

**SUNDRIDGE –STRONG FIRE COMMITTEE
MINUTES
THURSDAY NOVEMBER 13, 2025 at 6:00 P.M.**

PRESENT:

SUNDRIDGE: Shawn Jackson (electronically), Luke Preston
STRONG: Tim Bryson, Jim Ronholm

STAFF PRESENT: Andrew Torrance, Fire Chief
Christine Hickey, Joint Committee Recording Secretary

C1 Call to order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

C2 Approval of Agenda

Resolution #FC2025-043
Moved By: Luke Preston
Seconded By: Tim Bryson

THAT the Agenda for the November 13, 2025 regular meeting of the Sundridge-Strong Fire Committee be approved.

	Yea	Nay	Abstain
Tim Bryson	x		
Shawn Jackson	x		
Luke Preston	x		
Jim Ronholm	x		

CARRIED

C3 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest - None

The Chair welcomed the Township of Joly Council members in attendance.

C4 Delegations – None

C5 Approval of Previous Committee Minutes

a) September 11, 2025 – Regular Meeting

Resolution#FC2025-044
Moved By: Shawn Jackson
Seconded By: Tim Bryson

THAT the September 11, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes of the Sundridge-Strong Fire Committee be approved as circulated.

	Yea	Nay	Abstain
Tim Bryson	x		
Shawn Jackson	x		
Luke Preston	x		
Jim Ronholm	x		

CARRIED

b) October 9, 2025 – Special Meeting

Resolution #FC2025-045

Moved By: Luke Preston

Seconded By: Shawn Jackson

THAT the October 9, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes of the Sundridge-Strong Fire Committee be approved as circulated.

	Yea	Nay	Abstain
Tim Bryson	x		
Shawn Jackson	x		
Luke Preston	x		
Jim Ronholm	x		

CARRIED

c) October 23, 2025 – Special Meeting

Resolution #FC2025-046

Moved By: Tim Bryson

Seconded By: Shawn Jackson

THAT the October 23, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes of the Sundridge-Strong Fire Committee be approved as circulated.

	Yea	Nay	Abstain
Tim Bryson	x		
Shawn Jackson	x		
Luke Preston	x		
Jim Ronholm	x		

CARRIED

C6 Follow Up/New Business

a) Joly – Municipal Fire Protection Agreement – Discussion with Township of Joly
(Request from October 23, 2025 meeting for Township of Joly Member(s) to attend)

Township of Joly Council Members were in attendance to discuss the Municipal Fire Protection Agreement.

Resolution #FC2025-047
Moved By: Tim Bryson
Seconded By: Luke Preston

THAT the Sundridge-Strong Fire Committee discuss the Draft Fire Protection Agreement with the Township of Joly;

AND THAT the draft agreement be amended to reduce the amount of the annual fee to: 2026 - \$70,000, 2027, \$80,000, 2028, \$90,000 and 2029 - \$100,000

AND THAT a clause be added to the agreement permitting termination if the Township of Joly becomes a member of the Sundridge-Strong Fire Department

	Yea	Nay	Abstain
Tim Bryson	x		
Shawn Jackson	x		
Luke Preston	x		
Jim Ronholm	x		

CARRIED

A recess was called at 7:30 p.m., Meeting resumed at 7:37 p.m.

b) Staff Report - Fire Chief's Report

Resolution #FC2025-048
Moved By: Tim Bryson
Seconded By: Shawn Jackson

THAT Fire Chief's Report dated November 13, 2025 be received.

	Yea	Nay	Abstain
Tim Bryson	x		
Shawn Jackson	x		
Luke Preston	x		
Jim Ronholm	x		

CARRIED

c) Staff Report – 2025 Volunteer Firefighter Pension-in-Lieu

Resolution#FC2025-049
Moved By: Luke Preston
Seconded By: Tim Bryson

THAT Pension-in-Lieu for the Volunteer Firefighters be applied at:

Less than 2 Years of Service – 5% of total honourarium
2 Years of Service – to Fully Trained – 7% of total honourarium
Fully Trained – 9% of total honourarium

AND THAT as per the approved budget, the Pension-in-Lieu payments form part of the 2025 honourariums;

AND THAT a letter accompany the amount thanking the volunteer Firefighters for the service to the community and request that the amount form part of their retirement savings.

	Yea	Nay	Abstain
Tim Bryson	x		
Shawn Jackson	x		
Luke Preston	x		
Jim Ronholm	x		

CARRIED

d) 2026 Sundridge-Strong Fire Committee Meeting Dates

The motion for the 2026 meeting dates was deferred to the next meeting.

The Following motion was introduced

Resolution #FC2025-050

Moved By: Shawn Jackson

Seconded By: Tim Bryson

That the 2026 Sundridge-Strong Fire Committee Meeting Dates be deferred to the next meeting.

	Yea	Nay	Abstain
Tim Bryson	x		
Shawn Jackson	x		
Luke Preston	x		
Jim Ronholm	x		

CARRIED

C7 Closed Session – None

C8 Adjournment

Resolution#FC2025-051

Moved By: Shawn Jackson

Seconded By:

THAT we do now adjourn at 7:53 until Thursday December 11, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. or at the call of the Chair.

	Yea	Nay	Abstain
Tim Bryson	x		
Shawn Jackson	x		
Luke Preston	x		
Jim Ronholm	x		

CARRIED

Jim Ronholm, Chair

Christine Hickey, Recording Secretary