

**TOWNSHIP OF STRONG
COUNCIL MEETING
ON AUGUST 8, 2023
AT 5:30 P.M.**

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

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): Derek Hnatiuk, Interim Financial Manager (Treasurer)

Guests Present (in person): Judy Kleinhuis, Grant Thornton

1.0 Meeting Declared Open at 5:30 PM by Mayor Tim Bryson
R2023-334

Moved By: Jim Ronholm Seconded by: Jeff McLaren

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby appoints Lois O'Neill-Jackson of VS Municipal Solutions, as the Acting Clerk for this August 8, 2023 Regular Council Meeting.

Carried

2.0 Pecuniary Interest Declared

None.

3.0 Adoption of Agenda
R2023-335

Moved by: Kevin Noaik Seconded by: Marianne Stickland

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong approve the August 8, 2023 regular meeting agenda, as circulated.

Carried

4.0 Adoption of Minutes

4.1 R2023-336

Moved by: Marianne Stickland Seconded by: Jeff McLaren

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong adopt the Minutes of the July 25, 2023 regular meeting, as circulated.

Carried

4.2 Business Arising from Minutes

The report on the cemetery tree removal will come forward to the next meeting.

5.0 Delegation

5.1 Judy Kleinhuis, Grant Thornton LLP – 2022 Draft Financial Statements

5.1.1 Accept 2022 Draft Financial Statements

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R2023-337

Moved By: Marianne Stickland Seconded by: Kevin Noaik

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong have hereby received and reviewed the 2022 Draft Financial Statements for the Township as presented by Grant Thornton LLP; and Hereby direct the Mayor and Clerk to sign the documents as presented.

Carried

5.1.2 Treasurer Report – 2022 Audit

R2023-338

Moved By: Kevin Noaik Seconded by: Jeff McLaren

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby receive the Treasurer Report regarding the 2022 Financial Audit.

Carried

6.0 Comments/Communications/Correspondence

**6.1 Christopher Brown, Municipal Affairs and Housing Planner –
Invitation to Address Council**

R2023-339

Moved By: Marianne Stickland Seconded by: Jim Ronholm

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby receive correspondence from Christopher Brown, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing; and

Will call a special meeting on a date as selected by the MMAH Representative Christopher Brown.

Carried

Judy Kleinhuis left the meeting.

7.0 Discussion Items

7.1 Strategic Plan for the Township of Strong

R2023-340

Moved By: Jim Ronholm Seconded by: Kevin Noaik

That the Council for the Township of Strong hereby receive Staff Report 2023-016 on the Township of Strong Strategic Plan; and
That feedback be submitted to staff by September 6, 2023.

Carried

7.2 Municipal Planning in the Township of Strong

R2023-341

Moved By: Marianne Stickland Seconded by: Jeff McLaren

That Council receive Staff Report 2023-017 regarding Municipal Planning in Strong;

And defers a decision of Council until after the special meeting with MMAH Christopher Brown.

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Carried

8.0 Adjournment

R2023-342

Moved by: Kevin Noaik

Seconded by:

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby adjourn the meeting at 7:17 p.m. until the regular meeting scheduled on August 22, 2023 at 5:30 p.m., or at the call of the Mayor.

Carried

Mayor, Tim Bryson

Clerk, Lois O'Neill-Jackson