

**TOWNSHIP OF STRONG  
COUNCIL MEETING  
AT 5:30 P.M.  
ON OCTOBER 28, 2014  
IN  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

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

**Council Members Present:** Mayor Christine Ellis, Councillors Kelly Elik, John Newstead (arrived at 6:10 PM) and Jason Cottrell

**Absent:** Councillor Merlyn Snow, with notice.

**Staff Present:** Linda Maurer – Clerk/Treasurer, Caitlin Haggart - Deputy Clerk

**R2014-276**

**Kelly Elik – Jason Cottrell**

The Council for the Township of Strong approve the October 28, 2014 agenda as presented and/or amended. **Carried**

Amended to include Cindy Diver – Taxi License application, Village of Sundridge – Sign Proposals

**Declarations of Conflict/Pecuniary Interest:** None

**Guests in the Audience:** Jeff McLaren

**Delegations:** None

**Discussion:**

**Christmas Events** – Event options for Christmas was discussed. A Volunteer Appreciation Dinner will not occur this year. A thank you letter will be sent to Volunteers.

**Landfill Hours** – Overtime hours are occurring when staff are covering for sick time and vacation time. Staff will be instructed to amend schedules to ensure overtime hours are not incurred. Council will discuss in more detail in the New Year.

**EMO Joint Training Meeting** – the required Regional Annual Joint Exercise will be held in Magnetawan on November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014 from 9AM – 3PM.

**Muskoka Algonquin Heath Centre, X-Ray hours** – Hours at Burk's Falls Health Centre are being cut down to 3 days per week due to lack of use.

**Funding Announcement Event** – MP Tony Clement will be announcing funding at the Village of South River office on October 31, 2014 at 9:30AM.

**Village of Sundridge sign samples** – Municipal signage options for Highway 11 were circulated. The Clerk will notify the Village of Sundridge of Council's chosen option.

**Resolutions:**

**R2014-277**

**Jason Cottrell – Kelly Elik**

The Council for the Township of Strong adopt the Minutes of the October 14, 2014 Council meeting as circulated. **Carried**

**R2014-278**

**Kelly Elik – Jason Cottrell**

The Council for the Township of Strong approve the Accounts Payable as presented up to and including October 28, 2014 in the amount of \$451,957.89 and hereby authorize the Clerk/Treasurer to issue cheques for same. **Carried**

**R2014-279**

**Jason Cottrell – Kelly Elik**

The Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed amendment to the Township of Strong Employee Policy D-1.4 Overtime;

And that Council approves the amendment to this policy as presented. **Carried**

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**R2014-280**

**Jason Cottrell – Kelly Elik**

The Council for the Township of Strong have read By-law 2014-020 being a by-law to set the Remuneration for 2015 for Township employees.

And that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby approve this by-law and affix the Seal of the Corporation thereto. **Carried**

**Recorded Vote Requested**

	For	Against
Chris Ellis	X	
Jason Cottrell	X	
Kelly Elik	X	
John Newstead	Absent for the Vote	
Merlyn Snow	Absent from the meeting	

**R2014-281**

**Kelly Elik – Jason Cottrell**

The Council for the Township of Strong hereby approve the application presented by Cindy Diver to operate a Taxi business within the Township of Strong, provided the required documentation and fees are received. **Carried**

**R2014-282**

**Kelly Elik – John Newstead**

Therefore be it resolved that as per the Municipal Act, S.O c. 25, Section 239 the Council for the Township of Strong hereby enter into a Closed Session of Council, subsection 2 (c): a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board, at 6:20 p.m. **Carried**

***The Council for the Township of Strong resumed the regular meeting of Council at 6:40 pm. The Mayor reported that Council discussed the matters it was permitted to under the resolution authorizing the public exclusion.***

**R2014-283**

**John Newstead – Kelly Elik**

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby approve a Christmas Bonus for staff in the amount of \$500.00 and \$300.00 for council members. **Carried**

**R2014-284**

**Kelly Elik – Jason Cottrell**

The Council for the Township of Strong hereby adjourn the regular meeting at 7:20 p.m. until the next regular meeting scheduled on November 11, 2014.

**Carried**

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**Mayor, Christine Ellis**

**Clerk-Treasurer, Linda Maurer**