



TRI COUNCIL MINUTES

January 29 2026

6:00 P.M.

**TOWNSHIP OF STRONG COUNCIL CHAMBERS
HOSTED BY TOWNSHIP OF JOLY
28 MUNICIPAL LANE, SUNDRIIDGE**

The Township of Joly is the host municipality and The Village of Sundridge and The Township of Strong participated via in person and electronic platform in the Council Chamber at the Township of Strong's municipal office, as part of a Tri Council meeting.

For procedural reasons, this Tri Council meeting will be conducted as three separate Council meetings for the Township of Strong, the Village of Sundridge, and The Township of Joly. The Mayors or Designates for the Township of Strong, the Village of Sundridge, and The Township of Joly will Chair and convene their respective Council meetings. This format will enable agenda items to be considered and ratified prior to adjournment.

The following were in attendance:

Sundridge Council Members Present:

Mayor Shawn Jackson (electronic participation), Deputy Mayor Sharon Smith, Councillor Luke Preston, Councillor Vicki Whitmell (electronic participation), Councillor Fraser Williamson

Joly Council Members Present:

Deputy Mayor Budd Brown, Councillor Tom Bryson, Councillor Chris Nicholson, Councillor Bill Black. Absent: Mayor Brian McCabe

Strong Council Members Present:

Mayor Tim Bryson, Deputy Mayor Jim Ronholm, Councillor Jeff McLaren, Councillor Kevin Noaik. Absent: Councillor Marianne Stickland

Staff Present:

Jennifer Martin, Katey Brimacombe; The Township of Joly
Caitlin Haggart; The Township of Strong
Robyn Ferrante; The Village of Sundridge

Tri Council Meeting Declared Open at 6:00 PM by Chairperson Deputy Mayor Smith.

Mayors (of Village of Sundridge, Village of South River, Township of Strong and the Township of Joly) to present Emergency preparedness kit to winner of draw.

1. Approval of Agenda

Resolution #TRI-2026-001

Moved By: Fraser Williamson

Seconded By: Luke Preston

THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Village of Sundridge hereby amend the Agenda as presented to include Item 6: Next Tri-Council Meeting and Item 5.6: Medical Centre Facility Manager and Not for Profit.

Recorded Vote	For	Against	Abstain
Preston, Luke	x		
Whitmell, Vicki	x		
Williamson, Fraser	x		
Jackson, Shawn	x		
Smith, Sharon	x		
CARRIED			

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest or General Nature Thereof - None

3. Delegations

3.1 Muskoka Algonquin Healthcare Presentation – Providing Update

Resolution #TRI-2026-002

Moved By: Luke Preston

Seconded By: Fraser Williamson

THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Village of Sundridge hereby receive the presentation regarding Muskoka Algonquin Healthcare update presented by MAHC Board Chair Dave Uffelmann and President & CEO Cheryl Harrison with thanks.

Recorded Vote	For	Against	Abstain
Preston, Luke	x		
Whitmell, Vicki	x		
Williamson, Fraser	x		
Jackson, Shawn	x		
Smith, Sharon	x		
CARRIED			

3.2 Lake Bernard Property Owners Association – 2025 Lake Health results - Status of Watershed Protection Program – 2026 Action Items

Resolution #TRI-2026-003
Moved By: Fraser Williamson
Seconded By: Luke Preston

THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Village of Sundridge hereby receive the presentation regarding the 2025 Lake Health Testing results, and status of the Lake Bernard Watershed Source Water Protection Program and 2026 action items presented by Dale Klonicki with thanks.

AND FURTHER be it resolved Council for the corporation of the Village of Sundridge hereby approve the financial support request of \$506.00

Recorded Vote	For	Against	Abstain
Preston, Luke	x		
Whitmell, Vicki	x		
Williamson, Fraser	x		
Jackson, Shawn	x		
Smith, Sharon	x		
CARRIED			

4. Presentations - None
5. New Business/Follow-up Items [R]
 - 5.1 Tree Planting Program Update [Report from Ad Hoc]
Resolution #TRI-2026-004
Moved By: Luke Preston
Seconded by: Fraser Williamson

THAT the Council for the Village of Sundridge hereby receive the Tree Planting Program Update.

Recorded Vote	For	Against	Abstain
Preston, Luke	x		
Whitmell, Vicki	x		
Williamson, Fraser	x		
Jackson, Shawn	x		
Smith, Sharon	x		
CARRIED			

5.2 Parades on Streets of Sundridge [Township of Strong]

Resolution #TRI-2026-005
Moved By: Fraser Williamson
Seconded by: Luke Preston

THAT the Council for the Corporation of The Village of Sundridge discusses parades on the streets.

AND THAT the item be brought back to the next Tri Council meeting.

Recorded Vote	For	Against	Abstain
Preston, Luke	x		
Whitmell, Vicki	x		
Williamson, Fraser	x		
Jackson, Shawn	x		
Smith, Sharon	x		
CARRIED			

ITEM 5.3 REMOVED FROM AGENDA. Township of Strong Mayor Tim Bryson advised the group that this item was to be spoken to by Councillor Marianne Stickland who was unable to attend, the group agreed the update will be provided at the next Tri Council Meeting.

5.3 Staff Appreciation/Holiday Event Update [Township of Strong]

Moved By:
Seconded by:

THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Village of Sundridge receive the Staff Appreciation / Holiday Event update

AND THAT

5.4 Volunteer Recruitment [Village of Sundridge]

Resolution #TRI-2026-006
Moved By: Fraser Williamson
Seconded by: Luke Preston

THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Village of Sundridge hereby discuss volunteer recruitment.

AND THAT the item be placed as a standing item on the Tri Council agenda.

Recorded Vote	For	Against	Abstain

Preston, Luke	x
Whitmell, Vicki	x
Williamson, Fraser	x
Jackson, Shawn	x
Smith, Sharon	x
CARRIED	

5.5 Update on the SSJ Restructuring Committee [Village of Sundridge]

Resolution #TRI-2026-007

Moved By: Luke Preston

Seconded by: Fraser Williamson

THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Village of Sundridge receives the SSJ Restructuring Update on behalf of the SSJ Restructuring Committee.

Recorded Vote	For	Against	Abstain
Preston, Luke	x		
Whitmell, Vicki	x		
Williamson, Fraser	x		
Jackson, Shawn	x		
Smith, Sharon	x		
CARRIED			

5.6 Medical Centre Facility Manager and Not for Profit

Resolution #Tri-2026-008

Moved By: Luke Preston

Seconded By: Fraser Williamson

THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Village of Sundridge discuss the Medical Centre issues, and resolve to move forward with the Facility Maintenance Agreement

AND THAT the Village of Sundridge request a staff report from the Township of Strong regarding the 2-2-1 voting structure.

Recorded Vote	For	Against	Abstain
Preston, Luke	x		
Whitmell, Vicki	x		
Williamson, Fraser	x		
Jackson, Shawn	x		
Smith, Sharon	x		
CARRIED			

6. Next Tri-Council Meeting – May 2026 Hosted by Village of Sundridge

Resolution #TRI-2026-009

Moved By: Luke Preston

Seconded by: Fraser Williamson

THAT the next Tri-Council Meeting be scheduled on April 30, 2026 at 6:00pm, to be hosted by the Village of Sundridge.

Recorded Vote	For	Against	Abstain
Preston, Luke	x		
Whitmell, Vicki	x		
Williamson, Fraser	x		
Jackson, Shawn	x		
Smith, Sharon	x		
CARRIED			

7. Adjournment

Resolution #TRI-2026-010

Moved By: Fraser Williamson

Seconded by: Luke Preston

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for The Village of Sundridge hereby adjourn the Special Tri-Council meeting at 8:08 p.m. until the regular meeting scheduled on February 11, 2026 at 6:00 p.m., or at the call of the Mayor.

Recorded Vote	For	Against	Abstain
Preston, Luke	x		
Whitmell, Vicki	x		
Williamson, Fraser	x		
Jackson, Shawn	x		
Smith, Sharon	x		
CARRIED			

Sharon Smith, Deputy Mayor

Robyn Ferrante, Deputy Clerk