

TOWNSHIP OF O'CONNOR – MINUTES – DECEMBER 3, 2012

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, December 3, 2012 at 7 p.m. in the Council chambers.

Present: Councillors: Garbutt, Loan, Racicot, Vezina
Clerk-Treasurer Buob

Visitors: Kelly Johnson, Leadhand

Absent: Mayor Nelson

Acting Mayor Vezina called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m..

Disclosure of pecuniary interest and general nature thereof: none

1. Moved by Bishop Racicot
Seconded by B. J. Loan

THAT THE MINUTES FROM THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2012 BE ACCEPTED AS PRINTED.

Carried

Acting Mayor Vezina asked Mr. Johnson if he wished to address Council on any personal matter and he replied no.

Mr. Johnson, Leadhand, was welcomed to the table.

The Monthly Road Department Report from November 12 to December 3, 2012 was read. Mr. Johnson reported the new box is mounted on Truck #7 and all safety issues have been installed, however the side boards and the tarp still have to be put on. He has taken the old truck box in to the scrap metal yard.

Information with regard to the replacement of Bridge #5 on Broome road through the new Ministry of Infrastructure funding was discussed. The different options for replacement and the estimated costs involved were also discussed. It was

2. Moved by B. J. Loan
Seconded by G. Garbutt

THAT THE TOWNSHIP OF O'CONNOR SUBMIT AN EXPRESSION OF INTEREST TO THE MINISTRY OF INFRASTRUCTURE FOR FUNDING THROUGH THE MUNICIPAL INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT INITIATIVE CAPITAL PROGRAM FOR REPLACEMENT OF BRIDGE #5 ON BROOME ROAD. THE AMOUNT TO BE REQUESTED WILL BE DECIDED ONCE AN ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES IS DETERMINED.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST TO BE SUBMITTED BY JANUARY 9, 2013.

Carried

The Ontario Good Roads Association combined Conference to be held in Toronto on February 24 to 27, 2013 was discussed. Mr. Johnson would like to see an agenda before deciding if he would like to attend. This information will be brought back to the table once the agenda has been released.

Mr. Johnson brought up the recent winter weather and the need to come in on the weekend and the calling in of employees. As this matter would have to mention personal information about identifiable individuals, it was agreed to move item 18 a) up on the agenda to discuss now with Mr. Johnson. It was

3. Moved by Bishop Racicot
Seconded by G. Garbutt

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE NEXT PORTION OF THE MEETING BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC IN ORDER TO DISCUSS A PERSONAL MATTER ABOUT AN IDENTIFIABLE INDIVIDUAL, INCLUDING MUNICIPAL OR LOCAL BOARD EMPLOYEES PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION 239(2)(E) OF THE MUNICIPAL ACT, 2011.

TIME BEING: 7:27 P.M.

Carried

The job description of the Equipment Operator #1 was reviewed as well as the availability of the current casual employees.

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4. Moved by B. J. Loan
Seconded by G. Garbutt

TIME BEING: 8:05 P.M.

THAT WE NOW MOVE TO OPEN MEETING.

Carried

Mr. Johnson asked about the old attendant trailer at the disposal site and asked if Council would like to get rid of it as he has had an enquiry about it. Council will discuss this further at a later meeting.

Mr. Johnson was thanked for attending.

The administration and roads voucher to November 30, 2012 was reviewed and it was

5. Moved by Bishop Racicot
Seconded by B. J. Loan

**THAT THE ADMINISTRATION AND ROADS VOUCHER FOR NOVEMBER 30, 2012
TOTALLING \$96,451.70 BE APPROVED AND PAID.**

Carried

Correspondence was read as follows:

- a) Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Watch File for November 29, 2012.

The balance of the correspondence was passed around the table.

Under Old Business, Council discussed

- a) Information on a scrap metal program offered by Lakehead Scrap Metal was again reviewed. The Township of Gillies has entered into an agreement with Lakehead Scrap for this service and has provided a copy of the agreement they have with them for our review. The Clerk-Treasurer has confirmed with the Township of Gillies that their program is working well. Council would like the Clerk-Treasurer to verify and get more details on the program, such as who actually puts the material in the bins and how do they control that only metals are placed in the bin so that there is no contamination.

Under New Business, Council discussed

- a) A Hydro One Green Energy Act Retrofit Program Incentive. The program will pay for up to 50% of an energy audit. As the Township has previous had an energy audit done it was agreed not to apply for this funding.
b) Charles Tilden – Better Ballots regarding Local Choice Campaign and pushing for enabling legislation that will provide for more options for local reform. This item was filed.

Issues brought forward or letters received after the agenda was mailed were discussed as follows:

- a) The Ontario Ministry of Infrastructure MIII Asset Management Program Grant Allocation was announced. The Township of O'Connor will receive \$20,458.20.
b) Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) forwarding information with regard to the LAS Energy Consulting Services which are now available in Northwestern Ontario for free. Ms. Cheryl Maki, the Energy Efficiency Service Provider will be contacted to see what they can offer for our Township.

6. Moved by G. Garbutt
Seconded by B. J. Loan

**THAT THE MEETING ADJOURN TO THE SHARED SERVICES – FIRE DEPARTMENT
MEETING TO BE HELD AT THE CONMEE COMMUNITY CENTRE ON TUESDAY,
DECEMBER 4, 2012 AT 7:00 P.M.**

TIME BEING: 8:30 P.M.

Carried

Mayor

Clerk-Treasurer