

**TOWNSHIP OF STRONG  
COUNCIL MEETING  
AT 5:30 P.M.  
ON MARCH 24, 2015  
IN  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
PUBLIC MEETING @ 7:00 PM  
COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT MINOR VARIANCE APPLICATION**

**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, (Councillor McLaren left the meeting at 7:30 to attend another meeting).

There were no delegations to the Regular Public Meeting.

Guests: Sharon Patterson regarding the Public Meeting for the Minor Variance Application – Wm. Lang.

Comment Forms/Correspondence:

Council reviewed the Comment forms received from Betty McLaren regarding Road conditions.

Committee Report:

Clerk Treasurer Linda Maurer prepared a report on Trailer By-laws and Fees. Council directed the Clerk Treasurer to prepare a new Trailer by-law for the April 14, 2015 Council meeting.

Council had a discussion on the policy presented regarding procedures to follow when removing an animal carcass from public roads. Council felt that this policy should have been reviewed by council prior to issuing a memo. Council would like a resolution presented at the next meeting indicating the procedures for staff to follow when removing an animal carcass from public roads.

Council did not feel it was necessary to re-tender for the parks contract and instructed the clerk to advise our contractor he could continue for another year as per his previous contract.

Council requested the Clerk Treasurer contact our MPAC representative to attend a future meeting.

Council was provided with a draft 2015 budget for their review. The budget will be brought back to the Council at a later date to discuss further at a Public Meeting.

**Resolution:**

**R2015-74**

**Jeff McLaren – Jason Cottrell:**

The Council for the Township of Strong approve the March 24, 2015 agenda as presented and/or amended. **Carried**

**R2015-75**

**Jason Cottrell – Kelly Elik:**

The Council for the Township of Strong adopt the Minutes of the March 10, 2015 meeting as circulated. **Carried**

**R2015-76**

**Jeff McLaren – Jason Cottrell:**

The Council for the Township of Strong approve the Accounts Payable as presented up to and including March 24, 2015 in the amount of \$269,058.05 and hereby authorize the Clerk/Treasurer to issue cheques for same. **Carried**

**R2015-77**

**Jason Cottrell – Kelly Elik:**

The Council for the Township of Strong receive the report from David Bonsall of DM Wills Associates Limited regarding Tender 2015-01 – Rehabilitation of Muskoka Road.

And that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby accept this report as presented and award the contract to:

Fowler Construction in the amount of \$ 363,876.05 excluding HST. **Carried**

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**R2015- 78**

**Jason Cottrell – Kelly Elik:**

The Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed Resolution 2015-096 passed by the Municipality of Magnetawan expressing concern the Ministry of Natural Resources has informed the AFIA (Almaguin Fish Improvement Association) of their decision to shut down the fish stocking program;

And that the AFIA's fish stocking program is fully funded by fund raising and has not cost the MNR any monies;

And that the AFIA runs a successful informative education program during the spawning time for all local school children;

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong supports the petition to the Ministry of Natural Resources to direct the local office to enter into a long term agreement addressing the reinstatement of the valuable fish hatchery stocking program at Magnetawan.

And that our resolution be directed to the Municipality of Magnetawan for their collection and presentation to the Minister of Natural Resources. **Carried**

**R2015-79**

**Jeff McLaren – Jason Cottrell:**

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby approve the 2015 Joint Building Committee Budget as presented. **Carried**

**R2015-80**

**Jeff McLaren – Les Blackwell:**

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed the Draft HazMat Association Agreement as presented;

And that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby support this Agreement;  
And that Council hereby authorize the Clerk Treasurer and the Mayor to sign this Agreement on behalf of the Corporation and affix the Seal of the Corporation thereto. **DEFEATED**

**R2015-81**

**Kelly Elik – Jason Cottrell:**

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong adjourn the regular meeting of Council at 7:00 p.m. to enter into a Committee of Adjustment Meeting. **Carried**

**R2015-82**

**Jell McLaren – Kelly Elik**

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby resume the regular meeting of Council at 7:15 p.m. **Carried**

**R2015-83**

**Jason Cottrell – Kelly Elik**

The Council for the Township of Strong hereby adjourn the regular meeting at 8:40 p.m. until the next regular meeting scheduled on April 14, 2015.

**Carried**

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**Committee of Adjustment Minutes:**

The Committee of Adjustment met on March 24, 2015 to provide a decision on the application for a Minor Variance submitted by William and Susan Lang.

Delegations: Sharon Patterson expressing concern regarding the drainage of the lot and it's impact on adjacent property owners.

Peter Bowser – email received discussing drainage issues

Darryl Fleger – email received re relocation of road issues

**R2015- 001 March 24, 2015**

Jeff McLaren- Jason Cottrell

Therefore be it resolved that the Committee of Adjustment has received the Report from Mr. Chris Jones, Planner Municipal Planning Services regarding the Wm & Susan Lang Minor Variance application;

And that Council shall defer a decision on this Minor Variance until such time as the drainage issue has been addressed and site plan agreement drafts are available for review, and relocation of the Elizabeth Street. **Carried**

**2015-002 March 24, 2015**

Jason Cottrell – Les Blackwell

Therefore be it resolved that the Committee of Adjustment hereby adjourn the Committee of Adjustment meeting at 7:10 p.m. **Carried**

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**Mayor, Christine Ellis**

**Clerk/Treasurer, Linda Maurer**