

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STRONG
BY-LAW 2018-023**

BEING a By-law requiring an Emergency Management Program for the Protection of Public Safety, Health, the Environment, the Critical Infrastructure and Property, and to Promote Economic Stability and a Disaster-resilient Community

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has passed the *Emergency Management Act* which requires the development and implementation of an Emergency Management Program by the Council of a municipality;

AND WHEREAS the Act requires the Emergency Management Program to conform to standards promulgated by Emergency Management Ontario in accordance with international best practices, including the four core components of emergency management, namely: mitigation/prevention, preparedness, response and recovery; and also makes provision for the municipality and council to develop and implement an emergency management program to protect public safety, public health, the environment, the critical infrastructure and property, and to promote economic stability and a disaster-resilient community;

AND WHEREAS this Act makes provision for the Head of Council to declare that an Emergency exists in the community or in any part thereof, and also provides the Head of Council with authority to take such action or make such orders as he/she considers necessary and not contrary to law, to implement the emergency response plan and respond to an emergency;

AND WHEREAS the Act provides for the designation of one or more members of council who may exercise the powers and perform the duties of the Head of Council during his/her absence or his/her inability to act;

AND WHEREAS the Act authorizes employees of a community to respond to an emergency in accordance with the emergency response plan where an emergency exists but has not yet been declared to exist;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STRONG DOES HEREBY ENACT:

1. That an Emergency Management Program be developed and implemented in accordance with the standards published by Emergency Management Ontario in accordance with international best practices;
2. That the Head of Council – Mayor or designated alternate, as provided in the Plan, be empowered to declare an emergency and implement the emergency response plan;
3. That certain appointed officials or their designated alternates, as provided in the approved community emergency response plan are empowered to cause an emergency notification to be issued to members of the Community Control Group, and to respond to an emergency in accordance with the emergency response plan where an emergency exists but has not yet been declared to exist;
4. The Emergency Management Committee will consist of the following appointed individuals; Clerk, Treasurer, CEMC, Alternate CEMC, Public Works Supervisor, Equipment Operator, and Fire Chief;
5. That Council shall appoint one of the members of the Committee to be the Chair of the Committee at the beginning of each term of council;
6. That the Emergency Management Program Committee will cause the emergency management program to be reviewed annually and to recommend changes to the program as considered appropriate and refer recommendations to Council for further review and approval; and
7. That the Emergency Response Plan attached hereto as Schedule “A” of this by-law is hereby adopted.
8. That by-law 2017-027 is hereby repealed.

READ A FIRST AND SECOND TIME THIS 24th DAY OF JULY 2018

READ A THIRD AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 24th DAY OF JULY 2018

CERTIFIED to be a true copy
of By-Law #2018-023 enacted
in open council this 24th day of
July, 2018.

Mayor Christine Ellis

Clerk Administrator Caitlin Haggart

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