

**TOWNSHIP OF STRONG
COUNCIL MEETING
AT 5:30 P.M.
ON OCTOBER 13, 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 called and sent his regrets due to illness, Kelly Elik, Jeff McLaren.

Delegations:

John Newstead attended the meeting as our area representative on the Eastholme Board. He reported that the CEO will be resigning his position in 2016. A hiring committee has been formed and they will be advertising this position in the coming weeks. Mr. Newstead also reported there have been some changes to the CCAC system and that the wait time has been increased dramatically due to these changes. He reported there are approximately 158 people on the wait list. There has not been any new funding available to Eastholme and they are working very hard to keep within their budgets.

Brian Johnstone – Stick and Stone Tack Shop attended the meeting to discuss his Zoning By-law application. Mr. Johnstone requested clarification on the previous amendment provided and the difference to this 3rd amendment required.

Councillor Jeff McLaren left the meeting during the presentation by Mr. Johnstone regarding the application.

Mr. Kevin Minor attended the Council meeting to provide Council with an update of activities of the Road Department.

The following Resolutions were passed:

R2015-255

Jeff McLaren – Kelly Elik:

The Council for the Township of Strong approve the October 13, 2015 agenda as presented and/or amended. **Carried**

-Staff Report – Digital Imagery

-Health Unit Bulletin – Blue Green Algae

R2015-256

Jeff McLaren – Kelly Elik:

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 (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual at 6:05 p.m.

Carried

The Council for the Township of Strong resumed the regular meeting of Council at 6:25 pm. The Mayor reported that Council discussed the matters it was permitted to under the resolution authorizing the public exclusion

R2015-257

Kelly Elik – Jeff McLaren:

The Council for the Township of Strong adopt the Minutes of the September 29, 2015 meeting as circulated. **Carried**

R2015-258

Les Blackwell – Kelly Elik:

The Council for the Township of Strong approve the Accounts Payable as presented up to and including October 13, 2015 in the amount of \$254,684.03 and hereby authorize the Clerk/Treasurer to issue cheques for same with the exception of item # 37 in the amount of \$ 5893.39. **Carried**

R2015-259

Kelly Elik – Les Blackwell:

The Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed Employee Policy B-3.1 Vehicle Expenses Subsection 3. Insurance:

And that as the Clerk has used her personal vehicle for over 1,000 km in the 2015 calendar year;

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And that as the Clerk has provided details of service work completed on her 2012 GMC for the past two years;

Therefore be it resolved the Council of the Township of Strong will not require a Safety Inspection to be completed on this vehicle. **Carried**

R2015-260

Jeff McLaren – Kelly Elik:

The Council for the Township of Strong have received the Application from Brian and Karen Johnstone for a Zoning By-law Amendment for property located at 996 Highway 124, Strong Township;

And that the Council authorize the Clerk/Treasurer to proceed with the application process. **Carried**

R2015-261

Jeff McLaren – Les Blackwell:

The Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed the Resolution presented by the Municipality of Greenstone - Bill 100 Supporting the Ontario Trails;

And that Council supports the efforts to:

- increase awareness and use of trails within Ontario;
- enhance trails and the trail experience
- protect trails for all generations
- recognize the contribution that trails make to the quality of life in Ontario.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Strong supports the overall direction Bill 100 Supporting the Ontario Trails Act. **Carried**

R2015-262

Les Blackwell – Kelly Elik:

The Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed By-law 2015-024 being a by-law to regulate the use of Off-Road Vehicles within the Township of Strong;

And that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby adopt the by-law as presented and authorize the Clerk/Treasurer and the Mayor to sign this by-law and affix the Seal of the Corporation thereto. **Carried**

R2015-263

Jeff McLaren – Kelly Elik:

The Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed By-law 2015-025 being a by-law to confirm the proceeding of Council from July 1, 2015 to September 30, 2015;

And that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby adopt the by-law as presented and authorize the Clerk/Treasurer and the Mayor to sign this by-law and affix the Seal of the Corporation thereto. **Carried**

R2015-

The Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed By-law 2015-026 being a by-law to set the rate of speed on all municipal highways;

And that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby adopt the by-law as presented and authorize the Clerk/Treasurer and the Mayor to sign this by-law and affix the Seal of the Corporation thereto. **Carried**

Provided 1st and 2nd Reading and Deferred to October 27, 2015.

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R2015-264

Les Blackwell – Kelly Elik:

The Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed the 2015-2016 Ontarians with Disabilities Act Accessibility Plan for the Corporation of the Township of Strong.

And that Council accepts this plan as presented.

Carried

R2015-265

Jeff McLaren – Kelly Elik:

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) Security of property of the municipality or local board at 7:00 p.m.

Carried

The Council for the Township of Strong resumed the regular meeting of Council at 7:40 pm. The Mayor reported that Council discussed the matters it was permitted to under the resolution authorizing the public exclusion

R2015-266

Kelly Elik – Les Blackwell:

The Council for the Township of Strong hereby adjourn the regular meeting at 8:52 p.m. until the next regular meeting scheduled on October 27, 2015.

Carried

Mayor, Christine Ellis

Clerk/Treasurer, Linda Maurer