

**TOWNSHIP OF STRONG
COUNCIL MEETING
AT 5:30 P.M.
ON SEPTEMBER 9, 2014
IN
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

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

Council Members Present: Mayor Christine Ellis, Councillors Merlyn Snow, John Newstead, Kelly Elik and Jason Cottrell (arrived at 5:53p.m.).

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

R2014-243

Merlyn Snow – John Newstead

The Council for the Township of Strong hereby approve the September 9, 2014 agenda as presented and/or amended.

Chris Jones, Municipal Planning Services, Report;

SSJ Arena Resolution for Sewer Local Improvement Charges.

Carried

Declarations of Conflict/Pecuniary Interest: None

Guests in the Audience: Lyn Dellandrea

Delegations:

Kevin Minor, Road Superintendent: reviewed submitted report. Mr. Minor will be attending the Muskoka Road Bridge grand opening. He advised that the bridge is now open, it was delayed due to extenuating circumstances. Double surfacing has been delayed due to poor weather. The road department is going over snow plow equipment. Mr. Minor registered road staff for snowplow training in early October at the Township office. Mrs. Maurer advised there is new infrastructure funding available and David Bonsall, DM Wills, will be assisting with the expression of interest. She spoke with Mr. Minor to identify roads in the Road Needs Study to submit in the application.

John Sbrolla, Northern Dream Homes – EIS for Lot 2 Con. 13: The Environmental Impact Study was discussed. Mr. Sbrolla advised that the third lot to be created was increased to 400 feet to allow for a large enough building envelope while maintaining the required buffer. Suggested mitigation measures will be presented to the planning board and considered with the specific lots. Council deferred a decision in order to review the submitted report from the planner, and they will hold a special meeting on Monday September 15, 2014 at 6:00p.m. to discuss it. The documents will be available on the Township website.

Discussion:

Batteries at Landfill #1 – ARI currently receives \$1.00 per car battery. Mr. Newstead found a company who pays \$5.00 per battery and will pick them up weekly during the year. The money collected on Hazmat day will be given to ARI.

Muskoka Road Bridge Update – Second certificate was paid to MTM and the bridge is open.

Council meeting rescheduled to September 30, 2014

Boat Launch Letter – Clerk will respond by letter to the concern

Strong Masonic Lodge Event – invitation distributed to Council

Rusty Russell, Russell Christie – will be retiring and Ed Veldboom will be taking over his files.

Resolutions:

R2014-244

Kelly Elik – Jason Cottrell

The Council for the Township of Strong hereby adopt the Minutes of the August 26, 2014 meeting as circulated.

Carried

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R2014-245

Merlyn Snow – Jason Cottrell

WHEREAS the generation of solid waste and needless waste of water and energy resources are recognized as global environmental problems and, WHEREAS municipal and provincial governments have an important role to play in promoting waste reduction, reuse, recycling, composting and other conservation measures and,

WHEREAS communities, businesses and organizations across Canada have committed to working together to raise awareness of these issues during Waste Reduction Week in Canada, and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED The Council for the Township of Strong hereby proclaim and declare that October 20 – 26, 2014, inclusive, shall be known as Waste Reduction Week. **Carried**

R2014-246

John Newstead – Jason Cottrell

The Council for the Township of Strong hereby accept the report submitted by Mr. Chris Jones, Municipal Planning Services, regarding Lot 2 Concession 13 in the Township and will consider the recommendations included in this report. **Carried**

R2014-247

Kelly Elik – Merlyn Snow

The Council for the Township of Strong hereby support the recommendation from the Sundridge and District Medical Centre Committee that the single payout for the capital works sanitary sewer project be paid out of the Medical Centre Operating Budget (not capital) in the amount of \$7,657.72. **Carried**

R2014-248

Merlyn Snow – John Newstead

The Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed the By-law from the Village of Sundridge regarding the Sewage Lagoon charges at the Sundridge Strong Joly Arena;

And that Council for the Township of Strong supports option # 1 in the amount of \$8,037.12 . **Carried**

R2014-249

Kelly Elik – Jason Cottrell

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong transfer \$ 4,000.00 from Arena Reserves to pay for the sewage lagoon fees. **Carried**

R2014-250

Merlyn Snow – Kelly Elik

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong permit Lawrence Erven to use the Township backhoe at the Strong Agricultural Fall Fair. **Carried**

R2014-251

John Newstead – Jason Cottrell

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong agree to sell Lake In the Hills books to the Strong Agricultural Society for the re-sale as a fundraiser. The cost to the society will be \$15.00 per book. **Carried**

R2014-252

Merlyn Snow – Kelly Elik

The Council for the Township of Strong hereby adjourn the regular meeting at 7:25 p.m. until the next regular meeting scheduled on September 30, 2014. **Carried**

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Mayor, Christine Ellis

Clerk/Treasurer, Linda Maurer