

**TOWNSHIP OF STRONG
COUNCIL MEETING
AT 5:30 P.M.
ON MARCH 27, 2018
IN
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

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

Staff Present: Randy McLaren, Public Works Supervisor (left at 6:25 PM)

Absent: Mayor Christine Ellis, with regrets.

Guests in the Audience: Andy Forsayeth, Brenden Adams, third member of Firefighter Association not signed in.

1.0 Meeting Declared Open at 5:30PM by Deputy Mayor

2.0 Pecuniary Interest Declared: None

3.0 Adoption of Agenda

R2018-071

Moved by: Jason Cottrell Seconded by: Jeff McLaren

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong approve the March 27, 2018 meeting agenda as amended: delegate correction, all Item 6, remove by-law to establish Compliance Audit Committee (defer to April 10), Item 8.3.

Carried

4.0 Adoption of Minutes

R2018-072

Moved by: Jeff McLaren Seconded by: Les Blackwell

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong adopt the Minutes of the March 13, 2018 meeting as circulated.

Carried

5.0 Delegation:

5.1 Colin Martens, Sundridge Strong Firefighter Association –

Mr. Martens read a report which was submitted to Council at the meeting. Councillor Blackwell asked Mr. Martens to provide figures on recruitment patterns from the last few years to current. Mr. Martens and the guests in the audience left at 5:45PM.

9.0 Staff Reports – Council unanimously agreed to move Item 9 up on the agenda to hear from Mr. McLaren.

9.1 Randy McLaren, Public Works Superintendent

Mr. McLaren reviewed his submitted report. Council was in support of trying speed bumps at the Lake Bernard Park Beach site this summer as a trial. Mr. McLaren and the Deputy Clerk participated in a webinar for a phone/tablet based tracking system for the department. There could be a cost saving to partner with neighbouring municipalities. Council asked Mr. McLaren to look into options for the gate system at Landfill #1. Mr. McLaren is putting quotes together for a ditching bucket and will get the figure to the Treasurer.

9.2 Patricia Allen, Treasurer – Preliminary Budget Review

Council reviewed the submitted preliminary budget document prepared by Ms. Allen. The Clerk advised Ms. Allen is still waiting on approval of a few shared service budgets but is planning to hold the Budget Public Meeting at the regular meeting on May 29th.

6.0 Comments/Communications/Correspondence

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- 6.1 **DSSAB – Member Honorarium & Expense Report:** received
- 6.2 **Almaguin Adult Learning Centre – Thank You:** received
- 6.3 **Ministry of Senior Affairs – Senior of the Year Nominations:** received
- 6.4 **Ministry of Municipal Affairs – Proposed Exemptions from Approval (Official Plan Amendments):** received
- 6.5 **Mayor Aitchison, Town of Huntsville, Conference Call Notes – Area Representatives and Minister of Health & Long Term Care re: Area Hospitals:** draft motion tabled by Town of Huntsville at their March 26, 2018 meeting. Clerk will provide an update when available.

7.0 Report of Committees

7.1 Joint Building Committee – March 15, 2018

7.1.1 Proposed Budget

R2018-073

Moved by: Jason Cottrell Seconded by: Jeff McLaren

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed the Joint Building Committee 2018 Budget in the amount of \$219,484.11 with the Township of Strong's share being \$16,081.50.

And that the Township of Strong accept this budget as presented.

Carried

7.1.2 Permit Fee Increase for 2019/2020

R2018-074

Moved by: Les Blackwell Seconded by: Jeff McLaren

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed resolution #2018-011 and attached Schedule "B" from the Joint Building Committee which recommends increasing the Building Permit Fees, effective date being January 1, 2019 and January 1, 2020.

And that Council for the Township of Strong hereby accept this recommendation as presented.

Carried

7.2 CAEDA - March 19, 2018

7.2.1 Proposed Budget

R2018-075

Moved by: Jason Cottrell Seconded by: Jeff McLaren

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed the Central Almaguin Economic Development Association 2018 Budget in the amount of \$97,110.00 with the Township of Strong's share being \$6,491.00 plus \$500.00 membership fee.

And that the Township of Strong accept this budget as presented.

Carried

7.3 Sundridge Strong Fire Department Comm. Special Meeting – March 19, 2018

7.3.1 Personnel Matter

Sundridge Strong Fire Board Committee Resolution 2018-017 was reviewed. Council deferred a decision on the matter as they are attending the Village of Sundridge regular meeting on March 28th at 6:00PM to discuss further.

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- 7.4 Sundridge & District Medical Centre Committee – March 20, 2018**
No action items received by deadline.

8.0 Discussion Items

**8.1 Landfill #2 Employment Contract 2018/2019
R2018-076**

Moved by: Jason Cottrell Seconded by: Jeff McLaren

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed the Contract with 719406 Ontario Incorporated for the May 1, 2018 to April 30, 2019 term for services at Landfill Site # 2, In the amount of \$ 27,414.06 plus HST.

And that Council for the Township of Strong hereby authorize the Deputy Mayor and Clerk Administrator to sign this Contract and affix the Seal of the Corporation thereto.

Carried

**8.2 Shore Road Purchase Application
R2018-077**

Moved by: Les Blackwell Seconded by: Jeff McLaren

The Council for the Township of Strong receive the application as presented by Michael and Kathy Jaeger to purchase the shore road allowance property located at 76 Elizabeth Street;

And that Council support this application in principal and authorize the Clerk Administrator to proceed with the sale of the shore road allowance.

Carried

**8.3 AMO Main Street Revitalization Funding
R2018-078**

Moved by: Jason Cottrell Seconded by: Les Blackwell

The Council for the Township of Strong have read By-law 2018-015 being a by-law to enter into an agreement with AMO in order to participate in Ontario's Main Streets Revitalization Initiative;

And that Council for the Township of Strong hereby authorize the Deputy Mayor and Clerk Administrator to sign this by-law and affix the Seal of the Corporation thereto.

Carried

10.0 Council Member Reports

Councillor Elik asked if Council would consider waiving Tarrif of Fee By-Law 2014-018 for Landfill #1 for the Bikers Battling Cancer Pork Fest event on Canada Day weekend. It will be listed as an In-Kind contribution by the Township. Council was in agreement and asked the Clerk to advise the Public Works Supervisor.

11.0 By-laws

11.1 By-law 2018-015, as per Item 8.3

12.0 Public Meeting/Notice

None

13.0 Closed Session

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- 13.1 Section 239 (2)(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; re: Administration, and Fire Board.**

R2018-079

Moved by: Jason Cottrell Seconded by: Les Blackwell

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong enter into a Closed Session of Council as per the Municipal Act, C. 25, S.O. 2001 as amended, Section 239 (2)(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; re: Administration, and Fire Board, at 7:30 p.m.

Carried

The Council for the Township of Strong resumed the regular meeting of Council at 8:10 p.m. The Deputy Mayor reported that Council discussed the matters it was permitted to under the resolution authorizing the public exclusion.

14.0 Adjournment

R2018-080

Moved by: Jeff McLaren Seconded by: Jason Cottrell

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby adjourn the regular meeting at 8:11 p.m. until the next regular meeting scheduled on April 10, 2018.

Carried

Deputy Mayor, Kelly Elik

Clerk Administrator, Caitlin Haggart