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

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

Staff Present (virtually): Lois O'Neill-Jackson, Acting Clerk

Staff Present (in person): Kim Dunnett, Deputy Clerk; Nick Thomson, Municipal Operations Coordinator; Derek Hnatiuk, Interim Finance Manager (Treasurer)

Guests Present (in person): Arnold Hall, Vicki Whitmell, Danielle Marr

Guests Present (virtually): Deb (7:12 pm)

1.0 Meeting Declared Open at 5:30 PM by Mayor Tim Bryson R2023-269

Moved By: Jeff McLarenSeconded by: Kevin NoaikBe it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby appoints LoisO'Neill-Jackson of VS Municipal Solutions, as the Acting Clerk for this June 26,2023 Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

2.0 Pecuniary Interest Declared

Marianne Stickland declared a conflict with item 1.0 as her grandson is an employee of VS Solutions, a division of VS Municipal Solutions. She did not participate in the discussion or vote on the matter.

3.0 Adoption of Agenda

R2023-270

Moved by: Marianne Stickland Seconded by: Kevin Noaik

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong approve the June 27, 2023 regular meeting agenda, as circulated.

Carried

4.0 Adoption of Minutes

4.1 R2023-271

- 4.2 Moved by: Jim Ronholm Seconded by: Jeff McLaren Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong adopt the Minutes of the June 13, 2023 regular meeting, as circulated; and the Minutes of the June 23, 2023 special meeting, as circulated. Carried
- **4.3 Business Arising from Minutes** None.

5.0 Delegation

5.1 Arnold Hall – Strong Cemetery R2023-272 Moved By: Kevin Noaik Seconded by: Jim Ronholm Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby receive the delegation from Arnold Hall regarding Strong Cemetery, with thanks. Carried

The members of the public left. at 5:45 p.m.

6.0 Comments/Communications/Correspondence

6.1 Sundridge Horticultural Society – Donation of Trees for Legion Park R2023-273

Moved By: Jim RonholmSeconded by: Marianne SticklandBe it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby accept a
donation of two trees to be planted at Legion Park; and
Hereby direct staff to communicate location of tree preference and to
arrange utility locates prior to planting.Carried

6.2 Comment Form – June 13 – 20 Received.

7.0 Report of Committees

7.1 Sundridge & District Medical Centre Committee – June 20

7.1.1 Approve 2023 Proposed Medical Centre Budget R2023-274

Moved By: Marianne Stickland Seconded by: Jeff McLaren Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed the Sundridge & District Medical Centre Proposed Budget for 2023 in the amount of \$320,895.00 with the Township's share being \$77,809.00;

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

8.0 Discussion Items

8.1 Award Tender 2023-01 Gravel Applications R2023-275

Moved By: Marianne Stickland Seconded by: Jeff McLaren

The Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed the submissions for Tender 2023-01 Gravel Applications;

And that Council for the Township of Strong hereby accept the tender from Fowler Construction in the amount of \$585,862.10 plus HST. **Carried**

8.2 Award Tender 2023-02 Micro Surfacing

R2023-276

Moved By: Jeff McLaren Seconded by: Jim Ronholm

The Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed the submissions for Tender 2023-02 Micro Surface Treatment;

And that Council for the Township of Strong hereby accept the tender from Duncor Enterprises Inc. in the amount of \$352,136.40 plus HST. **Carried**

8.3 Award Tender 2023-03 Ditching R2023-277

Moved By: Kevin Noaik Seconded by: Jeff McLaren

The Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed the submissions for Tender 2023-03 Ditching;

And that Council for the Township of Strong hereby accept the tender from First Choice Landscaping in the amount of \$129,392.34 plus HST. **Carried**

8.4 Award RFP 2023-01 550 4x4 Truck R2023-278

Moved By: Kevin Noaik Seconded by: Jim Ronholm

The Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed the submissions for RFP 2023-01 550 4x4 Truck;

And that Council for the Township of Strong hereby accept the RFP from Mac Lang Sundridge in the amount of \$139,938.00 plus HST. **Carried**

8.5 Award RFP 2023-02 Motor Grader R2023-279

Moved By: Kevin Noaik Seconded by: Marianne Stickland

The Council for the Township of Strong have reviewed the submissions for RFP 2023-02 Motor Grader;

And that Council for the Township of Strong hereby accept the RFP from Brandt Tractor in the amount of \$548,000.00 plus HST. **Carried**

8.6 Public Works Reclaimed Asphalt – request from Sundridge-Strong Fire Department

R2023-280

Moved By: Kevin Noaik Seconded by: Jeff McLaren

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby provide an in-kind contribution of 15 tandem loads of reclaimed asphalt from the Public Works Yard for the Sundridge-Strong Fire Department; and That works and costs associated with transporting and applying the material be covered by the Fire Department. **Carried**

8.7 Phragmites Working Group – 2023 Municipal Property Request R2023-281

Moved By: Marianne Stickland Seconded by: Kevin Noaik Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby approve the Dr. Janice Gilbert spraying invasive phragmites, on behalf of the Phragmites Working Group, within the Township of Strong and on municipal property in 2023;

Specifically the West End Crownland stand and municipally owned shoreline road allowance; Sunny Ridge Rd/Albert St; and the High Rock Dam.

Carried

9.0 Staff Reports

9.1 Nick Thomson, Municipal Operations Coordinator – Landfill Hours R2023-

Moved By: Seconded by:

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby have received and read Staff Report 2023-014 regarding Landfill Hours; and Direct Staff to proceed with Option _____. Deferred.

9.2 Kim Dunnett, Deputy Clerk – Security Camera System R2023-

Moved By: Seconded by:

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby accept the quote from True Steel Security in the amount of \$12,262.00 plus HST for security camera system. **Deferred.**

10.0 Council Member Reports

None.

Council moved to item 13.0 Closed Session at 6:25 p.m.

11.0 Public Meeting/Notice

11.1 2023 Township of Strong Budget

R2023-284

Moved By: Marianne Stickland Seconded by: Jeff McLaren Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong Close the regular meeting of Council and commence the public meeting of Council at 7:00 p.m. **Carried**

There were no members of the public present either in person or virtually.

R2023-285

Seconded by: Marianne Stickland

Moved By: Jim Ronholm 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 7:01 p.m. p.m.

Carried

R2023-286

Moved By: Jim Ronholm Seconded by: Kevin Noaik

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong have received and reviewed the proposed 2023 Annual Operating and Capital Budget for the Township of Strong.

And that Council hereby adopts the proposed 2023 Budget as presented. Carried

12.0 By-Laws

12.1 By-law 2023-025 Adopt Tax Rates, Ratio and 2023 Budget R2023-287

Moved By: Kevin Noaik Seconded by: Jim Ronholm

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong have read By-Law 2023-025 being a by-law to provide for the adoption of Tax Rates, Tax Ratios and 2023 Budget;

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

Carried

13.0 Closed Session

R2023-282

Moved By: Marianne Stickland Seconded by: Kevin Noaik

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)(a) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, Municipal Road Network Committee Members; Section 239(2)(d) labour relations or employee negotiations, Public Works Staffing; and Section 239(2)(e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board; Legal Matter; at 6:25 p.m.

Carried

The Council for the Township of Strong resumed the regular meeting of Council at 6:49 p.m. The Mayor reported that Council discussed the matters they were permitted to under the resolution authorizing the public exclusion.

R2023-283

Moved By: Marianne Stickland

Seconded by: Jeff McLaren

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby appoint the following community members to the Municipal Road Network Committee for the remainder of 2022-2026 Term

- 1. Brandon Schmidt
- 2. Bill Hubbard
- 3. Jack Marshall

Carried

After a short break at 6:51 p.m. Council moved to item 11.0 Public Meeting/Notice.

14.0 Adjournment

R2023-288

Moved by: Marianne Stickland Seconded by:

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby adjourn the regular meeting at 8:14 p.m. until the regular meeting scheduled on July 11, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. or at the call of the Mayor.

Carried

Mayor, Tim Bryson

Clerk, Lois O'Neill-Jackson