

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STRONG
COUNCIL MEETING – NOVEMBER 28TH 2006**

Held at the Township office at 5:30 pm

Attending: Mayor Stephen R. Rawn
Council: Scott McLaren; Chris Ellis; Sally Harper; John Newstead.
Guests: Carl Ramsberger – Culvert and Drainage; Brant Cook – Severance conditions.
Staff: David Pringle – monthly report

Chris Ellis – John Newstead

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby adopt the minutes of meetings as circulated:

- Council meeting November 14th 2006
- Central Almaguin Economic Development agenda for the Dec. 13th meeting
- Sundridge Strong Union Public Library Board meeting Oct.19.06
- Central Almaguin Planning Board meeting of Nov. 15. 06
- Steering Committee meeting of Oct.26.06

Carried

Scott McLaren – John Newstead

Be it resolved that this council does hereby approve payment of the following accounts:

Village of Sundridge – Recreation Budget \$3265.69; Fire Dept budget \$80,698.54

Carried

Sally Harper – Chris Ellis

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby approve Minutes of Settlement from MPAC Roll 8-10-2 \$54, to 42.5 – 2005 – 32; Roll 6-11-02 \$12,3 to 1,900; 2005 1,800 & MTO 9900 EXEMPT

Carried

The clerk confirmed the results of the recount dated Nov.22.06 as being the same as the November 13th results.

Scott McLaren – Sally Harper

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby accept the quote for the Township Liability Policy renewal in the amount of \$40,655 plus PST

Carried

Chris Ellis – John Newstead

Whereas the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) intends to widen King's Highway No 11 through the Township of Strong to four lanes; AND WHEREAS the Township of Strong has requested, and MTO has agreed, to reconstruct and upgrade a portion of three municipal roads mentioned below in order to address concerns about changes in the traffic patterns on these municipal roads due to the widening of King's Highway #11 AND WHEREAS it is proposed to reconstruct and upgrade the following portions of the following municipal roads: 1. Muskoka Rd from Pevensey Rd Northerly 1.2 km to South Bernard Lake Rd; 2. Valleyview Rd from Muskoka Rd westerly 0.55 km and, 3. Muskoka Rd from Valleyview Rd northerly for 0.6km;

AND WHEREAS MTO will be required to acquire additional lands in order to reconstruct and upgrade the municipal roads on behalf of the municipality to the current municipal road standards for such roads, having regard to the potential changes in traffic patterns and need for better sightlines. AND WHEREAS MTO has advised that before MTO can arrange for the reconstruction and upgrading of the municipal roads, it would appreciate a resolution from the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Strong that the Council supports and agrees to upgrading of the municipal roads. NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Strong supports and agrees to MTO reconstructing and upgrading those portions of the municipal roads described above and directs municipal staff to assist MTO and to take such actions as may be helpful to MTO for this project. AND FURTHERMORE, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Strong agrees to accept ownership of any additional lands required for the municipal roads and will accept such lands within its jurisdiction of roads upon completion of the road reconstruction and upgrades. AND FURTHERMORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Strong acknowledges and agrees to support MTO in the acquisition of lands by purchase or expropriation required for the reconstruction or upgrading of the aforementioned municipal road upgrades in the Township of Strong.

Carried

Scott McLaren – Sally Harper

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby authorize the Mayor (Stephen Rawn) and Chair for the Emergency Management Program Committee (Chris Ellis) to sign the Annual Emergency Management Program Statement of Completion along with CEMC – Kevin Minor.

Carried

Chris Ellis – John Newstead

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby accept the quote from Almaguin News/Almaguin Forester for the 2007 Township tendering for subscriptions; website Link; Council meetings; and advertising costs per line at a tender price of \$159 Inc.

GST

Carried

John Newstead – Scott McLaren

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby confirm conditions of severance for Brant Cook as follows: That an Engineer be retained to supply engineer stamped drawings of the Right of Way showing effective land drainage plans consistent with the Ontario Land Drainage and Environmental requirements to ensure water is not directed to the neighbour's property and that the Township of Strong Road Superintendent signed approval of the work is required before final approval and deeds are stamped. The condition regarding the parking lot has been deleted. Carried

Sally Harper – Scott McLaren

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby approve tax write off's for MTO property that have been charged interest or have been declared exempt for 2006 but the interim billing was produced using 2005 information: Roll 7-14-06 \$79.78; Roll 7-13-01 \$132.29 and 14-24 10 \$4.99 Carried

Chris Ellis – John Newstead

Be it resolved that this council does hereby approve the Municipal Christmas Hours for: Land Fill #1 and Land Fill #2 – Closed Dec. 25, Dec. 26 and Jan 1/07; Municipal Office – Closed 12 noon Dec. 22nd to Jan 2/07 at 9 am inclusive. Carried

John Newstead – Chris Ellis

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby approve a Christmas Bonus of \$300 for Land Fill #1 and 2; Roads Dept; Office; BEO and Council Carried

John Newstead – Scott McLaren

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby approve a proposed severance of the property at Con 6 Lot 11, being Part 2 42R8002 into a possible 3 lots upon approval from the North Bay Mattawa Conservation Authority for Septic approval and with the usual conditions of severance. Carried

Advertising for Committee Members resulted in 2 volunteers for the Recreation Committee and 2 volunteers for the Library.

Chris Ellis – Scott McLaren

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby appoint John Newstead to the Board of Management for Eastholme for the Term beginning April 1st 2007 for a term determined by the Eastholme Board of Management and that this resolution be circulated to the Area 3 Municipalities of Burk's Falls; Township of Joly; and the Municipality of Magnetawan. Carried

Chris Ellis – John Newstead

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby adjourn at 8:30 pm to meet again on December 12th at 7pm or at the call of the Mayor Carried

Diana Georgie, Clerk

Stephen R. Rawn, Mayor