

In the absence of the Mayor as per resolution 2012-052 – Councillor Merlyn Snow acted as Deputy Mayor.

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

Council Members Present:

Deputy Mayor Merlyn Snow, Councillors Jason Cottrell, Kelly Elik, John Newstead, Mayor Christine Ellis was absent

Declarations of Conflict/Pecuniary Interest: None Declared

Additions to the Agenda –

2012-057

Jason Cottrell – J. D. Newstead:

Therefore be it resolved the Council for the Township of Strong hereby approve Amendments to the February 28, 2012 agenda to include additional items for discussion.

Carried

Delegations: None

Guests in the audience included. None

Discussion Items:

- Report on blasting on Bloomfield Road
- Discussion regarding charges for photocopies.
- Tenders for drilling well at Landfill # 1 were opened. A resolution passed
- Quotation to upgrade municipal website reviewed. A resolution passed
- Official Plan review – possible meeting dates discussed.

The following resolutions were passed:

R2012-058

Kelly Elik – J. D. Newstead:

Therefore be it resolved the Council for the Township of Strong hereby adopt the Minutes of the February 14, 2012 meeting as circulated.

Carried

R2012-059

Kelly Elik – Jason Cottrell

Therefore be it resolved the Council for the Township of Strong hereby accept the Accounts Payable as presented up to and including February 28, 2012 in the amount of \$59022.99.

And hereby authorize the Clerk/Treasurer to issue cheques for same.

Carried

R2012-060

J. D. Newstead – Jason Cottrell:

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong accept the application for employment transfer by Cec Aho from the Sundridge Strong Joly Arena Committee to the Township of Strong Landfill Site attendant effective May 28, 2012 for the Landfill Site Attendant position as posted internally.

Cec Aho will retain his current vacation allotment and all other benefits, and will be paid at Step 2 3 rate for a probationary period of 3 months. After the probation period Council will review his performance and re-evaluate to determine his wage range.

Carried

R2012-061

Jason Cottrell – Kelly Elik:

By S.O. 2001 c.25 as amended, Section 284 (1) the treasurer of a municipality shall in each year on or before March 31 provide to the Council of the municipality an itemized statement on remuneration and expenses paid in the previous year to: each member of council in respect of his/her services as a member of the council or any other body, including a local board, to which the member holds office by virtue of being a member of council; each member of council in respect of his/her services as an officer or employee of the municipality or other body described in clause (a); and each person other than a member of council appointed by the municipality to serve as a member of any body, including a local board, in respect of his/her services as a member of the body.

And that By-Law 2005-8 identified the remuneration to be paid to council members as per S.O. 2001, c.25 Section 284 (2).

COUNCIL:

Mayor: Christine Ellis	\$13,251.96
Councillors:	
Jason Cottrell	\$ 10,657.76
Kelly Elik	\$ 11,357.76
John Newstead	\$ 11,357.76
Merlyn Snow	\$ 11,357.76

MILAGE PAID:

Christine Ellis	\$ 833.70
John Newstead	\$ 237.60
Kelly Elik	\$ 229.05
Merlyn Snow	\$ 90.90

Cemetery Board Members:

Terry Hornibrook - \$80.00, Don Richardson - \$80.00, Arnold Hall -\$80.00, Merlyn Snow-\$80.00 William Kent - \$40.00, Gary McCreary -\$40.00, John Hannaford - \$40.00, Jim Schmidt - \$40.00, R. Brimacombe \$ 40.00, Tim Crozier \$40.00, Kerry Parker \$ 40.00, A. Brimacombe \$40.00, Grant Crozier \$ 40.00.

Livestock Valuers:

David Sinclair - \$200.00, John McLachlan - \$40.00, Weed Inspector – Robert Gibbon \$ 40.00,

Recreation Committee:

Les Blackwell \$ 40.00, Brandon Schmidt \$ 320.00, Shirley McGirr - \$160.00, Vi Montpetit \$280.00.

Library Board:

Vi Montpetit - \$440.00, Jane Anderson -\$520.00

High Rock Committee:

Harold O’Brien \$ 40.00, Joanne Schmidt \$ 40.00

Fenceviewers:

David Sinclair \$ 40.00, Robert Gibbons, \$ 40.00

Emergency Services – Ann Swallow \$ 40.00

We have seen the itemized statement for Councillors/Board Members etc. for 2011

Carried

R2012-062

J. D. Newstead – Jason Cottrell:

Therefore be it resolved the Council for the Township of Strong support the Resolution presented by the Joint Building Committee to increase the meeting stipend to \$ 80.00 per meeting for the Recording Secretary. **Carried**

R2012 -063

Kelly Elik – Jason Cottrell:

Therefore be it resolved the Council for the Township of Strong support the 2012 Joint Building Committee Budget in the amount of \$ 236,700.00. **Carried**

R201-064

Jason Cottrell – J. D. Newstead:

Therefore be it resolved the Council for the Township of Strong hereby authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to sign the FedNor Funding Agreement on behalf of the municipality. **Carried**

R2012-065

Jay Cottrell – Kelly Elik:

Therefore be it resolved the Council for the Township of Strong hereby approve funding for the FedNor/NOHFC CAEDA Economic Development project:

2012 - \$10,000.00

2013 -\$10,000.00 for a total three year commitment of \$ 30,000.00 as Council supported a \$ 10,000.00 commitment in 2011. **Carried**

R2012-066

Jason Cottrell – J. D. Newstead:

The Council for the Township of Strong hereby approve our annual donation to:

Strong Cemetery	\$ 1250.00
Pevensey Cemetery	\$ 300.00
Berridale Cemetery	\$ 300.00

For the year 2012

Carried

R2012-067

J. D. Newstead – Kelly Elik

Therefore be it resolved the Council for the Township of Strong hereby accept the quotation as presented from Ransome Well Drilling in the amount of \$9800.00 plus HST.

To install a drilled well at Landfill Site # 1. Heat Line installation to be discussed. **Carried**

R2012-068

Kelly Elik – Jason Cottrell

Therefore be it resolved the Council for the Township of Strong hereby approve a donation in the amount of \$200.00 to the Algonquin Veterans' Association to purchase a stone memorial to be located in Parry Sound.

Carried

R2012-069

Jason Cottrell – Kelly Elik

Therefore be it resolved the Council for the Township of Strong hereby accept the Tender from Tom Crane in the amount of \$ 1300.00 to upgrade the municipal website.

Carried

R2012-070

Jay Cottrell – Kelly Elik:

Therefore be it resolved the Council for the Township of Strong hereby accept the Tender from D M Wills in the amount of \$ 3950 plus HST to complete the 2012 OSIM Bridge Inspection Program as presented.

Carried

R2012-071

Jason Cottrell – J. D. Newstead:

The Council for the Township of Strong hereby approve a donation to the Antique Snowmobile Show for 2012 in the amount of \$ 400.00.

Carried

R2012-072

Jason Cottrell – J. D. Newstead:

Therefore be it resolved the Council for the Township of Strong hereby withdraw support from the Almaguin Health Centre.

R2012-073

J. D. Newstead – Jason Cottrell:

Therefore be it resolved the Council for the Township of Strong hereby adjourn at 7:25 p.m. until the next regular meeting on March 13, 2012.

Deputy Mayor, Merlyn Snow

Clerk/Treasurer, Linda Maurer