

**TOWNSHIP OF STRONG
COUNCIL MEETING
ON OCTOBER 12, 2021
AT 5:30 P.M.
PUBLIC MEETING AT 7:00 P.M. – SHORE ROAD ALLOWANCE SALE AND
ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT**

NOTICE: Due to physical distancing requirements, limited members of the public are permitted to attend Council meetings in person at this time. Please pre-register with the Clerk Administrator. Zoom Link to attend the virtual meeting is available on the website at <https://calendar.strongtownship.com/meetings>.

Council Members Present: Mayor Kelly Elik (in person), Councillors Jody Baillie (in person), Jason Cottrell (electronic – connected at 6:02PM), Jeff McLaren (in person), Marianne Stickland (in person).

Staff Present: Chris Fraser, MLEO (in person – 5:40PM – 6:47PM)

Guest(s) Present Virtually: Les Blackwell (5:30PM – 7:32PM)

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

2.0 Pecuniary Interest Declared

The following declaration was received by the Clerk Administrator:
I, Jody Baillie, declare a pecuniary interest in item 11.2 and 12.3 on the October 12, 2021 Council agenda. I am making this declaration because: related to the applicant. I confirm that I will not take part in discussion on any question in respect to the matter, and I will not attempt in any way whether before, during or after the meeting to influence the voting on any such question.

3.0 Adoption of Agenda

R2021-311

Moved by: Marianne Stickland

Seconded by: Jody Baillie

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong approve the October 12, 2021 meeting agenda as amended:

Add item 8.9 – Approve Grader Rental [R]

Carried

4.0 Adoption of Minutes

4.1 R2021-312

Moved by: Jody Baillie

Seconded by: Marianne Stickland

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong adopt the Minutes of the September 28, 2021 regular meeting, as circulated.

Carried

4.2 Business Arising from Minutes

4.2.1 Township of Strong 2020 Audit – Legal Confirmation Letter

R2021-313

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Moved By: Jeff McLaren

Seconded by: Marianne Stickland

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby have reviewed correspondence from Judy Kleinhuis, Grant Thornton LLP, that Note 13 of the consolidated Financial Statements for the Township has been amended after receipt of the legal audit letter dated October 4, 2021.

Carried

5.0 Delegation

None

6.0 Comments/Communications/Correspondence

6.1 AMO Policy Update – Increased Staffing in LTC and Red Tape Reduction Bill

Received

6.2 Kristen Corrigan, Director of Conservation and Source Protection Branch, MOE – New Regulations under Conservation Authorities Act

Received

6.3 Phil Whitton, Superintendent Commander – Municipal Policing Bureau OPP – 2022 Annual Billing Statement

Received

7.0 Report of Committees

7.1 Central Almaguin Planning Board – September 15

Received

7.2 Sundridge-Strong District Union Public Library Board – September 23

Received

7.3 Almaguin Community Economic Development Committee – September 27

Received

7.4 Almaguin Highlands Health Centre Council – October 1

Received

7.5 MAHC Teleconference with Political Leaders – October 1

Received

7.6 SSJ Arena Committee – October 6

Received

8.0 Discussion Items

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8.1 Operations Update – COVID-19

The Clerk Administrator provided a verbal update on open by appointment and vaccine passport mandate.

8.1.1 Dr. Jim Chirico, NBPSDHU Medical Officer of Health – Public Health Instructions for Owners Where Organized Are Played and/or Practiced Indoors

Received. The information was forwarded to arena staff and committee when received.

**8.2 Application for Severance – Con 11 Lot 14 (588 Adams Road)
R2021-314**

Moved By: Jeff McLaren Seconded by: Jason Cottrell

Whereas The Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed the pre consultation application as presented to sever 8 hectares of lands (182m frontage) described legally as Lot 14, Concession 11, known as 588

Adams Road in the Township of Strong; and

That Council supports this application as presented provided the usual conditions are met.

Carried

8.3 Cleaning Contract – Township of Strong Administration and Public Works

R2021-315

Moved By: Jody Baillie Seconded by: Jason Cottrell

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby accept the termination of contract from Danika Hammond dated October 4, 2021; and that

Staff be directed to post the Office Cleaning Contract position RFP.

Carried

8.4 Berridale Cemetery – Tree Removal

R2021-316

Moved By: Jeff McLaren Seconded by: Marianne Stickland

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby approve Tim or Tom Bryson to complete an assessment of the tree from Berriedale Cemetery before consideration of removal.

Carried

8.5 Landfill #1 – Survey of Ground Water Monitors

R2021-317

Moved By: Marianne Stickland Seconded by: Jody Baillie

Be it resolved that Council for the Township of Strong have received correspondence from Brian Hachkowski, Integrated Earth Environmental,

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and hereby approve a survey of the Landfill #1 ground water monitors at a cost not to exceed \$5,000.00, unless approved by Council.

Carried

8.6 Health Communities Initiative Fund Update

The Clerk Administrator advised the funding application was not approved.

**8.7 Canada Community Revitalization Fund – Prepare Lands
R2021-318**

Moved By: Jason Cottrell Seconded by: Marianne Stickland

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong have hereby received an update from the Treasurer on the Canada Community Revitalization Fund application; and

Hereby direct staff to begin the planning applications required to prepare the lands for development.

Carried

**8.8 Royal Canadian Legion – Military Service Recognition Book
Advertisement
R2021-319**

Moved By: Marianne Stickland Seconded by: Jody Baillie

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby approve the placement of an ad (1/10 colour business card) in the Royal Canadian Legion “Military Service Recognition Book” at a cost of \$300.88 + HST.

Carried

**8.9 Approve Grader Rental
R2021-320**

Moved By: Marianne Stickland Seconded by: Jeff McLaren

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby approve a rental of a grader from Jade Equipment for 30 days, at a cost of \$6500 + HST, + delivery.

Carried

9.0 Staff Reports

**9.1 Brian Dumas, CBO – September 2021 Permit Report
Received**

**9.2 Chris Fraser, MLEO – Lifetime Dog Tags
R2021-321**

Moved By: Marianne Stickland Seconded by: Jody Baillie

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong have hereby read and received the staff report dated October 8, 2021 from Chris Fraser, MLEO, regarding Life-time Dog Tags; and that

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Staff be directed to prepare amendments to Dog By-law and Fee By-law, for approval.

Carried

10.0 Council Member Reports

None

11.0 Public Meeting/Notice

R2021-322

Moved By: Jody Baillie

Seconded by: Jeff McLaren

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong close the regular meeting of Council to declare an Open Public Meeting to discuss a Shore Road Allowance Sale and Zoning By-law Amendment; at 7:00 p.m.

Carried

Guests Present Virtually: Don Norman (6:54PM – 7:14PM), Steve Rawn (6:57PM – 7:15PM), Kim Cousins (7:02PM – 7:12PM)

11.1 Shore Road Allowance Sale – 1488A South Lake Bernard Road

The Mayor opened the meeting pursuant to the Sale of Land By-law 2011-010. The Clerk Administrator provided the method of notice of which the meeting was given and confirmed that no written comments were received with respect to the closure of the shore road allowance abutting 1488A South Lake Bernard Road.

The applicant had to comments or closing remarks.

Council raised no questions on the application.

The Mayor closed this portion of the public meeting at 7:03pm and moved to the next file.

11.2 Zoning By-law Amendment – 772 South Lake Bernard Road

The Mayor opened the meeting pursuant to Section 34 of the Planning Act. The Clerk Administrator provided the method of notice of which the meeting was given and confirmed that zero written comments were received and there was zero request for a verbal submission at the meeting.

The purpose of the proposed zoning amendment is to rezone the subject lands from the Limited Service Residential (LSR) Zone to a Limited Service Residential Exception (LSR-6) Zone to allow the construction of a

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detached garage with a floor area of 74 m² (796 ft²) within the required 30 m setback from shoreline Type 1 Fish Habitat. The garage is proposed to have a setback of 21 metres.

Mr. Rawn provided a brief overview of the property and proposed amendment.

Ms. Cousins asked about lot size, concern the garage would be used for accommodation and concern about setbacks. The Clerk Administrator provided detail from the proposed by-law which addressed these concerns.

No questions were raised by Council.

R2021-323

Moved By: Jason Cottrell

Seconded by: Marianne Stickland

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong Close the Public meeting of Council and resume the regular meeting of Council at 7:13 p.m.

Carried

12.0 By-Laws

12.1 By-law 2021-032 Agreement for Partnership with Muskoka and Area Ontario Health Team

R2021-324

Moved By: Marianne Stickland

Seconded by: Jeff McLaren

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed By-Law 2021-032 being a by-law to enter into an Agreement between the Sundridge and Rural Northern Physician Group, Terra Watkins, Nurse Practitioner, The Corporation of the Township of Strong, The Corporation of the Township of Joly, and the Village of Sundridge ('the Partnership') and the Muskoka and Area Ontario Health Team;

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

Carried

12.2 By-law 2021-033 Stop up, Close and Sell Shore Road Allowance (1488A South Lake Bernard Rd)

R2021-325

Moved By: Jeff McLaren

Seconded by: Jody Baillie

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed By-Law 2021-033 being a by-law to Stop up, Close and Convey to

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adjoining Owners Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance fronting their property (Con 4, Pt Lot 22, and part of E ½ Lot 8 and Lot 7 of Registered Plan M-56);

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

Carried

12.3 By-law 2021-034 Zoning By-law Amendment (772 South Lake Bernard Rd)

R2021-326

Moved By: Jason Cottrell Seconded by: Jeff McLaren

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed By-Law 2021-034 being a by-law to amend By-law No. 2014-19 as amended, the Zoning By-law for the Township of Strong with respect to lands described legally as Parts 3, 4, 5, and 6, Plan 42R-15383, located in Part Lot 16, Concession 3 in the Township of Strong, District of Parry Sound.;

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

Carried

12.4 By-Law 2021-035 Zoning By-law Amendment (4 Elizabeth St)

R2021-327

Moved By: Marianne Stickland Seconded by: Jeff McLaren

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed By-Law 2021-035 being a by-law to amend By-law No. 2014-19 as amended, the Zoning By-law for the Township of Strong with respect to lands legally described as Lot 4, Parcel 9083, Plan M-111, in Part of Lot 4, Concession 7, in the Township of Strong, District of Parry Sound.

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

Carried

12.5 By-Law 2021-036 Enter into Site Plan Agreement (4 Elizabeth St)

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Moved By: Jeff McLaren Seconded by: Jody Baillie

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Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed By-Law 2021-036 being a by-law to Enter into a Site Plan Agreement with respect to lands legally described as Lot 4, Parcel 9083, Plan M-111, in Part of Lot 4, Concession 7, 4 Elizabeth Street;

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

Carried

**12.6 By-law 2021-037 Confirm Proceedings of Council
R2021-329**

Moved By: Jason Cottrell Seconded by: Jeff McLaren

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed By-Law 2021-037 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meetings held between May 1, 2021 to September 28, 2021

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

Carried

13.0 Closed Session

R2021-330

Moved By: Marianne Stickland Seconded by: Jeff McLaren

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)(d) labour relations or employee negotiations; Staffing Matters; at 7:32 p.m.

Carried

The Council for the Township of Strong resumed the regular meeting of Council at 7:39 p.m. The Mayor reported that Council discussed the matters it was permitted to under the resolution authorizing the public exclusion.

14.0 Adjournment

R2021-331

Moved by: Jody Baillie Seconded by: Marianne Stickland

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby adjourn the regular meeting at 7:40 p.m. until the special meeting scheduled on October 14, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

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Clerk Administrator, Caitlin Haggart