

reThe Mayor declared the meeting open at 5:30 p.m..

Council Members Present:

Mayor Christine Ellis,

Councillors Jason Cottrell, Kelly Elik, John Newstead, Merlyn Snow.

Declarations of Conflict/Pecuniary Interest:

Delegations:

Clary Hawes – Gincor Industries attended the meeting to discuss the recent 2012 Plow truck tender. Mr. Hawes was concerned that the tender documents stated Viking and Pro Line equipment however the Township accepted a tender which did not provide this equipment. The Mayor thanked Mr. Hawes for bringing this to their attention and council apologized for this oversight as they were looking at overall price. Council assured Mr. Hawes they would re-tender and it would be sent to the various suppliers for tendering.

Brenda Shackles, Mike Ward of Larochele and Rick Lebeau of Tracks and Wheels attended the meeting to discuss their equipment lines, service contractor with council. They advised their tender was based on information provided to them by the Road Superintendent. Council advised they would be re-tendering for the 2012 Plow truck.

Guests in the audience included.

Roads Superintendent – Dave Pringle

Clary Hawes – Gincor Industries

Brenda Shackles - LaRochele

Discussion Items:

Road Superintendent – Dave Pringle provided council with an update of work completed by the Roads Department. It was reported that since Council purchased the Doosan Excavator the Township has been able to brush 56 kms of roads and ditch 32 kms which help to maintain the life of the road bed. GPS training was completed by staff and information staff will be going out to collect more information on culverts, signs etc for our GIS mapping.

Council reviewed a preliminary 2012 Roads budget for consideration.

Council discussed the tender procedures for tenders with a value of less than \$ 10,000.00 –although the department head may obtain tenders without advertising council requires all tenders are to be submitted in writing in a sealed envelope to the Township office. A resolution was passed.

Council discussed the letter of concern regarding the entrance off Hwy 124 to Buck Haven Road. The clerk will send a letter supporting the concerns and recommending others contact the Ministry of Transportation to express concern regarding safety at this intersection.

Tenders were opened for the Official Plan and Zoning By-law Update. Council and the Clerk will review all tender documents and the Clerk will prepare a report for council to consider at the next regular meeting on December 13, 2011.

A further draft of the Lake Bernard Lake Plan was presented to council for their review and council were advised to submit their comments to Jim Wright.

The following resolutions were passed:

R2011-343

Merlyn Snow – Jay Cottrell

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong adopt the Minutes of the November 8, 2011 meeting as circulated.

Carried

R2011-344

Kelly Elik – John Newstead

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong accept the Accounts Payable as presented up to and including November 22, 2011 in the amount of \$ 77,983.77 and hereby authorize the Clerk/Treasurer to issue cheques for same.

Carried

R2011-345

Jason Cottrell – Kelly Elik

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby approve Caitlin Unger enrolling into the AMCTO MAP courses (4).

Carried

R2011-346

Merlyn Snow – Jay Cottrell

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby support joining the Muskoka Parry Sound Public Purchasing Group in 2012.

Carried

R2011-347

Jay Cottrell – John Newstead

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby support a Christmas Bonus to Seasonal Staff and Non Full time staff in the amount of \$ 150.00 each

Carried

R2011-348

Merlyn Snow – John Newstead

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby rescind Resolution R2011-328 being a resolution to accept a tender for the supply of a 2012 Plow Truck;

And that the Township of Strong hereby re-tender for the supply of a 2012 Plow truck as per the attached tender document.

Carried

R2011-349

Jay Cottrell – John Newstead

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong support the acceptance from the Township of Joly in the role of Administrator of the South River Sundridge District Airport as of November 9, 2011. The Transfer of function is to be on January 1, 2012. **Carried**

R2011-350

Jay Cottrell – Kelly Elik

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong have read By-law 2011-033 being a by-law to enter into an agreement for the Maintenance of Roads between the Township of Joly and the Township of Strong having read the by-law the required readings;

And that the Mayor and the Clerk are hereby authorized to sign this by-law and affix the Seal of the Corporation thereto.

Carried

R2011-351

Merlyn Snow – Jay Cottrell

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby approve the recommendation by the South River Sundridge District Airport Committee to hire Jack Masheeco for snow removal at the airport using the Airport Equipment with the lessees paying the cost. **Carried**

R2011-352

Kelly Elik – Merlyn Snow

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby accept the recommendation presented by the Sundridge and District Medical Centre Committee to increase the rental rate at the Medical Centre to \$ 1.57 per square foot. **Carried**

R2011-353

Jason Cottrell – Kelly Elik

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby state that all tenders shall be submitted to the Township office to be reviewed by council regardless of the amount.

Carried

R2011-354

Jason Cottrell – John Newstead

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. until the next regular meeting of Council on December 13, 2011 which will be the last meeting of the year. **Carried**

Mayor, Christine Ellis

Clerk/Treasurer, Linda Maurer