

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STRONG
COUNCIL MEETING – MARCH 11TH 2008**

Held at the Township office at 5:30 pm

Attending:

Council: Chris Ellis; Vi Montpetit; Merlyn Snow; John Newstead Absent: Stephen R. Rawn

Staff: David Pringle, Road Superintendant

Pecuniary Interests declared by Merlyn Snow

Vi Montpetit - Merlyn Snow

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby appoint Chris Ellis as presiding officer for the meeting
CD

Merlyn Snow – John Newstead

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

- Council meeting February 26th 2008
- Central Almaguin Economic Development Assoc. meeting of Feb.21.08
- Sundridge Strong Joly Arena meeting of Mar 5.08
- Joint Building Committee meeting of Feb.28.08 Carried

Vi Montpetit – John Newstead

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby approve the amendment to the Feb.5. Sundridge & District Medical Centre minutes – accounts payable for December to read \$30,388.77 instead of \$8677.87 and January accounts \$22,292.11 be approved for payment Carried

Merlyn Snow – Vi Montpetit

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby agree that BOT Construction group are exempt during half load season to travel on Adams Rd; Albert St and Hill Valley Rd. The permission is given with the understanding that BOT Construction will mitigate and repair any road failures that occur from the construction traffic and activities in co-operation with the Road Superintendant, David Pringle on how these failures will be repaired. Carried

John Newstead – Vi Montpetit

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby not approve a berm of construction waste being placed at the Township lot at Con 8 Lot 14 requested by BOT Construction. Carried

John Newstead – Vi Montpetit

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby approve payment of the accounts as follows:
Road accounts for Feb. \$28,860.67; General Accounts for Feb \$47,810.89; Payroll a/c \$55,717.69 CD

Merlyn Snow declared a conflict on the payment of accounts.

Vi Montpetit – John Newstead

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby appoint Merlyn Snow to the Joint Recreation committee with South River, Sundridge, Machar and Strong with the first meeting to be March 17th 2008 at 5 pm CD

Correspondence from S. Rawn re Agenda items; JBC report for Feb; Council reviewed the year end surplus analysis as presented by the auditor; The draft building by-law; Insurance for Paralegal; Policing; Hwy 4 laning – road closures; article on fee for requesting an investigator; North Bay Mattawa Conservation Authority re: Septics and re-inspection program for the JBC Area municipalities; Ministry of Culture – Conservation Review Board; Ministry of Public Infrastructure – COMRIF v/s Building Canada Plan;

John Newstead - Merlyn Snow

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby accept the budget for the Airport with our share being \$7831 and that the 2007 payment of \$2000 for fuel be treated as a forgivable loan for 2008. Carried.

Merlyn Snow – Vi Montpetit

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby offer the following comments regarding the GIS Partnership and that there must be a very high percentage accuracy match of parcel roll #'s to data base Assessment Roll #'s. Carried

John Newstead – Vi Montpetit

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby acknowledge the 2008 levy for Eastholme \$30,650 and DSSAB \$154,379 Carried

Merlyn Snow – Vi Montpetit

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby authorize Tera Kincaid to attend the Financial Management Basics Workshop in North Bay on May 15th at a cost of \$189.00 Carried

John Newstead - Merlyn Snow

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby approve a donation to the East Parry Sound Regional Science Fair in the amount of \$100 Carried

Merlyn Snow – John Newstead

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby support the resolution from the City of Woodstock regarding Taxation and that we petition the province to use Current Value Assessment for Taxation issues. Carried

Merlyn Snow – Vi Montpetit

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby not wish to participate in the technical studies for the source water protection planning work and information session on April 17th 2008 at 7 pm in Callander. Carried

Vi Montpetit - Merlyn Snow

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby approve a donation to the South River Figure Skating Club for their annual spring carnival in the amount of \$100 Carried

Vi Montpetit – John Newstead

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby enact by-law 2008 – 1566 being a by-law to authorize the sale of a 30' strip of land from the fire hall property to be added to Kent Trusses property. Carried

John Newstead – Vi Montpetit

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby enact by-law #2008 – 1567 being a by-law to enter into an agreement to purchase limited fire prevention services and having read the by-law the required readings. Carried

Merlyn Snow – John Newstead

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby appoint Tera Kincaid as Deputy Treasurer effective March 31st 2008 with pay equity plan step 1 in category 7 as the pay structure with a by-law to be drafted. CD

Merlyn Snow – Vi Montpetit

Be it resolved that this Council does hereby adjourn at 8:20 pm to meet again on March 25th 2008 at 5:30 pm or at the call of the mayor Carried

Diana Georgie, Clerk

Chris Ellis, Presiding Officer