**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBALT**

**REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**

**COBALT COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**TUESDAY, September 20, 2016**

**MINUTES**

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2016 COMMENCING AT 6:30 PM.**

**PRESENT:**

**T. Sartoretto Mayor**

**S. Nielsen Councillor**

**P. Wuest Councillor**

**G. Bigelow Councillor**

**R. Schwartz Councillor**

**G. Othmer Councillor**

**M. Harrison Councillor**

**STAFF: D. Taylor, M. Anderson**

**AUDIENCE: Jim Patrick (CJTT)**

**18 members of the public**

**The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Mayor T. Sartoretto**

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

16-254

MOVED BY: R. Schwartz

SECONDED BY: M. Harrison

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The regular council meeting Agenda dated September 20, 2016 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

**DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OR PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Councillor Bigelow declared a conflict of interest with Correspondence for Council comment item – Figure Skating Club resolution 16-263.

**ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

16-255

MOVED BY: M. Harrison

SECONDED BY: R. Schwartz

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Minutes of the Regular Council meeting of September 6, 2016 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

16-256

MOVED BY: R. Schwartz

SECONDED BY: M. Harrison

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Minutes of the CCL Committee Meeting of August 16, 2016 be received.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

Mayor Sartoretto spoke with the MOE, MTO and MNR concerning the construction occurring on Hwy 11b and they are all aware of the Cobalt Water Act and are monitoring accordingly. She will ask the Water Commission to correspond with them regarding the concerns.

Mayor Sartoretto advised a meeting had occurred between Latchford, Coleman and Cobalt with respect to the Food Bank concerns and they are waiting to see what the future of the Fire Museum holds. At this time an alternate location has not been found.

**PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

None

**STAFF REPORTS**

None

**REPORTS, RESOLUTIONS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS PRESENTED BY COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

**Mayor’s Update**

Mayor Sartoretto met with the Director of Public Works and the EDO to discuss infrastructure funding options and proposals with respect to the required repairs to the Water Plant distribution system. The repair is critical and the deadline for the applications is October 21, 2016. She also stated an engineering report would be required for the larger project they are considering.

Mayor Sartoretto reminded Council to review the Procedural By-Law and Media Policy and to send their comments to her.

Mayor Sartoretto stated the Municipality requires someone to act as Emergency Co-ordinator and asked for anyone interested. Councillor Othmer agreed to take on this role.

**Finance and Public Safety**

None

**Economic Development and Tourism**

16-257

MOVED BY: P. Wuest

SECONDED BY: R. Schwartz

WHEREAS the Bunker is a military museum in need of a street presence. BE IT RESOLVED THAT permission is given to paint the outside of the museum in a camouflage style.

Councillor Bigelow F

Councillor Harrison F

Councillor Othmer A

Councillor Schwartz F

Councillor Wuest F

Councillor Nielsen A

CARRIED

Mayor Sartoretto reported she and the EDO had attended the Loop Tour presentation. The Chamber of Commerce announced they had received a grant for that a project which includes funds for developing a web page which Cobalt be invited to contribute to.

16-258

MOVED BY: P. Wuest

SECONDED BY: R. Schwartz

WHEREAS THE Bunker museum is holding a fundraising tea event on Sunday, October 2nd and does not stock culinary supplies. BE IT RESOLVED THAT cups, saucers, etc. be lent from the town hall supply for the event.

CARRIED

**Housing and Social Services**

Councillor R. Schwartz encouraged participation in the Community Swap October 1, 2016 beginning at noon as well as the Community Food Bank Drive. Donations are welcomed.

**Festivals and Recreation**

Councillor Nielsen announced that our grant for Canada 150 Celebration was successful thanks to M. Anderson our EDO and the Town has received 1000 tulip bulbs which will be planted along the downtown core and Park. She asked for the coordinated efforts of the Housing and Social Services Committee to help plant.

Councillor Neilsen announced that four Cobalt youths had made the New Liskeard Cubs roster and wished them the best of luck and that the Town is proud of their efforts.

Councillor Neilsen asked for clarification of facts on an article regarding the Arena.

**Outside Boards, Committees and Commissions**

None

**SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS**

16-259

MOVED BY: R. Schwartz

SECONDED BY: G. Othmer

BE IT RESOLVED

1) That the accounts as per Schedule No. 16-21 in the amount of $171,095.71 be approved as paid in the month of August, 2016.

2) That the accounts as per Schedule No. 16-22 in the amount of $151,598.02 be paid after receiving Council approval.

CARRIED

**CORRESPONDENCE FOR COUNCIL COMMENT**

**Library – repairs**

16-260

MOVED BY: R. Schwartz

SECONDED BY: G. Othmer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Council receives the request by the Library AND FURTHER THAT: the window be repaired and that Public Works conduct the other necessary repairs as requested.

CARRIED

**School Board – Parking By-Law Amendment**

16-261

MOVED BY: R. Schwartz

SECONDED BY: G. Othmer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Council receives the request by the School Board regarding the Parking By-Law AND FURTHER THAT a meeting will be organized with Public Works and the School to find a mutually agreeable solution.

CARRIED

**Figure Skating Club – Sound System**

16-262

MOVED BY: R. Schwartz

SECONDED BY: G. Othmer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Council receives the request by the Skating Club AND FURTHER THAT

the request be granted.

CARRIED

**Mining Museum - Cabinets**

16-263

MOVED BY: R. Schwartz

SECONDED BY: G. Othmer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Council receives the request by the Mining museum AND FURTHER THAT

the request be granted.

CARRIED

**CORRESPONDENCE FOR COUNCIL INFORMATION**

Health Unit – Councillor Othmer questioned if our representation was attending the meetings. Mayor Sartoretto will inquire. Councillor Nielsen questioned the hiring of more management when mental health workers are being laid off.

OPP – Councillor Othmer expects our costs to rise next year based on the current report.

16-264

MOVED BY: G. Othmer

SECONDED BY: R. Schwartz

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The correspondence for Council information items be noted, filed and recorded in the minutes of this meeting.

CARRIED

**BY-LAWS**

**a) By-law 2016-040: Planning Services Contract**

16-265

MOVED BY: R. Schwartz

SECONDED BY: G. Othmer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: By-Law 2016-040 being a by-law to enable the municipality to authorize a planning services contract be taken as read a third time and finally passed this 20th day of September, 2016; AND FURTHER THAT: the said by-law be signed by the Mayor and CAO AND recorded in the by-law book.

CARRIED

**ON-GOING BUSINESS**

None

**NOTICE OF MOTION**

OCIF Grant Application - As discussed under the Mayor’s report, it was agreed that we apply for funding for the critical repair and would not be pursing an application for the larger project at this time.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

16-266

MOVED BY: R. Schwartz

SECONDED BY: S. Nielsen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Council appoint the following representatives to the Emergency Planning Committee:

- Mayor

- Deputy Mayor-Deputy Fire Chief

- CAO, Clerk-Treasurer

- Public Works Director

- Fire Chief

CARRIED

16-267

MOVED BY: S. Nielsen

SECONDED BY: P.Wuest

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: George Othmer be the Emergency Co-ordinator for the Town of Cobalt.

CARRIED

**CLOSED SESSION**

16-268

MOVED BY: G. Othmer

SECONDED BY: R. Schwartz

1. BE IT RESOLVED THAT: this Regular Council Meeting proceed in Camera at 7:20 p.m. under section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended in order to address a matter pertaining to subsection:
2. ✓ (2)(b) Personal matter about an identifiable individual, including municipal employees;
3. ✓ (2)(e) Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality.

CARRIED

16-269

1. MOVED BY: R. Schwartz
2. SECONDED BY: G. Othmer
3. BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The regular meeting of Council resume at 8:11 pm.

CARRIED

**OTHER BUSINESS**

16-270

MOVED BY: S. Nielsen

SECONDED BY: R. Schwartz

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: our two departing Administrators be invited for exit interviews.

CARRIED

16-271

MOVED BY: G. Bigelow

SECONDED BY: M. Harrison

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the Town of Cobalt receive the invoice from Marc Gagnon #304153 and he be paid $400.00

CARRIED

16-272

MOVED BY: S. Nielsen

SECONDED BY: M. Harrison

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Mayor Sartoretto be appointed as the authorized representative for the Town of Cobalt for the complaint with the Ontario Human Rights Tribunal.

CARRIED

16-273

MOVED BY: R. Schwartz

SECONDED BY: S. Nielsen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the letter to the complainant be sent by Russell, Christie LLP regarding the Human Rights Tribunal and that the minutes of settlement be signed.

CARRIED

**CONFIRMATION BY-LAW**

16-274

MOVED BY: G. Othmer

SECONDED BY: R. Schwartz

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: By-law No. 2016-041, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the Town of Cobalt, be taken as read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 20th day of September 2016; AND FURTHER THAT: the said by-law be signed by the Mayor and CAO and recorded in the by-law book.

CARRIED

**ADJOURNMENT**

16-275

MOVED BY: R. Schwartz

SECONDED BY: G. Bigelow

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The meeting adjourn at 8:21 pm

Mayor

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