

**TOWNSHIP OF STRONG  
SPECIAL TRI-COUNCIL MEETING  
ON JANUARY 30, 2023  
AT 6:00 P.M.  
IN TOWNSHIP OF STRONG COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**NOTICE:** Zoom Link to attend the virtual meeting is available on the website at <https://calendar.strongtownship.com/meetings>.

The Township of Joly was the host municipality and the Council for the Corporation of The Township of Strong and the Village of Sundridge participated via hybrid of electronic platform and in the Township of Strong Council Chambers.

**Strong Council Members Present:** Mayor Tim Bryson (in person), Councillors; Jeff McLaren (in person), Kevin Noaik (in person), Jim Ronholm (in person), Marianne Stickland (in person)

**Sundridge Council Members Present:** Mayor Justine Leveque (in person), Councillors Shawn Jackson (virtually), Sharon Smith (in person), Fraser Williamson (in person).

**Sundridge Council Members Absent:** Councillor Jim MacLachlan

**Joly Council Members Present:** Mayor Brian McCabe (in person), Councillors Budd Brown (in person), Tom Bryson (in person) and Chris Nicholson (in person).

**Joly Council Members Absent:** Councillor Bill Black

**Staff Present:** Township of Strong Deputy Clerk, Kim Dunnett (in person), Village of Sundridge Clerk Administrator, Nancy Austin (in person), Township of Joly Deputy Clerk Katey Brimacombe (in person). Fire Chief Andrew Torrance (Left meeting at approximately 6:00PM for Emergency Call-Out)

**Guest(s) Present (in person):** MAHC Board Chair Moreen Miller, MAHC Board Vice Chair Dave Uffelmann, MAHC President & CEO Cheryl Harrison, South River Clerk Administrator Don McArthur, South River Machar Fire Chief Risto Maki.

**Tri-Council Meeting Declared Open at 6:00 PM by Mayor Brian McCabe**

**1.0 Adoption of Agenda**

**R2023-049**

**Moved by: Jeff McLaren**

**Seconded by: Kevin Noaik**

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong approve the January 30, 2023 Tri-Council meeting agenda, as amended to include 4.5 Minimum Building Sizes.

**Carried**

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**2.0 Pecuniary Interest Declared**

None

**3.0 Delegation**

- 3.1** MAHC Board Chair to present information to Councils on two new builds Q&As to follow.

**R2023-050**

**Moved By: Marianne Stickland Seconded by: Jeff McLaren**

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby accept the presentation by MAHC with thanks.

**Carried**

The MAHC presentation commenced at approximately 6:11 p.m. Due to technical difficulties, Mayor Justine Leveque asked the Chair, Mayor Brian McCabe, for a brief recess to allow Sundridge Council and meeting participants the opportunity to join the Township of Joly and the Township of Strong in the Township of Strong's Council Chambers to participate in person for the remainder of the presentation and meeting agenda.

A brief recess was called at 6:38 p.m. and the meeting reconvened at approximately 6:48 p.m.

- 3.2 Emergency Management Planning -** Fire Chief Risto Maki, Fire Chief Andrew Torrance, Clerk Administrator Nancy Austin for discussion

**R2023-051**

**Moved By: Marianne Stickland Seconded by: Jim Ronholm**

THAT Staff Report dated January 30, 2023 regarding Emergency Planning Committee be received;

AND THAT the Council of the Township of Strong acknowledge that a shared Municipal Emergency Management Program Coordinator and Emergency Management Program will collectively improve emergency management capabilities;

AND THAT the Township of Strong commit to a shared Emergency Management Program, including a primary Municipal Emergency Management Program Coordinator;

AND THAT the Clerk be authorized to assist in developing the parameters of a shared program with Fire Chiefs Risto Maki and Andrew Torrance to prepare a report for participating municipalities approval.

**Carried**

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**4.0 New Business/Follow-up Items**

**4.1 Amalgamation - Restructuring Committee Meeting Frequency and Schedule**

**R2023-052**

**Moved By: Jim Ronholm                      Seconded by: Kevin Noaik**

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby set meeting frequencies for meetings as follows: second Monday 6PM at Bi-monthly starting March 13, 2023.

**Carried**

**R2023-053**

**Moved By: Jim Ronholm                      Seconded by: Jeff McLaren**

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby adopt the SSJ Restructuring Terms of Reference.

**Carried**

**4.2 SSJ Environmental Stewardship Committee**

Council deferred both motions until the next Tri-Council meeting. The SSJ Environmental Stewardship Committee terms of reference will be updated by Councillor Marianne Stickland with respect to more current information, scope and parameters of the committee in preparation of the next Tri-Council meeting.

**R2023-**

**Moved By:    Seconded by:**

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby adopt the SSJ Environmental Stewardship Terms of Reference.

**R2023-**

**Moved By:    Seconded by:**

Be it resolved that they Council for the Township of Strong hereby discuss the administration for the SSJ Environmental Stewardship Committee; and

**4.3 Hazmat Day Councillor Volunteers**

Hazmat Days are scheduled for May 27th, 2023 and August 26th, 2023 at the Township of Strong's landfill and volunteers are needed.

**R2023-054**

**Moved By: Marianne Stickland    Seconded by: Jeff McLaren**

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong discuss the 2023 Hazmat Day Volunteers.

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**Carried**

**4.4 Phragmites Removal Support  
R2023-055**

**Moved By: Jeff McLaren**

**Seconded by: Kevin Noaik**

Whereas the Council for the Township of Strong hereby support the work that the Phragmites Working Group is doing to improve quality of our fresh lake water in Lake Bernard; and

Therefore be it resolved the Council for the Township of Strong hereby agree to provide an "In Kind" contribution of providing Public Works Staff and vehicle as required, no more than once weekly, from June 1 to September 30, to pick up the cut and covered Phragmites on cutting days and to transport to Landfill #1 for disposal by burning; and further

That the Council for the Township of Strong direct the Clerk Administrator to send a letter of permission to the Phragmites Working Group to remove phragmites on municipal property during optimal periods for 2023.

**Carried**

**4.0 Adjournment  
R2023-056**

**Moved by: Jim Ronholm**

**Seconded by: Kevin Noaik**

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby adjourn the Tri-Council special meeting at 8:25 p.m. until the special meeting scheduled on February 7, 2023 at 9:00 a.m., or at the call of the Mayor.

**Carried**

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**Mayor, Tim Bryson**

**Deputy Clerk, Kim Dunnett**