statement of Revenue and Expenditure to June 30, 2010 were reviewed.

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By-laws to be passed were reviewed and it was

4. Moved by Lee Ann Nygard
Seconded by G. Garbutt

THAT BY-LAW NUMBER 2010-18 BEING A BY-LAW TO APPOINT A JOINT COMPLIANCE AUDIT COMMITTEE BE PASSED AND ENTERED IN THE BY-LAW BOOK.

Carried

5. Moved by Lee Ann Nygard
Seconded by G. Garbutt

THAT BY-LAW NUMBER 2010-19 BEING A BY-LAW TO AUTHORIZE THE BORROWING OF MONIES BE PASSED AND ENTERED IN THE BY-LAW BOOK.

Carried

6. Moved by G. Garbutt
Seconded by Lee Ann Nygard

THAT BY-LAW NUMBER 2010-20 BEING A BY-LAW TO AUTHORIZE THE BORROWING OF MONIES BE PASSED AND ENTERED IN THE BY-LAW BOOK.

Carried

The Clerk-Treasurer reported that to have two separate loans, one for each piece of equipment, the bank requires two separate by-laws.

Resolutions for endorsement were read as follows:

- a) Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association regarding changes to 2011 Census was filed.
- b) Township of Malahide regarding HST – Gasoline and Diesel Fuel was filed.
- c) Municipality of Central Huron requesting the government increase grants to fund the costs resulting from HST impact on all funding agreements in place was filed.
- d) Land Use Council – Monitoring the Conservation Ontario Corporation was filed.
- e) CUPE regarding Child Care Worker & Early Childhood Educator Appreciation Day was filed.

A copy of the letter sent to the Honourable Tony Clement, Minister of Industry Canada, from the District of Thunder Bay Social Services Administration Board with regard to the Long Form Census Questionnaire was read.

With regard to the DSSAB it was noted that we have not received a DSSAB report from our representative as requested.

Correspondence were read as follows:

- a) Thunder Bay Area Emergency Measures Organization – Quarterly Highlights – April to June 2010. It was suggested that possibly a meeting with the heads of Council with regard to the Emergency Measures Organization could be held during the upcoming Thunder Bay Regional Conference in September. The Clerk-Treasurer will contact Mr. Coupland with the suggestion.
- b) Thunder Bay Detachment 2010 Business Plan
- c) AMO – i) Watch File – July 15, 2010
ii) Watch File – July 22, 2010
iii) Watch File – July 29, 2010
iv) Watch File – August 5, 2010
v) Copy of letter to the Premier re: Waste Diversion Act
vi) AMO Strongly Supports Province's Commitment to Waste Diversion
vii) Ontario's Environmental Commissioner Delivers Straight Talk on Waste Diversion
viii) AMO Report to Members on June 2010 Board Meeting
- d) Stewardship Ontario – i) regarding the Elimination of consumer eco fees
ii) Industry funding for Municipal Blue Box Recycling for 2010 Program Year. It was noted that the Home Depot in Thunder Bay will take back used paint, (no spray paint or empty cans), batteries and compact fluorescent lights. This information will be put

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in the next issues of the Cornerstone.

- e) Continuous Improvement Fund re: CIF Connections, July 2010: REOI Project Updates
 - f) Township of Dorion – regarding the passing of Reeve Linda Tolmonen
 - g) Canadian Wind Energy Association – regarding the Ipsos Reid poll: Support for wind energy in Ontario.
 - h) Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services – Invitation to participate in Emergency Management Enterprise Solution (EMES) Working Groups. No one will participate.
 - i) Citizenship and Immigration Canada – regarding the Changes to the Multiculturalism Program
 - j) Ontario Good Roads Association – regarding the Minimum Maintenance Standards (MMS) Litigation fund
- The balance of correspondence was passed around the table.

Under Old Business, Council discussed

- a) O'Connor Day update – The coolers in the rink shack have been checked by the Fridge Doctor. He said that the orange cooler is okay for beer but not food. Councillor Racicot will have someone come and take a look at the orifices on the deep fryers, the poles in the paintball area have been installed as requested. The scaffolding has not yet been booked. The clown has been confirmed.
- b) Northwestern Ontario Regional Conference – Sept 29 to Oct 1 – Attendance was discussed and it was

- 7. Moved by G. Garbutt
Seconded by Lee Ann Nygard

**THAT THE FOLLOWING PERSON/S ATTEND THE 28TH ANNUAL NORTHWESTERN ONTARIO REGIONAL CONFERENCE TO BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 29, 30 AND OCTOBER 1, 2010 AT THE TRAVELODGE HOTEL AIRLANE AND VAHALLA INN IN THUNDER BAY, ONTARIO.
REGISTRATION: \$200 PER PERSON
MAYOR NELSON
COUNCILLOR GARBUTT, RACICOT, VEZINA
CLERK-TREASURER BUOB**

Carried

- c) Fire Con 2010 – Municipal Delegates session September 18 was discussed and it was

- 8. Moved by Lee Ann Nygard
Seconded by G. Garbutt

**THAT THE FOLLOWING PERSON/S ATTEND THE 2010 FIRE CON FOR MUNICIPAL DELEGATES TO BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 18, 2010 IN THUNDER BAY, ONTARIO.
REGISTRATION: \$113 PER PERSON
COUNCILLOR GARBUTT, VEZINA**

Carried

- d) Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing – Five Year Review of the Provincial Policy Statement, 2005. Deadline to provide feedback is August 31, 2010. At this time Council do not have any comments.
- e) Ministry of Northern Development, Mines and Forestry – regarding Funding Awareness Forum to be held on Tuesday, August 24, 2010 in Thunder Bay. It was

- 9. Moved by Lee Ann Nygard
Seconded by G. Garbutt

**THAT THE FOLLOWING PERSON/S ATTEND THE FUNDING AWARENESS FORUM TO BE HELD ON AUGUST 24, 2010 IN THUNDER BAY.
REGISTRATION: NO FEE
DEPUTY CLERK-TREASURER RACICOT**

Carried

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Under further old business Council would like the Clerk-Treasurer to look into whether or not the funding that the Township received a couple of years ago for gravel resurfacing is again available for this purpose.

Under New Business, Council discussed

a) AMCTO – Dangerous Dogs Legislation a refresher course – webinar. It was

10. Moved by Lee Ann Nygard
Seconded by G. Garbutt

THAT THE FOLLOWING PERSON/S ATTEND THE DANGEROUS DOGS LEGISLATION A REFRESHER COURSE TO BE HELD BY THREE WEBINARS.

REGISTRATION: \$186.45 FOR ALL

CLERK-TREASURER BUOB

DOG CONTROL OFFICER BECKY DAVIS

Carried

- b) Ornge - Regarding the Official Opening of Canada's First Transport Medicine Centre of Excellence. Mayor Nelson will be contacted to see if he can attend.
- c) The Northern Ontario Heritage Fund's – Infrastructure and Community Development Program. Council would like Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Racicot to see if an addition to the fire hall would be covered through this funding at the Funding Awareness Forum.
- d) Ministry of Northern Development Mines and Forestry regarding Community Development Program, Building Rural and Northern Partnerships.
- e) City of Thunder Bay – Offering to host Northwestern Ontario Municipalities websites. Council feel the Township's current website is okay at this time.
- f) Ministry of Transportation – Public Information Centres regarding Route Planning Study - Highway 11/17 between Kakabeka Falls and Shabaqua Corners. Public Meetings are being held on August 11 and 12, 2010. Council will not attend these meetings however if the Township of Conmee needs their assistance in this matter they will support them.
- g) NOMA – input request - invitation to participate in an infrastructure consultation. The Clerk-Treasurer will forward the questions to Council and request comments by the deadline of August 20th. The responses will then be forwarded to NOMA.

Issues brought forward or letters received after agenda was mailed

- a) NOMA – Media Release regarding “Open for Business Act” and the affects that it will have on the struggling forest sector was read.
- b) Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing – Shannon Smith – regarding an update from the Planning Section of the NW Municipal Services Office
- c) Sale of Fire Truck. Councillor Racicot has been in contact with the CEO of Pays Plat First Nations with regard to our fire truck. They may be interested in purchasing it and would like to come out and take a look. Arrangements will be made with Fire Chief Mattas to show the truck to them.

For information purposes a building permit was approved for 97 Garbutt road for renovation and a deck for a mobile home.

11. Moved by Lee Ann Nygard
Seconded by G. Garbutt

THAT THE MEETING ADJOURN TO THE O'CONNOR DAY PLANNING MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 23, 2010 AT 7:00 P.M. TIME BEING: 8:45 P.M.

Carried

Mayor

Clerk-Treasurer