

**TOWNSHIP OF STRONG  
SPECIAL TRI-COUNCIL MEETING  
ON FEBRUARY 29, 2025  
AT 6:00 P.M.  
SPECIAL BI COUNCIL MEETING (STRONG & SUNDRIDGE)  
AT 7:45 P.M.  
IN VILLAGE OF SUNDRIDGE COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

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

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

**Strong Council Members Present:** Mayor Tim Bryson (virtual), 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), Deputy Mayor Shawn Jackson (virtual), Councillors Jim MacLachlan (virtual), Sharon Smith (in person), Fraser Williamson (in person).

**Joly Council Members Present:** Mayor Brian McCabe (in person – arrived at 6:11PM), Councillors Bill Black (in person), Budd Brown (in person – Deputy Mayor from 6-6:11PM), Tom Bryson (in person) and Chris Nicholson (in person).

**Staff Present:** Township of Strong Clerk Administrator Caitlin Haggart (in person); Village of Sundridge Clerk Administrator, Nancy Austin (in person); Township of Joly Municipal Administrator, Jennifer Martin (in person); Township of Joly Deputy Clerk, Katey Brimacombe (in person); SSFD Fire Chief Andrew Torrance (in person)

**Guest(s) Present (in person):** None

**Guest(s) Present (virtually):** None

**Tri-Council Meeting Declared Open at 6:00 PM by Mayor Justine Leveque**

**1.0 Adoption of Agenda**

**R2024-095**

**Moved by: Jeff McLaren                      Seconded by: Kevin Noaik**

Be it resolved that the agenda for the Tri Council Meeting being held on February 29, 2024 be approved as amended to add item (5.4) Ministry Consultation re: Lake Bernard.

**Carried**

**2.0 Pecuniary Interest Declared**

None

**3.0 Delegation**

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**4.0 Presentation**

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

**5.1 Blue Box Transition Program (Strong)  
R2024-096**

**Moved By: Kevin Noaik**

**Seconded by: Jeff McLaren**

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby receive the Blue Box Transition update as presented by the Clerk Administrator for The Township of Strong.

**Carried**

**5.2 SSJ Arena Agreement (Strong)  
R2024-097**

**Moved By: Marianne Stickland** **Seconded by: Kevin Noaik**

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby receive the SSJ Arena Agreement update as provided by the administering municipality of The Township of Strong.

**Carried**

**5.3 Sundridge Strong Union Public Library Board: New Site  
R2024-098**

**Moved By: Jeff McLaren**

**Seconded by: Jim Ronholm**

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby receive the Strategic Plan for the library as provided by the Sundridge Strong Union Public Library Board.

**Carried**

**5.4 Ministry Consultation re: Lake Bernard Water Level and a Public Meeting  
R2024-099**

**Moved By: Kevin Noaik**

**Seconded by: Jeff McLaren**

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby receive the update on the Ministry Consultation regarding Lake Bernard.

**Carried**

**5.5 Next Tri-Council Meeting  
R2024-100**

**Moved By: Kevin Noaik**

**Seconded by: Marianne Stickland**

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby hereby schedule the next special Tri-Council meeting for May 30, 2024 at 6 PM. Joly to host @ Strong Council Chambers.

**Carried**

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**6.0 Adjournment**

**R2024-101**

**Moved by: Jim Ronholm**

**Seconded by: Jeff McLaren**

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby adjourn the Tri-Council special meeting at 6:30 p.m. until the regular meeting scheduled on March 26, 2024 at 5:30 p.m., or at the call of the Mayor.

**Carried**

**BI-COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING**

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

**Staff Present:** Township of Strong Clerk Administrator Caitlin Haggart (in person); Village of Sundridge Clerk Administrator, Nancy Austin (in person); SSFD Fire Chief Andrew Torrance

**Guest(s) Present (in person):** Brian McCabe, Budd Brown, Tom Bryson, Bill Black, Chris Nicholson, Jennifer Martin, Katey Brimacombe

**Guest(s) Present (virtually):** Mark Smuck, Rocco Frangione

**Bi-Council Meeting Declared Open at 7:45 PM by Mayor Justine Leveque**

**1.0 Adoption of Agenda**

**R2024-102**

**Moved by: Jim Ronholm**

**Seconded by: Jeff McLaren**

Be it resolved that the agenda for the Bi Council Meeting being held on February 29, 2024 be approved as circulated.

**Carried**

**2.0 Pecuniary Interest Declared**

None

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

**3.1 Township of Joly Resolution #2024-0019 (Level of Service: Ice/Water Rescue)  
R2024-103**

**Moved By: Kevin Noaik      Seconded by: Marianne Stickland**

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby hereby discuss the Township of Joly's resolution regarding the level of service for ice/water rescue.

**Carried**

**3.2 SSFD Fleet Replacement: Pumper Truck (approval to release RFP)  
R2024-104**

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

**THAT** the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Strong discuss the SSFD Fleet Replacement as outlined in Staff Report FC2023-003, dated December 14, 2023,

**AND THAT** the Sundridge Strong Fire Committee supported in principle to the replacement of Pumper 611,

**AND THAT** the respective Councils were to further discuss the cost and funding options for the proposed pumper replacement,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** after having discussed the cost of the replacement pumper and the funding options, the Council for the Township of Strong authorize Staff to proceed with the issuance of a Request for Proposal for the replacement of the pumper truck.

**Carried**

**3.3 Volunteer Appreciation**

**R2024-105**

**Moved by: Kevin Noaik      Seconded by: Marianne Stickland**

Be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Strong discuss Volunteer Appreciation; and  
Defer to the next regular Council meeting.

**Carried**

**4.0 Adjournment**

**R2024-106**

**Moved by: Jeff McLaren**

**Seconded by:**

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby adjourn the Bi- Council special meeting at 8:18 p.m. until the regular meeting scheduled on March 26, 2024 at 5:30 p.m., or at the call of the Mayor.

**Carried**

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**Mayor, Tim Bryson**

**Clerk Administrator, Caitlin Haggart**