

**TOWNSHIP OF STRONG  
COUNCIL MEETING  
ON OCTOBER 8, 2024  
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:** Mayor Tim Bryson. Councillors; Jeff McLaren, Kevin Noaik, Jim Ronholm and Marianne Stickland.

**Staff Present:** Derek Hnatiuk, Treasurer (left at 7:21 p.m.)

**Guests Present (virtual):** “Wendy” (5:39 p.m. to 7:21 p.m.)

**1.0 Meeting Declared Open at 5:30 PM by Mayor Tim Bryson**

**2.0 Pecuniary Interest Declared**

None

**3.0 Adoption of Agenda**

**R2024-322**

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

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong approve the October 8, 2024 meeting agenda, as amended.

Add Item 9.1.4 Updated Washout Cost [R]

**Carried**

**4.0 Adoption of Minutes**

**4.1 R2024-323**

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

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong adopt the Minutes of the September 23, 2024 Special Tri-Council meeting, as circulated; and the Minutes of the September 24, 2024 regular meeting, as circulated

**Carried**

**4.3 Business Arising from Minutes**

Council requested update on Tarriff of Fees By-law (amended date added) and Sharps Container By-law.

**5.0 Delegation**

None

**6.0 Comments/Communications/Correspondence**

**6.1 AMO Policy Update – AMO Response to BILD Report**

Received

**6.2 Carl Vandermaarl – Dump Fees**

**R2024-324**

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

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Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby receive correspondence from Carl Vandermaarl regarding Dump Fees, with thanks.

**Carried**

**6.3 Comment Form(s) – Oct 3**

Received

**7.0 Report of Committees**

**7.1 Sundridge-Strong Union Public Library Board – May 15**

Received

**7.2 SSJ Arena Committee – September 4 and October 2**

Received

**7.3 Almaguin Community Economic Development Committee –  
September 26**

Received

**8.0 Discussion Items**

**8.1 Lake Bernard Property Owners' Association – Water Testing  
Shortfall**

**R2024-325**

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

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby have received and read Staff Report 2024-052 for information purposes; and Hereby direct payment of up to \$417.00 to the Lake Bernard Property Owners' Association for the purposes of Water Testing for Lake Bernard, which represents 50% of the portion of the budget which the Township of Joly did not approve.

**Carried**

**8.2 2024 Remembrance Day Wreath**

**R2024-326**

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

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby purchase a wreath in the amount of \$65.00 for the Royal Canadian Legion BR 467 to be laid at the Remembrance Day service on November 11, 2024; and

Further that Mayor Tim Bryson attend the ceremony to lay the wreath on behalf of the Township of Strong.

**Carried**

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**9.0 Staff Reports**

**9.1 Derek Hnatiuk, Treasurer**

**9.1.1 2025 Budget Timeline**

**R2024-327**

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

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby receive Staff Report 2024 – 054 regarding the 2025 Budget Timeline.

**Carried**

**9.1.2 2025 Budget Council Questionnaire**

Council gave direction to the Treasurer to communicate with the Municipal Operations Coordinator to draft a schedule of public works projects to link to salaries and budget.

**R2024-328**

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

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby receive Staff Report 2024-055 regarding the Budget 2025 Council Questionnaire Responses for information purposes.

**Carried**

**9.1.3 Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund**

**R2024-329**

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

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby receive Staff Report 2024-056 regarding the Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund (CSRIF) Stream 1 grant update; and Hereby direct staff to apply for the directed stream 1 projects for Strong (in addition to arena application) including in order of priority:

1. Asphalt floor hub
2. Beach/Parks
  - a) S. Lk Bernard i) boat ramp ii) parking, ditching
  - b) Pool Lake parking lot
  - c) Union & Checkerboard beaches

**Carried**

**Council took 5 minute recess from 6:55 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.**

**9.1.4 Updated Washout Cost [R]**

**R2024-330**

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

Whereas fieldwork analysis has been completed by Tulloch Engineering Inc. for the washouts that occurred to Adams Road,

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Albert Street S., Clear Spring Lane and Union Street due to the high level of precipitation on June 23, 2024; and

Whereas costs originally estimated are expected to exceed the original approval by resolution R2024-267 on August 20, 2024 for \$489,229.00 + HST;

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby approve the Client Agreement with Tulloch Engineering Inc. for \$94,490.00 + HST; and their subcontract quotation from Fowler Construction for \$409,461.35 + HST; and

That a 10% contingency be approved; and Further

That costs associated be included in the claim submitted to the Municipal Disaster Recovery Assistance program through the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

**Carried**

**9.2 Caitlin Haggart, Clerk Administrator**

**9.2.1 Community Emergency Preparedness Grant  
R2024-331**

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

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby have received and read Staff Report 2024-057 for information purposes; and

Hereby direct staff to submit an application for the Community Emergency Preparedness Grant, up to \$50,000.

**Carried**

**9.2.2 Annual Compliance: Joint Emergency Exercise – Nov 1  
R2024-332**

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

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby receive Staff Report 2024-058 regarding Annual Compliance for Emergency Management; and

Hereby review the Township of Strong Draft Emergency Response Plan, and attend the November 1, 2024 annual training hosted by the Township of Strong.

**Carried**

**10.0 Council Member Reports**

Mayor Bryson gave a brief report on Lake Bernard dam management.

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**11.0 Public Meeting**

None

**12.0 By-Laws**

None

**13.0 Closed Session**

**R2024-333**

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

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)(f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose: Potential Statement of Claim re: Building Code Matter at 7:21 p.m.

**Carried**

***The Council for the Township of Strong resumed the regular meeting of Council at 7:29 p.m. The Mayor reported that Council discussed the matters they were permitted to under the resolution authorizing the public exclusion.***

**14.0 Adjournment**

**R2024-334**

**Moved by: Kevin Noaik Seconded by:**

Be it resolved that the Council for the Township of Strong hereby adjourn the regular meeting 7:30 p.m. until the regular meeting scheduled on October 22, 2024 at 5:30 p.m., or at the call of the Mayor.

**Carried**

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**Mayor, Tim Bryson**

**Kim Dunnett, Deputy Clerk**