TOWNSHIP OF STRONG COUNCIL MEETING AT 5:30 P.M. ON JUNE 23, 2015 IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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

Council Members Present: Mayor Christine Ellis, Councillors Les Blackwell, Jason Cottrell, Kelly Elik Jeff McLaren.

Pecuniary Interest Declared: Councillor Kelly Elik, - Accounts Payable item payment to Budd Brown.

Delegations:

Vi Montpetit attended the Council meeting to discuss a concern with the number of pedestrians on Lakeshore Road and Forest Lake Road. The concern is that there is not a shoulder for pedestrians to walk along and they are walking on the roads which could be dangerous. Mrs. Montpetit would like to see the shoulders brushed back and widened to permit pedestrians using the road in a safe manner. Mrs. Montpetit also requested that brushing along the road be completed as the brush has grown in and obscures vision for drivers at the corner. Council advised there is pretty tight time line for the many construction projects planned for the Township, however, they will look into this during the fall or plan for 2016 construction/work season. If time permits they will try and get some brushing done this season.

Kevin Minor Road Superintendent attended the meeting at the request of Council. Mr. Minor was asked at the previous meeting to prepare estimates to complete at least two roads this construction season. Mr. Minor provided estimates and breakdown of the construction required to complete Tower Road and Cottrell Road with ditching, brushing and granite. The estimates for this project was \$ 149,400. Council had allotted \$ 100,000 for this project. A discussion took place on options. Council directed the Road Superintendent to put an ad in the paper for Hired Equipment which will be reviewed at the next council meeting.

Resolution:

R2015-157

Jason Cottrell - Jeff McLaren

The Council for the Township of Strong approve the June 23, 2015 agenda as presented and/or amended. **Carried**

R2015-158

Kelly Elik – Jason Cottrell:

The Council for the Township of Strong adopt the Minutes of the June 9, 2015 meeting as circulated. **Carried**

R2015-159

Jason Cottrell - Jeff McLaren

The Council for the Township of Strong approve the Accounts Payable as presented up to and including June 23, 2015 in the amount of \$327,287.65 and hereby authorize the Clerk/Treasurer to issue cheques for same. **Carried**

Councillor Kelly Elik declared a conflict on item 1344 Brown's Quarry.

R2015-160

Jeff McLaren – Les Blackwell:

Therefore be it resolved the Council for the Township of Strong authorize the Road Superintendent prepare an advertisement for equipment quotes. **Carried**

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R2015-161

Kelly Elik - Jason Cottrell

Therefore be it resolve the Council for the Township of Strong hereby accept the recommendations of our Engineers, DM Wills and Associates to accept the tender from Fowler Construction in the amount of \$ 97,918.00(Plus HST) for the Rodeo Road Culvert replacement.

Carried

R2015-162

Kelly Elik – Jason Cottrell:

Therefore be it resolve the Council for the Township of Strong hereby authorize the Clerk Treasurer to contact CGIS regarding a Project Management component for the Roads Department

Carried

R2015-163

Les Blackwell - Jeff McLaren:

Therefore be it resolved the Council for the Township of Strong accept the quotation from Metroland Media for 6 subscriptions to the Almaguin News for one year in the amount of \$ 169.50 including HST.

Carried

R2015-164

Kelly Elik – Jeff McLaren:

Therefore be it resolved the Council for the Township of Strong support the recommendation of the Sundridge Strong Union Public Library Board to approve a 2% wage increase for the Librarian/CEO and the two Librarian Assistants as set out in the Village of Sundridge Pay Grid effective January 1, 2015. **Carried**

R2015-165

Jason Cottrell - Jeff McLaren

Therefore be it resolved the Council for the Township of Strong have read and approve By-law 2015-13 as amended to include "Being Part 10 on P-2289-126 (42R-16872)" in the original by-law;

And hereby authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to sign the amended By-law and affix the Seal of the Corporation thereto.

Carried

R2015-166

Jason Cottrell - Kelly Elik:

Therefore be it resolved that as per the Municipal Act, S.0 c. 25, Section 239 the Council for the Township of Strong hereby enter into a Closed Session of Council, subsection 2 (b) Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including a municipal or local board employees at 7:40 p.m.

Carried

The Council for the Township of Strong resumed the regular meeting of Council at 9:05 pm. The Mayor reported that Council discussed the matters it was permitted to under the resolution authorizing the public exclusion

R2015-167

Kelly Elik – Jeff McLaren:

Therefore be it resolved the Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed the Retainer documentation from Mathews Dinsdale and Clarke LLP;

And that Council does hereby authorize the Clerk/Treasurer to sign this document on behalf of the Corporation for their assistance in respect to an Application for Certification.

Carried

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R2015-168 Les Blackwell – Kelly Elik:

Therefore be it resolved the Council for the Township of strong hereby approve using \$ 22,000.00 from Parks fund to purchase MTO property. **Carried**

R2015- 169 Jason Cottrell – Jeff McLaren:

The Council for the Township of Strong hereby adjourn the regular meeting at 9:15 p.m. until the next regular meeting scheduled on July 14, 2015.

Carried

Mayor, Christine Ellis Clerk/Treasurer, Linda Maurer